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# Altos *news*



PINHEIROS ALTOS  
GOLF, SPA & HOTELS



## Introduction from the Captain - Mr. David Markey

June was as busy as May, I am beginning to think that this is a full time job!

I had the pleasure of teeing off the ladies at Therese's Lady Captain's Day. Over 40 ladies played in glorious weather. I missed the Portugal vs. The Rest of the World tournament which was held on June 10th (there was the little matter of Ireland vs Croatia match which clashed with it - mind you I should have gone to Portugal) however the evergreen former captain John Linley stepped into the breach to represent the Club. By all accounts it was a great day with 108 players competing and attending the post match lunch. I am sorry to have missed it.

The club postponed the Hillbillies vs Sanddancers Match to acknowledge the passing of Rene Hales who died last month after a short illness. Many of us in PA attended a service to mark Rene's life. May she rest in peace.

After a short trip to Spain to take part in the Celtic Challenge, I was back for the President's prize, Senior Championship and June Stableford competition. There was a great turn out played in good humour. I would like to thank my playing partners Philip Schofield and Chris Parker who must have sore backs after carrying me!

The winner of the President's Putter and overall winner on the day was Mike Hassid with a magnificent score of 41 pts. I am delighted to see that Mike will be in the running to compete for the weekend for two in the K Club next March. The Presidents day incorporated the Seniors Championship which was won for the second year in a row by Peter Harrison. Other notable performances included Fiona and Paul Hanby who both won prizes in both tournaments while Graham Lee took the best nett prize for the men in the Presidents Putter with 37pts.

It was an exceptional turn out on a lovely golfing day.



*Yippee! Another Photo of Ric*



*Congratulations to Graham on his prize for best net.*



*The Hanby family did good!*





*Mike Hassid with his President's Putter.*

The club is gearing up for Gala Week where Hollywood is this year's theme. The Saturday night is Oscar night so get ready to party. Hopefully you will get to meet some of the Beverly Hills crowd ie Richard Gere, Angelina Jolie, John 'Cruise' Linley, 'Princess' Fiona and 'Shrek' Graeme Thomson, John Travolta, Denise 'Raquel' Reed, George Clooney and January Jones to name a few. I know Brian and Christophe have a few tricks up their sleeves so let's wait and see. Anyway, please register with Cristina as we expect a good turnout this year.

Your committee is fairly active at the moment with each member given specific responsibilities to deal with issues raised by you, the members. Graeme Thomson and John Linley are taking on board your comments regarding the course.

Before I sign off I want to congratulate our official Club photographer Shirley Griffiths on winning the Ladies Past Captains Tournament last month.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at Gala Week this month.



*Shirley Griffiths at the other end of the camera.*



*Hamish Rumball - is he really 70?!*



*Seniors Champion Peter Harrison.*

## Captain's Day - Saturday 2nd June 2012

**OVERALL WINNER** **Thérèse van Doorn** **40 Pts**

### **MEN**

BEST NETT	Tim Russell	38 Pts
RUNNER-UP	Kieran Nagle	36 Pts (bb9)
3rd PLACE	Remo Cherubini	36 Pts

### **LADIES**

BEST NETT	Denise Reed	38 Pts
RUNNER-UP	Mai Markey	36 Pts
3rd PLACE	Ann Copestake	35 Pts
BEST GROSS MEN	Iain Cater	36 Pts
BEST GROSS Lady	Sally Evans	37 Pts



# Director of Golf - Monthly Report

We had a little of everything in June; excitement, sadness, happiness and a huge amount of golfing pleasure.

The 2nd playing of the bi annual Portugal v Rest of the World Match was a super day, with over 100 players and some very exciting golf. The front cover of this month's magazine shows the Rest of the World Captain John Linley holding the trophy (It was bigger than him!) after his teams 17-11 victory.



Sadness was the passing of Rene Hales and an emotional memorial service at the San Lorenzo cultural centre. I had known Rene for many years. She started golf late but I will always remember her for her enthusiasm and desire to improve. She was a lovely lady.

