

2016 Members Ryder Cup Tournament



In November the members of Marbella Golf Country Club held their annual 'Ryder Cup' competition with the Ray Norris' President's Team (led by Tom Richardson)



vs Steve Cullen's Captain's Team with a total of fifty two MGCC members participating. The two day event saw the President's team triumph by 15.5pts to 11.5 pts

CAPTAIN'S DAY



TURKEY TROT

Our annual Turkey Trot competition was held on Friday the December 9th with almost forty members participating in the Texas Scramble event.

Turkeys were awarded to the top three teams after lunch on our bar terrace.

RESULTS

1st: Hugh Craig, Clive Tyler, Martin Ingham and John Bryan 54 pts.

2nd: Tim Slate, Stuart Sutherland and Steve Boyle 55,7 pts.

3rd: Steve and Anita Cullen and Madga and Willem Van Oeveren 57,9 pts.

The nearest to the pin prizes went to Katherine Beirne and Stuart Sutherland.



SUNSHINE FOR A.R.C.H. AT MARBELLA GOLF

November sunshine brought out over fifty players for the ARCH Golf Tournament as the players fought for first, second and third team prizes in a Texas Scramble event.

An excellent three course lunch was served followed by the prize giving and an auction and raffle to raise money for the Andalucian Rescue Centre for Horses, Donkeys and Mules as they embark on their move to new premises.

The winning team comprised Brendan and Bernie McDonald, John McNamara and Charlie Lynch with 63 gross and 55.2 net points.



Tom Richardson, Jess Meakin, Steve Boyle and Frank Sadler came second with 63 gross and 57.0 net

points. The third team was Jim Robertson, Paul Dunford, Adam Ramsey and Keith Tyler with 61 gross and 57.6 net points.

ARCH would like to say a big thank you to all who turned out to support the event and to the staff of Marbella Golf for their hard work. The success of the day will help ARCH to continue their very important work of rescuing; rehabilitating and re-homing abused and abandoned horses, donkeys and mules. Information on ARCH future events can be found at www.horserescuespain.org and www.marbellagolf.com.



Captain's Day 2016 was held on Friday, 21st October when the threat of rain and the possibility of thunder storms could not deter our members and guests, as they turned out in record numbers.

After an early morning bacon roll and coffee in the lounge bar, our new Captain, Steve Cullen, along with our newly elected President, Ray Norris, performed the traditional "drive-in" ceremony in front of a packed clubhouse terrace. Steve claimed afterwards that his shot was the longest in the history of Captain's drive-ins at Marbella Golf Country Club. When asked how he could be sure, he replied; "Because nobody can disprove it! I am sure our new President will back me up on this claim - and he has been here since the club first opened. Also, I have noticed that it has been a habit of past Captains to generate their own legends, so I am getting mine in right from the

very start."

At 9.20am, a flare signalled the start of play as seventy-two players teed up to compete for the Captain's Trophies. The course set-up was slightly trickier than usual and it made for very compact leader-boards in all three categories. In the mens members' competition, two players managed to separate themselves from the pack and finished tied on 38 points. After a count-back, Tom Richardson emerged as the winner and Liam Gibson was Runner-up with Brendan McDonald claiming 3rd place. "We were all delighted for Tom" said Steve "because being a Leyton Orient supporter, he has very little opportunity to celebrate sporting triumphs!"

There was also a close finish in the ladies' section, with Yumiko Smith winning the trophy and Bernie McDonald in 2nd place. Bernie's consolation was that she could claim bragging rights in the McDonald household after husband

Brendan's 3rd place finish in the mens' event. Eddy Plunkett, a friend of past President, John McNamara, and a frequent visitor to the club, won the guest prize in yet another close finish. He edged out Mitch Fraser on a count-back. The 'nearest the pin' winners were Ursula Deitermann and Clive Tyler. Four players managed to "beat the pro": Graham Hughes, Barry Elias, Catherine Shiels and Hugh Craig. Our thanks to George Twyman for offering his time to support this fun contest - and not letting too many players beat him! He also helped us to raise over €200 for the Arch charity.

After the golf, everyone enjoyed a three course dinner with brilliant entertainment from one of our own members, Ben Nelmes (aka Ben James of the Jersey Boys). Steve expressed his thanks and gratitude to the many people behind the scenes who helped make this Captain's Day a happy and memorable occasion: our GM, Mike Munden, for managing to accommodate so many players and for arranging the pairings; MGCC Professional, Monty Bordelon, the tournament scorer; Director of Golf, Satu Kääriäinen, along with Beatriz Jimenez and the caddy-master staff, for the administration, procurement and support services; Heather Munden and all the bar/restaurant staff for preparing and serving dinner for almost ninety people; the course marshalls and greenstaff for helping with the course set-up and presentation. Last but not least, Mrs Anita Cullen for being Anita Cullen. We hope to see you all again next year!



Upcoming Events

25.01.2017	Burns Day Tournament
27.01.2017	Men's Interclub vs El Chaparral
30-31.01.2017	The Gecko Tour
17.02.2017	Greg Peck Memorial Trophy





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