Polo — EUPC Annual University Club Polo Tournament

Every Autumn, the Edinburgh University Polo Club holds a tournament for like minded clubs at <u>Edinburgh Polo Club's</u> Dalmahoy arena. Below is organiser, Madison Brigg's report on matters equestrian....



The Edinburgh Annual Tournament

After much anticipation, this year the Edinburgh University Polo Club hosted the Annual Tournament from 31st October to 2nd November at Dalmahoy. Taking part were Edinburgh, Stirling, St Andrews and Newcastle. Spurred on by the wonderful weather, excellent polo was played by all, particularly Carlos Baird, who was awarded most valuable player and our Edinburgh's most improved player, Victoria Lombardi.

The team lists were dominated by Edinburgh University players, especially in the Open and the tournament's first alumni match, in which the players were all representing the hosting university. The weekend was kindly supported by GAM (Global Asset Management), and prizes were donated by Pampeano and Player Layer. Our chosen charity was 'Riding for the Disabled'. Thanks everyone for your donations! John Preece (usually interrupted by the small matter of the Autumn Internationals, the ER's photographer/reporter was on hand to attend all three days this $time \ around - JP)$ was able to capture beautifully the ponies, hired from the Douglas family and Thom Bell, performing to their usual high standards. The spectators and players were entertained by the "apres polo" style music scene, amusing commentary and treated to LovSushi and a barbeque. Players let their hair down on Friday night, with extra Halloween enthusiasm, followed by a trip to Garibaldi's. On Saturday night we dined at Candy Bar and then on Lola Lo Club, who generously sponsor us throughout the year.

Overall scores:

Beginner 1st: St Andrews A, 2nd: St Andrews B, 3rd: Edinburgh B.

Novice 1st: Stirling (pictured), 2nd: Ed C, 3rd: St Andrews A.

Alumni: Edinburgh B

Open: Edinburgh A

Images from all three days can be viewed here