The Presidents Putter and Seniors Championship have been incorporated on the same day for several years but the turnout was enough this year that we may consider reverting to two separate tournaments.

The Presidents Putter was won by Mike (beware the injured golfer) Hassid whose 41 pts meant that any sympathy vote he may have received in recent times has been very soundly put to bed!

The Seniors Prize goes to the best points total with no shots received, and Peter Harrison's 28 pts was easily good enough to take the prize.

I have included a photograph (see the next page) of the Captain on his recent trip to Spain! Judging by the colour scheme you can understand why we were reluctant to send the request to the course in Spain asking for our Captain to receive courtesy... as we would have had to admit he was our Captain!! Of course, he was able to play off the Ladies Tees!!



*A fun day was had by all.*



*Is this really our Captain?*

The course is in excellent condition and the change to the bunker positioning on the 8th Corks is almost finished, even if you don't agree with the change! All the fairways have now been hollow-tined and should be in pristine condition when Gala Week commences.

These works are the normal preparation for Gala Week and during the two weeks before the event we will be protecting certain areas of the tees so you might find some strange tee positions, but all in a good cause!

We had sixteen brave (or mad) gentlemen, who raised €16,500 and counting for the McMillan Cancer Support Charity, by playing 72 holes in one day. Starting at Daybreak at San Lorenzo then onto Laranjal before playing Olives to Pines and Pines to Corks at Pinheiros Altos. They finished with the help of the headlights of Chris Parkers buggy at 9:30 pm. Pinheiros Altos member Bill Young, the oldest of the 16 at 59, put all the youngsters to shame by playing tennis the following morning while the rest complained about their aches and pains. Well done Bill and Congratulations to all the guys. 5 rounds next year!



*Chris Parker shines his lights to allow the 72 holes in one day challenge to be completed.*

## ON COURSE FOUNDATION

Pinheiros Altos is again supporting the ON COURSE FOUNDATION by staging an AM/AM competition on the 6th November 2012. Vale da Pinta (Friday 9th November) and Boavista (Saturday 10th November) are also staging similar events and we would like to see as many Pinheiros Altos members as possible donating and participating in these worthwhile competitions.

For more information please check the Pinheiros Altos notice board or ask at the Golf Reception or Golf Office.

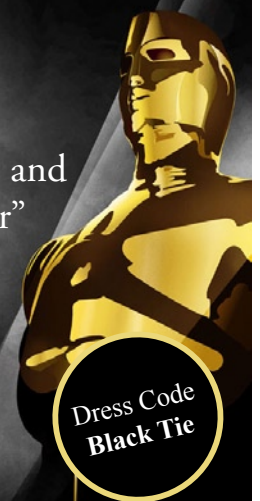
## Sunshine Classic Gala Week

“Hollywood Shoot Out” and  
“The Oscars Gala Dinner”

A 72 Hole Stableford  
Tournament for Pairs  
Sponsored by  
PINHEIROS ALTOS

**22nd - 28th July 2012**

For entry forms please contact the Golf Club Office.





# Competition Results for June

Date	Competition	Winner	Score	Runner Up	Score
Sat 2nd	Captain's Day	See Club Captain's Report			
Wed 6th	Ladies Day	<b>1st Division</b> Zoe Pirret	70 Nett	<b>1st Division</b> Rie Cherubini	72 Nett
		<b>2nd Division</b> Adrienne Buth	74 Nett	<b>2nd Division</b> Barbara Fletcher	77 Nett
Sun 10th	Portugal vs The World	Rest of the World	17	Portugal	11
Wed 13th	Ladies Captain's Day	See Lady Captain's Report			
Sat 16th	Hillbillies vs Sanddancers	Postponed to 1st September			
Sun 17th	June Medal	Sally Evans	71 Nett ( <i>bb34</i> )	Paul Dixon	71 Nett ( <i>bb36</i> )
Wed 20th	2 Ball Better Ball Stableford	Jenny Harrison Mary Ward	42 Pts	Shirley Griffiths Shirley Lamb	41 Pts
Sun 24th	President's Putter and Seniors Championship	<b>Overall Winner</b> Best Man Nett Best Lady Nett Seniors Champion Best Nett Runner up Nett Over 70s Prize	<b>Mike Hassid</b> Graham Lee Fiona Hanby Peter Harrison Fiona Hanby Paul Hanby Hamish Runball	<b>41 Pts</b> 37 Pts 40 Pts 28 Pts (gross) 40 Pts 37 Pts 28 Pts	
Wed 27th	Ladies Day Team Game	Helen Mills Barbara Fletcher Diana Collins	42 Pts	Mary Ward Ilse Berg Thérèse v Doorn	67 Pts

