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# **The RBC Cup Platinum Jubilee Tournament**

This edition of the Newsletter covers the Royal British Club Cup Platinum Jubilee Tournament, which was played on the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2022. The RBC Cup was timed to fit in with the celebrations in the United Kingdom and amongst British communities around the world, including Lisbon and Portugal, of the ascension to the throne of **Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II**, 70 years ago.

### **The Platinum Jubilee**

Her Majesty ascended to the throne on the 6<sup>th</sup> February 1952 after the death of her father **King George VI** and was coronated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June 1953. As of today (12<sup>th</sup> June 2022), **Queen Elizabeth II** becomes:

- the second longest reigning monarch of a <u>sovereign</u> nation after Louis XIV of France, overtaking King Bhumibol the Great of Thailand;
- the longest-reigning incumbent monarch; and
- The longest-reigning female monarch in history.

#### **Our Sponsor**

The Royal British Club, to which we all belong as members of the Golfing Society, sponsors this event and has done so since 2005, two years after one of the original sponsors of our golfing activities, dating back to 1974, when Royal British Club Golfing Society was formed, the Cel-Cat trophy, stopped.

The Royal British Club, Lisbon, Portugal, was founded in 1888 and obtained its royal patronage in 1903 after a state visit to Portugal by King Edward VII. The club has been an important social institution in the Lisbon / Cascais area for the British and international communities since its inception. His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, was the patron of the Club. His Excellency the British Ambassador to Portugal is the Club's President.

#### The Tournament

42 people enrolled for the tournament but with last minute changes – 40 bold golfers took to the fairways. We also enjoyed the company of Fred Woodhouse (known to the Society from earlier years) and Peter Taylor as guests. All flights teed off from Hole 1 – we were not rushed for lunch.

Merlin the magician had made himself scarce for this tournament and hence in planning the weather. We arrived to a cloudy sky, which transformed itself by 12 o'clock into a deluge. Up and down the 10<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> fairways, some very wet players could be seen stranded in the middle of the fairways, huddling under their umbrellas; not moving; hoping for a break in the drenching; while at the same time trying to work out how they were going to develop a new putting shot to skim their golf balls over the puddles on the greens and into the hole.

Relief came at 12:30'ish when a message skimmed around the puddles on the fairways to the last hole saying that the tournament had been turned into a 9 hole tournament with some discretionary rights being reserved by the captain to allow the awards to happen.

#### The results

This month's tournament boasted 8 birdies, but no new players have broken through the 5 birdie barrier to win a birdie award.

As for the main results, Steve Deighton came steaming out of Covid and shared first position with 21 points with Hans Ludolphi. Second place was shared between Fernando Oliveira and Ian Yarwood with 18 points and 12 each 12 on the last 6 holes of the front nine. Alistair and Agneta also came in with 18 points with 12 and 10 points respectively on the last 6 holes. In fourth place was Yolande Macey with 17 points and 12 points on the last 6 holes ahead of Eddie Leitão, also with 17 points, but with 11 points on the last 6. And finally, in 6<sup>th</sup> position was Ron Goddard, leading a peloton of 16 pointers who could not match in any way his last 6 score of 13.

Golfing in the Rain



The Newstead and Cowbell were discretionary gives. Derek after a long time away from golf nursing an ill-disciplined knee, put in a stellar performance on the back 9 (one of the few to play the full 18 holes) and, given that fulfilled the handicap required by the Newstead T&C (terms and conditions) cup, took away the Newstead trophy. The Cowbell went to Jenny Byers, who was nestling in and amongst a group of players all challenged by the weather - but differentiable by being our newest member to take to the fairways this year.

Finally, Kate Scheier took away the nearest the pin for the ladies; Ron Goddard the nearest the pin for the gentlemen playing off yellow; and Chris Goulding the nearest the pin playing off red.

Well done to all the winners.

The table of winners' results is shown below:

Position	Player	Out	Last 6	Total	
1st	Steve Deighton	21	13	21	
2nd	Fernando Oliveira	18	12	18	

3rd	lan Yarwood	18	12	18
4th	Yolande Macey	17	12	17
5 <sup>th</sup>	Eddie Leitão	17	11	17
6th	Ron Goddard	16	13	16

Our congratulations go to all the winners.

Our thanks are also owed to all those who lost a golf ball or three and to Brenda for collecting payment. Since we tried to put the price up for lost balls, fewer have been lost (said for comedy effect).

None of these results will be used in the Societies end year results. However, I was not quick enough to interecept

#### .... and to Dinner



60 people came together to enjoy a fine gala dinner at the Hotel Cascais Miragem, comprising welcome drinks, and a 3-course meal. Again, the dinner allowed the RBCGS to enjoy the company of partners, spouses and guests who can't join for our typical lunches.

The setting was splendid, service fantastic, atmosphere uplifting.

