

# The Gee'n Tee News

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## Captain's Letter



I am sure that by now the majority of members resident here in Spain, as well as the winter snow birds that flew south in the New Year, know that

Annie and I are, at least temporarily, leaving Spain. It is with relief that I can say that our reasons for leaving are not health related issues.

It is common knowledge that we have had an ongoing battle with the authorities over a building project. After several promises to both us and our abogado, they have for the second year running removed personnel assisting us in legalising our project from their positions within the system..

With impending resolutions in the European Parliament I feel I can best continue my fight from Northern Europe. This of course does mean that I shall be unable to complete my Captaincy in full, and Annie will have to hand the Anoreta reps job to other hands for the remaining six weeks.

Whilst it is with heavy hearts that we leave our many friends here in Spain, it is our intention to return for the dinner dance at the end of March, and hopefully we will see many of you then.

I have many people to thank, and for various reason GINS and Non Gins, but, I will leave that until the AGM when Mike Elsey will present my end of term report, and then a final article for the next issue of our Newsletter.

Best Wishes,

Steve Colbridge

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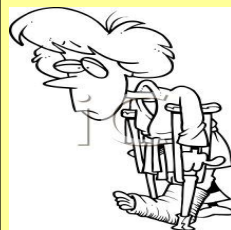
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## Happy 80th Birthday Glen Cowie!



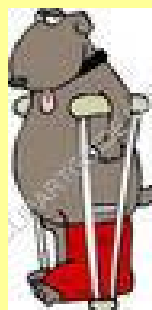
(Glen wishes to thank all those who kindly contributed to his present)



## A very Bad Fall

Sad to report that one of our long standing members,

namely Brian Stewart, had a nasty accident, during his daily duty of taking his 2 dogs for a walk. This not usually a high-risk exercise as he finds a suitably friendly rock to sit on, lights a fag and throws sticks and stones to the bemusement of his animals. Danger is lurking everywhere however and on the return home he fell on the tarmac road, blacked out and regained consciousness to discover his leg broken just below the hip joint. Surgery required; titanium X.L. Pro V 1 hip joint araldite to his thigh bone. Whilst Brian is better acclaimed for his alcoholic capacity, less so for his golfing supremacy, he swears he was stone cold sober at the time which made the pain even more penetrating. Unlike the intelligent animals featured in Disney films which scamper home barking and howling to attract attention Brian's faithful mutts stayed by his side mournfully observing their unconscious master even though the house was only 30 yards away. Good luck with the zimmer frame, Brian. All your friends in the GINS wish you the quickest possible recovery!



## Course Rep's Phone Numbers

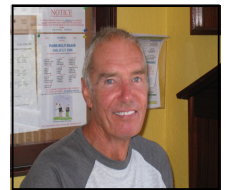
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**Ellie Hughes**  
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Available all reasonable hours

## Baviera

**Roy Boutel**  
**634881265**

Available all reasonable hours  
Please text after 6pm  
(Alt. Home Tel 686808590)



## Los Moriscos

**Elaine & Tony  
Griffths**

**634734352**

Thursdays only  
9-11am



**IF YOU WANT TO PLAY AT LOS MORISCOS ON A FRIDAY, YOU MUST PUT YOUR NAME DOWN ON THE FRIDAY PREVIOUS AT LOS MORISCOS, OR YOU CAN RING THE REPRESENTATIVES AT ANY REASONABLE TIME BEFORE WEDNESDAY.**

***There is no other alternative!***

WHEN YOU WANT TO KNOW YOUR ALLOCATED TIME FOR A FRIDAY THEN PLEASE (if possible) RING **634734352** BETWEEN 9.00 and 11.00 ON THURSDAY MORNING.

The completed time sheet will be displayed at Axarquía Golf in Algarrobo and Dream Properties in Nerja on Wednesdays.  
**Thanks, Elaine**

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## Winter Golf Break at Alhaurin By Ian Paterson