## Ladies Section by Thérèse van Doorn

June was a very busy month and started with a fantastic Captains Day the 2nd June, already mentioned in the last newsletter. The ladies performed very well and I surprised myself with the winning score. (Director of Golf comment: the best front cover to the newsletter ever!)

The 6th June was the ladies monthly Medal; Zoe Pirret won the 1st division with a score of 70 nett and Adrienne Buth won the 2nd division with a good 74 nett.

A day later we heard that Rene Hales passed away. Although we knew she was very ill, it is always a shock to hear this message.

We will miss her as a special lady member, good golfer and friend.

The 13th June was the Lady Captain's Day. 36 ladies played for the Rose Bowl in a Stableford Competition and 44 attended the lunch. Melaura Parker won the Rose Bowl with an unbelievably good score of 43 points and she became a single figure golfer with a 9.4 handicap!!! Many Congratulations!!!!

In the 1st division Nancy Schofield took the first prize with a fantastic score of 39 points. The winner of the 2nd division was Mai Markey with the very good score of 37 points.

It was a lovely day, beautiful weather, with a nice fresh, non-alcoholic fruit punch (made by Rui), Dutch cake and waffles at the 10th hole.

After the match we went to the restaurant Casa dos Pinheiros, where we all enjoyed a superb lunch.



*Melauro Parker receives her well deserved Lady Captain's Rose Bowl.*



*Runner Up Nancy Schofield.*



*In form Mai Markey takes 3rd prize.*

The 20th June was a Two ball Better Ball Stableford won by Jenny Harrison and Mary Ward with 42 points.

On the 26th we had a Ladies friendly match in Salgados. Always a nice day away in a very friendly atmosphere and we were able to win with a match score of 2.5 to 1.5. Well done ladies!!!

The last competition was a team match won by Helen Mills, Barbara Fletcher and Diana Collins with 81 points, miles ahead of the other scores!

With the Seniors Championship, President Putter and Monthly Stableford all rolled into one (toooooo many competitions in one event!) and also the Portugal v the Rest of the World match there was a lot of activity this month. Thanks to all the organisation done by the staff and committee members.

So we are all ready for the next events in July, which of course include Gala Week.

## Lady Captain's Day Results

### Winner of the Rose Bowl

Melauro Parker 43 Pts

### 1st Division

1st Prize	Nancy Schofield	39 Pts
2nd prize	Susan Russell	36 Pts (bbn)
3rd prize	Zoe Pirret	36 Pts
4th prize	Rie Cherubini	35 Pts

### 2nd division

1st prize	Mai Markey	37 Pts
2nd prize	Wendy Menzies	33 Pts (bb6)
3rd prize	Lisa Burns	33 Pts
4th prize	Stella Jeffrey	31 Pts
Nearest to the pin 2nd division	Sandra Little	
Nearest to the pin in 2 1st division	Janine van de Ree	

## Social Golf by Roy Baddeley

A small group of fifteen golfers entered our 2-Ball Better Ball Competition with Hidden Partners on Sunday 1st July, all playing on Olives/Pines

There were some very good scores by the majority of the teams, but at the end no one knew who had won or who their Hidden Partners were.

After a very nice meal outside on the terrace, courtesy of Jorge, the winners were announced.

In first place with a score of 83 Stableford points were Peter Young, Valerie Lee, Ken Irvine and Joanna Young. Second place with 78 points went to Roy Baddeley, Cormack Crawford, Graham Lee and Stella Jeffrey.