Ian Yarwood was on hand as the Chairman of the RBC to hand over the prizesand as always Tom Scheier for taking the photos for us all to enjoy.

The photo gallery of the whole event has already gone out as a photomovie

### The Royal British Club Cup Platinum Jubilee Tournament – Photo gallery

Enjoy the photo gallery at the following link: Jubilee Photo Gallery or

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ZccWEpaBU4hKV3NWfwzTuVjYSDux\_a0v/vi ew?usp=sharing



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NAME	GROSS	NETT	NAME	GROSS NETT	NAME	PRIZE WINNER POINTS		MATCH WINNER POINTS	NAME	No. OF BIRDIES
Dhru Thapa	66	59	Richard Keech	73 52	Agneta Löventorn	11	Chris Goulding	14	Dhru Thapa	6
Alistair Ferguson	70	58	Eddie Leitao	83 52	Chris Goulding	9	Agneta Löventorn	11	Richard Macey	3
Ron Goddard	70	62	Håkan Karlén	82 53	Kate Scheier	9	Kate Scheier	8	John Philips	3
Ewan Rankin	71	54	Nick Kirk	87 53	Steve Deighton	8	Richard Evans	7	Ewan Rankin	3
Richard Keech	73	52	Ewan Rankin	71 54	Eddie Leitao	7	Eddie Leitao	7	Chris Goulding	2
Chris Goulding	76	56	Agneta Löventorn	81 55	Jan Van Boetzelaer	7	Richard Macey	7	Richard Keech	2
John Philips	76	63	Jan van Boetzelaer	83 55	Richard Evans	7	Jan Van Boetzelaer	7	David Gray	2
Kate Scheier	76	58	Chris Goulding	76 56	Richard Macey	7	Richard Keech	6	Alistair Ferguson	2
Keith Potter	76	57	Steve Deighton	79 56	Nicky Wilton	6	Nicky Wilton	6	Ron Goddard	2
David Gray	77	71	Kjelle Norling	88 56	Richard Keech	6	Tom Scheier	5	Agneta Löventorn	1
Steve Deighton	79	56	Tom Scheier	89 56	Tom Scheier	6	Kjelle Norling	5	Kate Scheier	1
Mark Dawson	80	73	Keith Potter	76 57	David Gray	5	Alistair Ferguson	5	Jan Van Boetzelaer	1
Agneta Löventorn	81	55	Alistair Ferguson	70 58	Nick Kirk	5	David Gray	4	Tom Scheier	1
Andrew Jones	81	58	Kate Scheier	76 58	Bill Buxton	3	Nick Kirk	4	Nicky Wilton	1
Duncan Barker	81	64	Andrew Jones	81 58	Kjelle Norling	3	Ewan Rankin	4	Kjelle Norling	1
Håkan Karlén	82	53	Hans Ludolphi	82 58	Mark Dawson	3	Steve Deighton	3	Håkan Karlén	1
Hans Ludolphi	82	58	Richard Evans	85 58	Duncan Barker	2	Bill Buxton	3	Mats Löventorn	1
Sally Buxton	82	60	Selwyn Kennard	85 58	Julie Brown	2	Julie Brown	2	Paul Guérault	1
Eddie Leitao	83	52	Richard Macey	87 58	Håkan Karlén	1	Håkan Karlén	2	Keith Potter	1
Jan van Boetzelaer	83	55	Dhru Thapa	66 59	Mats Löventorn	1	Mark Dawson	0	Gavin Trechman	1

## **Club News**

Estoril Club Members will have received the newsletter from the Club informing us that Plage SA have sold off the plot of land adjacent to Hole 8 for a building development. Building is due to start this week. I sent a letter of support to Miguel who is engaging with Plage Sa on the subject – particularly since no warning was given to the club. I also spoke with Miguel to offer our support for his intended actions. He will first confer this week with the Directors of the club before moving on from there. We may see ourselves playing a couple of holes of the blue course while the championship course is reconfigured.

## **Future Activities**

On the 22<sup>nd</sup>June we will have the inaugural friendly between the Union des Francais de l'Etranger with a lunch – to be known as the



We have a full team for the event and the draw will come out in the next couple of days.

On the  $6^{th}$  July we will have the Victoria Seguros Trophy – which is where we branch out into more challenging forms of golf – 4 clubs and a putter. The registration goes out next week (19/06/2022)

The Putting competition is progressing with half the contestants through to the last 16. The deadline for the last 16 is the end of June, but given the incidences of Covid that have affected many of us - I will change the schedule to provide some breathing space

I have spoken to Gordon, and he will put on a two session masterclass called "Pitching and Slopes Masterclass": how to pitch and pitch off a slope to the green. My own Covid got in the way of the first scheduled window, so I will coordinate another two dates..

Have a great month!

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