

# Royal British Club Golf Society 2022 Newsletter

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## Member News

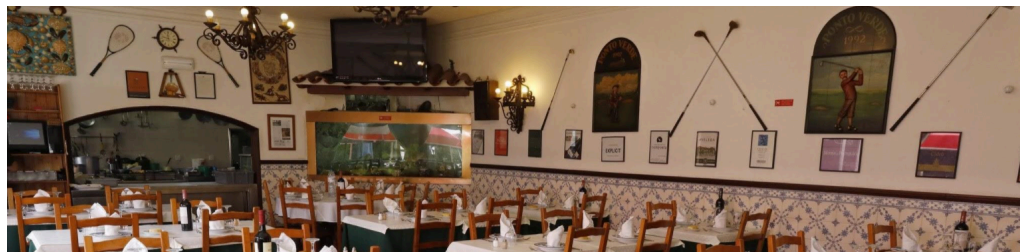
Our 2022 season is now underway. Membership enrollments are strong with 74 playing members set to walk the fairways and 23 social members willing to tee-off from Bar-19. I would like to thank all returning members for your commitment and enthusiasm and as I do so, I would also like to welcome and introduce you to our new members:

- John and Florence Philips
- Julie and Andy Brown
- Jenny Byers
- Rudiger Wrobel
- Dhru Thapa
- Tony Nutt
- Ludovic Bois and Julia Colman

## Tournaments

All our tournaments have been confirmed with the Estoril Golf Club and our lunches booked, either for the Varanda or the main restaurant or as with the Ponto Verde Trophy – in the restaurant itself. But please be warbed that the prices have gone up and we are likely to be looking at €30-33 per member.

## The Ponto Verde Trophy



### Our Sponsor

The tournament is sponsored by the Ponto Verde Restaurant with its sport themed decor and fine Portuguese fayre. Dona Judite, the restaurant owner, keeps a keen eye on her diners from her kitchen while Sr. Capitão ensures that the restaurant crew look after their needs before they need it. Keep the restaurant in mind as a destination restaurant for a fine meal.

## The Tournament

With the backdrop of a clear sky and a rising sun, the RBCGS flag was raised by Selwyn. Good to go! The weather forecast had promised a warm day for a week and held its promise.




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*The most  
important shot in  
golf is the next  
one!*

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44 people had enrolled for this the first tournament of the season. 14 tee-offs were launched: 12 from Hole 1 and two from Hole 17. Each group was armed with individual scorecards and a novel “pace of play” table, an attempt to guide groups around the course at a gallop. But given that: the start of play was so early; breakfast was sorely missed; and the basic draw design showed room for improvement, the gallop ended up more like a leisurely walk with knapping time between holes. First line of corrections lies with that chap who does the draw. Moi!!!

## The results

What of the results. Well as an amuse-bouche, the tournament boasted 8 birdies with John Philips and David Gray boasting two each, one of which was on the hole John himself calls crazy golf: the 8<sup>th</sup> hole.

As for the main results, Richard Macey came in at the top of the table with 36 points.

Ranking	PLAYER	OUT	IN	TOTAL
1st	Richard Macey	14	22	36
2nd	Tom Scheier	15	19	34
3rd	David Gray	16	18	34
4th	Steve Deighton	13	20	33
5th	Mark Dawson	16	16	32
6th	Duncan Barker	19	13	32
Newstead	Håkan Karlén	19	11	30
Cowbell	Bill Buxton	9	7	16

It must be noted that, while I may show a footballer's exuberance when I hole a putt, I noticed from the 8-minute distance our group kept with the 1<sup>st</sup> group that Richard offers a very measured celebration – a nonchalant amble off the green.

It should be mentioned that apart from the winners above, Chris Goulding, Kjelle Norling, Werner Langlitz and Hans Brakel all put in winner performances in the tournament.

Our congratulations to all the winners and those mentioned in dispatches.

### ... and to Lunch

41 people made it to the Ponto Verde Lunch which was plentiful in a boisterous atmosphere and well aired for safety. It provided an opportunity for Sally to take back the captaincy and hand out most of the prizes outstanding from last year.



Competition	Player	Points
Graham Paine Memorial Trophy – Order of Merit	Mark Dawson	24
Alan Jones Trophy – Eclectic Net	Ian Yarwood	45
Dai Evans Trophy – Eclectic Gross	Mark Dawson	58

This is not the last time Sally will take back the captaincy; we still have the Silver Plate to award at the right moment.

For the prize giving Dona Judite stepped out of the kitchen to a standing ovation from us all, after serving us all with some of her signature dishes: arroz tamboril and deliciously tender medalhões de lombo and presented the prizes to the winners. She closed the prize giving with a very touching tribute to the RBCGS itself and our relationship with the restaurant.

### Winners Photo Gallery of the Winners

### Future Activities

Our next tournament will be the Rawes Trophy on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022, followed most likely by snacks at Bar-19 after the game. I shall send out the game registration request shortly.

In the meantime, the request for interest to participate in the annual putting competition, the pitch to the pin masterclass and a new pitch and putt competition is still out awaiting your enthusiasm. If you haven't yet enrolled or spotted that coin in the bottom of your beer or wine glass then the link is available here for you to have a go: [The Gordon Young – 2022 Near Green masterclass and competitions](#)