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Introduction from the Captain - Mr. Vernon Reed

July was certainly a very busy golf month and what with the incredible hot weather it was like playing golf in the tropics. I do have to say that the course is coping very well and on Captains Day and Gala Week there were many compliments from members and guests alike!

One hundred and eight players turned up to play in Captains Day which was excellent. We had one or two comments regarding pin positions but it didn't stop some good scores coming in and congratulations go to all the prize winners but especially Majida Lester who won with 38 points. The golf was followed by a great evening of good food, wine and excellent entertainment. My personal thanks go to all who took part and supported my day. Thank you.

Gala Week with the theme of "Viva Las Vegas" was always going to be special and it certainly lived up to my expectations! The great thing about the golf is that it is so varied you can be riding high on the leader board on the first day and find yourself way down the list at the end of the week. The Shoot Out on Wednesday in fancy dress was inspired with everyone making a great effort. Have you ever seen so many Elvis's on a golf course? The barbeque was excellent and the entertainment with the "Rat Pack" jetting in from Vegas just to sing three numbers was brilliant. I could go on and say more but as you all know "What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas". The move to the Casino for the Gala Night was inspirational, thanks to Brian and Christophe. The prize giving started at 7.30 with a fantastic array of prizes, we then enjoyed a seven course meal or was it eight, I lost count. This was followed by a dance tribute to Michael Jackson and in true Vegas style some very lithe showgirls. The feedback has been tremendous and on behalf of the members I would like to thank Brian and all the staff for a truly memorable week.

So, with all my friends, children and grandchildren back now in the UK, I am looking forward to a relaxing week, well until next Thursday when the next guest arrives.

Here are a few snaps of my day.



Captains Prize winner, Majida Lester with the Captain.



Ann Davidson with the Captain.

Captain Reed signing off.....Happy golfing.



Paula Burke receiving her prize from the Captain.



The Captain presents "a little something" to his wife, Denise.



Brian Marshall and Fiona Thomson enjoy the joke.

Director of Golf - Monthly Report

July 2010 will go down as a great month of golf at Pinheiros Altos including a very successful Captain's Day and Sunshine Classic Gala Week and I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and thank Pinheiros Altos Club Captain Vernon Reed and his good lady Denise for not only providing a splendid Captain's Day but also supporting Gala Week from the theme of "Las Vegas" to the Michael Jackson tribute show which took place at the Vilamoura Casino and which completed the week.

Captain's Day was won with 38 pts by Majida Lester by one point from Sally Evans and by two from Peter Harrison and John Waters. 108 players competed and 146 enjoyed the celebrations in the evening which was a tremendous start for the Gala Week festivities.

Gala Week owed much of its success to a great theme and the help of the Vilamoura Casino who supplied the roulette and Black Jack tables in the clubhouse after the Wednesday night shoot out. José Gonçalves was the perfect Las Vegas priest selling wedding ceremonies in the "Chapel of L♥♥♥♥ve" and many partnerships renewed their vows patching up golf course divorces!!

John Barrett and Amelia Drumm carried off the trophy and Amelia made a terrific speech in which she complimented the golf course, the Pinheiros Altos staff and emphasised that Gala Week provided the perfect opportunity to meet new friends and acquaint with other members of the Club in a competitive but friendly environment.

I closed the proceedings by thanking Christophe, Cristina and the rest of the golf staff for their tremendous efforts but ultimately without the competitors we would have no tournament to run and it was great to have a full field yet again!

Please note that photographs of Gala Week will appear in the September Newsletter and all competitors can collect a Gala Week disc from the Golf Office.

I would like to remind the membership of the APPA trip to Ilha Deserta organised for Thursday 2nd September. If any Member of the Golf Club is interested to make this trip they are very welcome. The cost is 55 Euros per person including boat trip to and from the island and lunch. This money should be paid at the Golf Office where you can also collect further information.