Terry Oxford and I decided to vary the normal GINS routine by going on a short "golf break" recently. Using the Golf in Spain website (www.golfinspain.com) I came up with a number of good deals and chose Alhaurin for the quality of the facilities and the good price. We took a three night /two rounds of golf package for 215€ each, which included a very good breakfast each day and a shared buggy. Arriving at lunchtime we had a burger in the very comfortable club house and then went to play the nine hole PAR 3 course. This was a mistake as it cost €15 and comprises holes of no more than 70 metres played up and down a scrappy hillside - I even lost a ball off the first tee. The practice ground was altogether different. On the driving range you could play off the grass (with or without a tee). There was a good chipping/bunker facility with its own green and a large separate putting area. This encouraged us to practise more than usual - but to what effect? We spent a comfortable evening having drinks with the other guests and dining in the hotel's excellent dining room, which had lots of character being located in the original venta (around which the hotel is built) and offered a self-service buffet for 15€ but the a la carte menu was much better and cost less than 35€ for really good food and wine. Our tee time was 9.50 (all pre-arranged by Golf in Spain) so we had a leisurely breakfast and headed for the club house. We were paired up with two other Brits and teed off on time. The first is a daunting uphill par 5 (see photo); no soft start here. The course was designed by Seve Ballesteros and is quite long (5712 metres off the yellows). It's tough with five par 5's, five par 3's and very few short par 4's to catch your breath on. It is quite like Antequera but properly finished. A buggy is a must. Unlike the PAR 3 course my ball stayed with me until the par 5 15th where Terry tried to kill a duck lurking on the far side of the lake in front of the tee. In sympathy with the traumatised duck I hit my ball far to the right down a ravine. Needless to say our second shots were perfect. Anyone who plays Baviera with me says I get more

than my share of "members'" bounces. You'll be pleased to hear I can do it elsewhere too. On the downhill par 3 12th (its 192 metres and has a very narrow approach from the tee) I miss-hit my 5 iron and the ball travelled about half way to the hole, hit the path, ricocheted off a wall and landed about 5 metres from the pin. My best real golf was a birdie on the 505 metre par 5 18th. We repeated the whole process the next day but with little evidence of having learned anything from the first round. However, the green keeper had heard that we found the course too easy and moved all the tees back and the pins to more difficult positions (it was Friday and the course was set up for a competition). Both the hotel and the course were excellent. All the staff were friendly and helpful and prices were reasonable. My only adverse observations are that the hotel is a long way (2km) from the course, the directions were in themselves good but the renumbering of roads and relay-out of junctions made finding the place a challenge and the PAR 3 course was disappointing. Ian Paterson



## Jokes of the Month

A blonde gets a job as a teacher. She notices a boy in the field standing alone, while all the other kids are running around having fun. She takes pity on him and decides to speak to him. 'You ok?' she says. 'Yes.' he says. 'You can go and play with the other kids you know', she says. 'It's best I stay here.' he says. 'Why?' says the blonde. The boy says: 'Because, I'm the goalie'

**Do you know that when a woman wears a leather dress a man's heart beats quicker, his throat gets dry and he gets weak at the knees and he begins to think irrationally.....**

Ever wonder why?



It's because she smells like a new golf bag!



### Investments - Inheritance Tax Planning Life Assurance

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On the corner of El Barrio and Castilla Perez  
in Nerja town centre



## The GINS get bowled over!!!

With the very successful monthly ten pin bowling meeting. Each month the numbers have grown until now over 40 members join in for a fun evening, this is followed by a very good meal afterwards. You DO NOT have to be an expert to join in! 'It's a **'FUN EVENING'**

Last Thursday Of  
The Month!  
5.0pm Start Time.  
at: El Ingenio

So come along and join the crowd  
Everyone Welcome!!!!

We meet at the Bowling Alley at El Ingenio at 5pm on the last Thursday of each month. There is a meal afterwards at 'Pippo' on the seafront at Algarrobo and costs €8.50 per person (plus tip and any drinks) To play and to book the meal, you need to put your name on the list on the board at your golf course



WINNERS: L-R: Roy, Annie, Max, Pat  
Below: Enjoying a meal afterwards



Above: **Runners Up:** Lt to Rt Peter, George, Bridget, Irene (presenting) Brian and Bev  
\* \* \* \* \*

The bowling is successfully run by Irene Ward ably assisted by Max  
Phone No: 95252 3849.  
Tita O'Conner organises the meal  
Phone 952550216/Mob 600335792



### ....and another one!

A chicken farmer went to a local bar, sat next to a woman and ordered a glass of champagne. The woman perked up and said, 'How about that? I just ordered a glass of champagne, too!' 'What a coincidence' the farmer said. 'This is a special day for me. I am celebrating.' This is a special day for me too, I am also celebrating,' said the woman. 'What a coincidence!' said the farmer. As they clinked glasses he added, 'What are you celebrating?' 'My husband and I have been trying to have a child and today my Gynaecologist told me that I am pregnant!' 'What a coincidence!' said the man. 'I'm a chicken farmer and for years all of my hens were infertile, but today they are all laying fertilized eggs.' 'That's great!' said the woman, 'How did your chickens become fertile?' 'I used a different cock,' he replied. The woman smiled, clinked his glass and said, 'What a coincidence!'