The next Social will be held on 26th August and is a Texas Scramble.

## APPA AUTUMN SOCIAL EVENT THURSDAY 6th SEPTEMBER 2012

The 2012 APPA Autumn Social Event will take place at Don Camillo's Restaurant, Rua Cristovao Norte, Almancil, 8135-117; tel. 289 39 77 84 (on the left on the 'middle' road from Pinheiros Altos to Almancil). The evening will cost €45.00 per person, including wine.

There will be a reception at 7:00 p.m. followed by dinner, music and tango dancers.

Places at the Event will be reserved for Pinheiros Altos owners, members of Pinheiros Altos Golf Club, and their guests, in the order in which payment is received by Cristina Fernandes at the Pinheiros Altos Golf Office.

Payments can be made in cash or by cheque denominated in Euros. They can also be made by direct transfer to APPA's bank account, in which case please contact Cristina for details (tel. 289 35 99 53 – email. cfernandes@pinheirosaltos.pt).

## Interclub by Christian Holst

We played two matches in June, both at home, against Serra da Monchique (Silves) and Morgado. With two very good results, 5-0 and 4-1 respectively, we clearly strengthened our position in the league. Well done to everyone playing, particularly since we made some tactical changes in pairings on our side that turned out successful! There are however 2 or 3 other teams which corrected for number of matches played are also close contenders, so nothing will be decided until all matches are played.

Looking forward, we have 1 home match and 3 away matches left in September, and with decent results, we should be in the running. As far as PA is concerned, we have no matches during July and August.

So far this season we have used 30 different players indicating a very good support for the team. Thanks to everyone so far! Let me also thank, for all their support, Brian, Christophe, Cristina and Jorge and his team for making our home matches run smoothly.

As we all take a well deserved summer break I wish everyone a good summer whether you spend it here or somewhere else!



## PRO TIP – Peter Ashdown



**1. Foundation**

**2. Load**



**3. Trigger**

**4. Balance**

The aim of practise is to build a picture in your “minds eye” of each of these key moments in the swing and then make these pictures flow from one to the next. The key moment in any golf swing is the transition from 2 to 3 but the way you move from 1 to 2 will determine what your chances are of achieving that all important transition. The balance the player achieves in position 4 usually reflects the quality of the swing. The better the balance, the better the swing.

## Forthcoming Events July and August 2012

Sun 1st July	18 Holes Social Golf
Wed 4th July	Ladies Day
Sat 7th July	Mens Roll Up
Wed 11th July	Ladies Day
Sat 14th July	Mens Roll Up
Sun 15th July	July Stableford
Wed 18th July	Ladies Day
Sat 21st July	Summer Medal
<b>Sat 21st July</b>	<b>Mens Roll Up - Confirm</b>
<b>Sun 22nd July</b>	<b>Practise and Registration</b>
<b>Mon 23rd July</b>	<b>Four Ball Best Ball</b>
<b>Tue 24th July</b>	<b>Greensomes</b>
<b>Wed 25th July</b>	<b>Shoot Out 5 p.m.</b>
<b>Thu 26th July</b>	<b>American Foursomes</b>
<b>Fri 27th July</b>	<b>Scramble</b>
<b>Sat 28th July</b>	<b>Gala Dinner</b>
<b>Sat 28st July</b>	<b>Mens Roll Up - Confirm</b>
Tues 31st July	Junior Open
Wed 1st Aug	Ladies Day
Thu 2nd Aug	9 Holes Social Golf
Sat 4th Aug	Mens Roll Up
Sun 5th Aug	August Stableford
Wed 8th Aug	Ladies Day
Sat 11th Aug	Mens Roll Up
Wed 15th Aug	Ladies Day
Sat 18th Aug	Mens Roll Up
Sun 19th Aug	August Medal
Wed 22nd Aug	Ladies Day
Sat 25th Aug	Mens Roll Up
Sun 26th Aug	18 Holes Social Golf
Wed 29th Aug	Ladies Day

**GALA WEEK**