Competition Results for July

Date	Competition	Winner	Score	Runner Up	Score
Wed 7th	Ladies Day Medal	1st Division Denise Reed	73 Nett (bb9)	1st Division Val Rennie	73 Nett
		2nd Division Wendy Collins	75 Nett	2nd Division Diana Collins	77 Nett
Sun 11th	Summer Medal	Rob Menzies	70 Nett	Hilary Jessup	71 Nett
Wed 30th	Ladies Day Captain's Choice Waltz	Pines / Corks Melaura Parker Anne Marshall Wendy Collins	70 Pts	Olives to Corks Slaney Mullen Josie Waddington Jan Kirk	66 Pts
		Olives / Pines Paula Burke Sandra Little Margo Fletcher	80 Pts	Olives / Pines Vera Watkins Pat Murrish Margo Fletcher (floater)	80 Pts
Wed 21st	Ladies Day Qualifying Stableford	1st Division Melaura Parker	38 Pts	1st Division Slaney Mullen	37 Pts
		2nd Division Paula Burke	37 Pts	2nd Division Vera Watkins	30 Pts (bb9)
Sat 24th	Captain's Day	Please see results below			
Sun 25th - Sat 31st	Sunshine Classic Gala Week	Please see results below			

Ladies Section - by Helen Mills

We were all awake early for the July Medal thanks to the thunderstorms that threatened us with being rained off – yet again! However it blew over and we were able to complete the competition without anyone getting wet.

Ladies Day on the 14th saw two new members joining the Ladies Section, Anne Davidson and Kerry Spooner, we had an easy waltz around two courses and they were able to meet many of our regular ladies for a drink afterwards. Welcome ladies and I hope you will be joining us all on a regular basis.

Rie Cherubini fulfilled a lifetime golfing ambition and had a hole in one on 16th July on 9th Pines and followed up this great feat with ANOTHER hole in one at San Lourenzo on 20th July. She went on to win in the qualifying stableford on July 21st for the 1st Division with a fantastic 38 points. Rie treated us all to a celebration drink in the clubhouse and also gave a donation to the Ladies fund to be used at the discretion of the Ladies Section Committee. Thank you and congratulations Rie.

I would like to congratulate our Club Captain Vernon Reed for a great Captains Day on July 24th. After an early start we fell upon the sausage sandwiches and champagne like vultures very kindly dispensed by some of Vernon's friends on the 10th tee. The evening 'do' where we were all decked out in our black and white outfits was fantastic with the Reed family providing us with some wonderful signing and we danced our feet off to the brilliant band who had come all the way from Ireland. Thanks Vernon for a memorable day.

Congratulations to Majida Lester who was the overall winner of Captain's Day competition with 38 points and also to Sally Evans who was runner up with 37 points, well done ladies.

My first Gala Week went by in a blur of good and bad golf, dressing up in ridiculous clothes, drinking too much alcohol and eating too much food – no better way to spend a week I think and I may be back for more next year! Thanks to my playing partner Joanna Young (now known as Lola) for her

tolerance and good humour, we won the ladies pair prize - which was no great achievement since we were only one of three ladies teams - but great to win something all the same!!! Along the way we made many new friends and it really was a week to remember thanks to all the fantastic work by Brian and his staff. Congratulations to all the ladies who participated and to everyone in the winners list, especially Amelia Drumm the overall winner with her partner John Barrett, Sam Waters, Sally Evans, Susan Russell, Paula Burke, Anne Davidson and Denise Reed – all amongst the top ten winning teams.

Ladies Invitation Day is coming up on September 22nd, the sign-up sheet is now on the notice board. It will be a better ball format and playing partners can be found for you if you wish.

Please let me, or any committee member know if you want a playing partner.

Also, another reminder about Lady Captain's Day with the coveted Rosebowl Trophy competition. This will be held on 8th October in conjunction with the Ladies Annual Dinner and Eclectic Competition prizegiving.

I will be heading for somewhere with a cooler climate next week and Shona will take over the helm (get ready for the blue tees again!!) whilst I am away. Enjoy the rest of the summer wherever you may be and I look forward to seeing you all early September.

Social Golf

- by Roy Baddeley

A perfect afternoon with a slight breeze to keep the temperature down, gave 20 players a very enjoyable Texas Scramble. The ongoing British Open being held on the same day probably was responsible for the low turnout but it did disappoint us as we were able to play and then watch the final few holes on the screen in the golf club lounge. A splendid meal was served by Jorge and his staff and the winners on the day were:

1st Place	Alan Bentley, Peter Young, Wendy Collins and Dirk Blaesing	64.8
2nd Place	Andy Watkins, Michael May, Liz Beal and Yvonne White	69.4
3rd Place	Brian Marshall, Brian Scott, Vera Watkins and Linda Bentley	70.4

The next Social will be held on THURSDAY 5th August which will be a 9 hole Waltz starting at approx. 4.30 p.m.