### FEBRUARY/MARCH '09 the weeks ahead!!

#### ANORETA

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb Individual Stableford
- 9<sup>th</sup> Feb Texas Scramble
- 16<sup>th</sup> Feb Individual Medal or Stableford
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb Pairs Game
- 2<sup>nd</sup> March Individual Stableford

#### BAVIERA

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb Medal (Stableford option)
- 10<sup>th</sup> Feb Ladies Invitation day
- 17<sup>th</sup> Feb Individual Stableford
- 24<sup>th</sup> Feb Combined Stableford
- 3<sup>rd</sup> March Medal (Stableford option)

#### Los MORISCOS

- 6<sup>th</sup> Feb Stableford
- 13<sup>th</sup> Feb Swedish Medal
- 20<sup>th</sup> Feb Team Game
- 27<sup>th</sup> Feb Ladies Invitation Day (meal after)
- 6<sup>th</sup> March Stableford
- 13<sup>th</sup> March Team Game
- 20<sup>th</sup> March St Patricks Day
- 27<sup>th</sup> March Stableford

**Sat 28th march Captain's Dinner  
Dance at Hotel Rural Almazana, Frigiliana Road, Nerja  
Tickets approx. €38 per head**

### "Top Dog Golfing Society"

Streetwise and Andrew Corker have put together a competition between the local golf society's. The first event – a betterball stableford will be played at Antequera on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March.

They have asked the GINS if we would like to participate. Andrew is looking for teams of 4, ideally 12 players – these can be from all 3 courses, All handicaps and of course lady members are welcome.

The price of €45 per person includes, golf, buggy, dinner and prize presentation. There will be a team prize for the best aggregate score, as well as individual prizes, plus fun prizes, nearest the pins etc.

The idea is that this event will be held at different venues every quarter with the best overall society being named the "Top Dog Golfing Society" for the year and will hold the annual "Top Dog" trophy.

If there is sufficient interest we will cost the price of a coach from Almuñécar to pick up in La Herradura, Nerja & El Ingenio. Please contact the course reps if you would like to play, they can add your name on their list. The organizers would like to know the numbers by the middle of February.





# January 2009 Results



## Anoreta

### 5<sup>th</sup> Medal- Stableford Option

#### Medal:

##### Gents:

1<sup>st</sup> Mike Cummings (12) Nett 72

2<sup>nd</sup> Ray Craig (8) Nett 74

##### Ladies:

1<sup>st</sup> Lynne Whitelaw (19) Nett 80

#### Stableford:

##### Gents:

1<sup>st</sup> Steve Adams (21) 27 Pts

##### Ladies:

1<sup>st</sup> Eloisa Sanchez (29) 31 Pts C't Back

2<sup>nd</sup> Marilyn Adams (31) 31 Pts

2's Competition: Keith Taylor, Neil Brown

### 12<sup>th</sup> "Strictly" 1,2,3 - 1,2,3 - 1,2,3

#### Stableford: (Team Game)

1<sup>st</sup> Glynne Thomas, Barbara Schmidt, Peter Jackson, Jill Parker 84 Pts

2<sup>nd</sup> Lyn McAllister, Gill Young, Helmut Muller, Brian Ladd 82 Pts

3<sup>rd</sup> Malcolm Straw, Nick Ball, Ellie Hughes, Denny Cummings 81 Pts C' Back.

2's Competition: Neil Brown, Helmut Muller, Dietmar Stec

### 19<sup>th</sup> Individual Stableford: Sponsored by Lynne & Andy Whitelaw

(watch this space for their New Golf Shop)

#### Gents:

1<sup>st</sup> Helmut Muller (14) 38 Pts

2<sup>nd</sup> Alan Worthington (11) 37 Pts

Longest Drive: Steve Colbridge

Nearest Pin: Dan McAllister 1m 16cm

#### Ladies:

1<sup>st</sup> Sue Ball (27) 36 Pts

2<sup>nd</sup> Lola Montero (36) 34 Pts

Longest Drive: Annie Colbridge

Nearest Pin: Maggie Buller 8m 80cm

2's Competition: Brian Haddon, Irene Ward, Lyn McAllister, Roger Hughes, Helmut Muller. Thanks to Lynne & Andy for a great day & great prizes