Pro Tip - Brian Evans

Those of you like myself getting older must make sure that you "warm up" and stretch before you start to hit golf balls on the practise ground and make sure that you start with small shots building up to the longest shots. This way there is less chance of pulling muscles and more chance of a successful round.

Forthcoming Events

- July and August

Tues 3rd August	Junior Open
Wed 4th August	Ladies Day
Thurs 5th August	9 Hole Social Golf
Sat 7th August	Mens Roll Up
Wed 11th August	Ladies Day
Sat 14th August	Mens Roll Up
Sun 15th August	August Stableford
Wed 18th August	Ladies Day
Sat 21st August	Mens Roll Up
Wed 25th August	Ladies Day
Sat 28th August	Mens Roll Up
Sun 29th August	18 Holes Social Golf

Wed 1st September	Ladies Day
Sat 4th September	Mens Roll Up
Sun 5th September	September Stableford
Wed 8th September	Ladies Day
Fri 10th September	Matchplay Championship
Sat 11th September	Matchplay Championship
Sun 12th September	Matchplay Championship
Wed 15th September	Ladies Day
Sat 18th September	Mens Roll Up
Sun 19th September	September Medal
Mon 20th September	White Hot Pro Am
Wed 22nd September	Ladies Invitation Day
Sat 25th September	Mens Roll Up
Sun 26th September	18 Holes Social Golf
Wed 29th September	Ladies Day

Captain's Day

Saturday 24th July 2010

Results

OVERALL WINNER	Majida Lester	H'cp 19	38 Pts
BEST GROSS MEN	John Waters	H'cp 4	36 Pts
<i>MEN</i>			
BEST NETT	Peter Harrison	H'cp 4	36 Pts
RUNNER-UP	Fred Webster	H'cp 15	35 Pts
3rd PLACE	Gordon Davidson	H'cp 12	35 Pts
<i>LADIES</i>			
BEST NETT	Sally Evans	H'cp 7	37 Pts
RUNNER-UP	Ann Davidson	H'cp 29	36 Pts
3rd PLACE	Sharon Henderson	H'cp 12	35 Pts

Gala Week

25th - 31st July 2010

Results

1st Place	John Barrett / Amelia Drumm	160 pts	Monday – Best Ball Stableford		
			1st Place	Tim Russell / Denise Reed	43 pts
2nd Place	John Waters / Sumbaline Waters	158 pts	2nd Place	Martin Walsh / Keith Courtney	41 pts
3rd Place	Eddie Fogarty / Daniel Fogarty	158 pts	3rd Place	Orlando Hill / Marian Hill	40 pts
4th Place	Steven Kent / Ed Kent	155 pts	Tuesday – Greensome Stableford		
5th Place	Anthony Hickey / Paula Burke	155 pts	1st Place	Peter Monahan / Marie Monahan	44 pts
			2nd Place	Kieran Nagle / Ken Nagle	43 pts
Best Mixed	Gordon Davidson / Ann Davidson	154 pts	3rd Place	Susan Russell / Geoff Mortimer	39 pts
Best Ladies	Joanna Young / Helen Mills	129 pts	Thursday – American Foursomes Stableford		
			1st Place	Chris Parker / Melaura Parker	38 pts
Best Gross	Mike Hassid / Sally Evans	137 pts	2nd Place	Iain Cater / Lubna Sands	36 pts
Best Junior	George Variava / Oliver Welsh	139 pts	3rd Place	Rhys Ford / Kay Ford	35 pts
Best Junior / Senior	Daniel Waters / Mark Altman	163 pts	Friday – Scramble Stableford		
			1st Place	John Linley / Steve Hursey	43 pts
			2nd Place	Martin Jessup / Hilary Jessup	42 pts
Special Guest Prize	Neil Taylor / Gary Lambert	145 pts	3rd Place	Chris Variava / David Smith	39 pts