## Baviera

### 6<sup>th</sup> Medal Competition

Overall winner: George Reid (18) 72

Ladies winner: Jackie Viles (4) 79 c'back from Gill Boutel

Yellow Tee winner: Gerry Robinson (14) 77

2nd Peter Reynolds (17) 78

White Tee winner: Ray Craig (8) 78

### 13<sup>th</sup> Pairs - Combined Stableford.

Winners: George Reid (again) with Gaute Egeberg 61 Pts

Runners up: Mike Callaway with Pauline Pearce 54 Pts

2's Competition: Maurice Wilde and Gaute Egeberg both on the 8th hole

### 20<sup>th</sup> Individual Stableford Sponsored by AXARQUIA GOLF

#### Gents:

1<sup>st</sup> Ray Craig (8) 37 Pts

2<sup>nd</sup> Ian Paterson (23) 34 Pts

3<sup>rd</sup> John Vertanness (17) 33 Pts

#### Ladies:

1<sup>st</sup> Jackie Viles (4) 31 Pts

2<sup>nd</sup> Tita O'connor (36) 29 Pts

3<sup>rd</sup> Gill Boutel (14) 29 Pts

Nearest pin - hole 8 Vernon Northcott

2's Competition: Ian Paterson - hole 15

Thanks to Chris Gask for the sponsorship.

### 27<sup>th</sup> 2 ball Texas Scramble

1<sup>st</sup> Bob Blair (12) and George Reid (17)

68.06 Net

2<sup>nd</sup> Dave Miles (9) and Jim Paton (23)

69.69 Net

3<sup>rd</sup> Denise Burke (36) and Roy Boutel (10)

69.74 Net

## Anoreta cont.

### 26<sup>th</sup> Pairs Better Ball Match-Play

Match 1. Judy Howard & Lola Montero

bt Desi McGowan & Anne Dunn 5 & 3

Match 2. Chris McGowan & Eloisa Sanchez

bt Brian Lynch & Kate Mason 4 & 2

Match 3. Peter Thompson & Steve Adams

bt Brian Hollinrake & Bernard O'Brien 2 Up

Match 4. Pedro Dotor & Marilyn Adams

bt Derek Santon & Lynne Whitelaw 4 & 2

Match 5. Neil Brown & Tina Belloso

bt Andy Whitelaw & Bev Jackson 4 & 2

Match 6. Graham Moulton & Paul Lowry

bt Peter & Angie McGrath 5 & 3

Match 7. Keith Taylor & Gill Young

bt Noel Mc Loughlin & Ellen Hughes 4 & 2

Match 8. Peter Garner & Peter Jackson

bt Roger Hughes & Brian Haddon 5 & 3

Match 9. Bridget & Alan Lloyd-Edwards

bt Mike & Denny Cummings 5 & 3

## Los Moriscos

### 2<sup>nd</sup> WALTZ STABLEFORD

1st Team: Daryl Paver, Bill O'Neil and Bill McCracken 74 Pts

2nd Team: Jill Parker, Mike Cummings and Mike Craig 69 Pts

### 9<sup>th</sup> 1st leg of the British Heart Foundation Stableford Eclectic Results carried over

#### Individual Stableford:

1<sup>st</sup> Ray Cooper (21) 32 Pts

2<sup>nd</sup> Hugren Jonsdottir (24) 31 Pts

### 16<sup>th</sup> 2nd leg of the British Heart Foundation Stableford Eclectic Results carried over

#### Individual Stableford:

1<sup>st</sup> Mike Craig (26) 34 Pts

2<sup>nd</sup> Tita O'Connor (36) 30 Pts C'Back on back 9

3<sup>rd</sup> Mike Denny (23) 30 Pts

### 23<sup>rd</sup> Individual Stableford

Overall Winner Mike Craig (27) 37 Pts

Gents 1<sup>st</sup> Brian Wiggins (15) 34 Pts

Ladies 1<sup>st</sup> Linda McKane (33) 31 Pts

2's Competition: Brian Wiggins...

A Special mention because it was an EAGLE over the water on hole 7

### Conclusion of the 3 week ECLECTIC Stableford Competition

Winner Derek Lowe (20) 41 Pts

2<sup>nd</sup> Simon Buller (19) 40 Pts

3<sup>rd</sup> Barbara Murrell (33) 40 Pts

4<sup>th</sup> Terry Conway (19) 39 Pts Count back

5<sup>th</sup> Ken Hilton (19) 39 Pts

6<sup>th</sup> Denny Cummings (25) 39 Pts



### 30<sup>th</sup> Individual Stableford

Overall Winner Pat Lowe (24) 41 Pts

#### Gents:

1<sup>st</sup> Simon Buller (21) 37 Pts

2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Craig (27) 36 Pts

#### Ladies:

1<sup>st</sup> Annie Curphey (34) 37 Pts