



## Pamfilya Golf Newsletter November 2006

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the latest edition of our newsletter. Now that the heat and the glaring sun of the summer months are gone, so are the beach-holiday makers. Instead, the golf season is upon us and we are proud to welcome more and more players to the lush greens of Belek. Everyone is very busy to keep them coming back for more! In this sense, without any further delay, please read on and enjoy the following articles:

- Hasan Dulagil - A role model for Turkish golfers
- A "big project" in Bodrum: Vita Park Golf Resort
- Cornelia Golf Club Opening Tournament Details

Preview of our next newsletter:

We'll bring you the highlights of the Grand Opening of Cornelia Faldo Course 6. November 2006!

### Hasan Dulagil - A role model for Turkish golfers

*Hasan Dulagil, now in his 70s, was Turkey's first participant in an International Rotary Golf Tournament. In his many years as an avid golfer, he can be credited for greatly helping this sport spread in Turkey. We recently caught up with Hasan Dulagil and asked him to reminisce a bit about his life on the greens.*

"I was introduced to the golf sport by an English neighbour. I was fourteen when I saw him in a field in the back of his house in Kavaklidere (Ankara) hitting small white balls with a stick. He showed me how to do it and my first shot was 100 metres, we were both very surprised!

In America, 30 years later, I started to play 9 holes and already in the first 6 months, I went below 50 shots.

Back in Turkey in 1964, I joined the Ankara Golf Club. Playing sandy and thorny greens, I was able to improve my handicap to 2.

In 1975 the municipality occupied the Ankara Golf Club and turned it into a park. What a pity - Turkey wanted to enter the European Community, but its capital didn't even have a golf course!

To keep up practice, I continued playing golf in England. In 1976 I was the first Turk to compete in the Rotary World Championship in Hawaii. Later, I took part in tournaments in Luxembourg, Switzer-

land, Pebble Beach, USA, Canada, South Carolina, England, Royal Melbourne Australia and Japan. I played the main golf courses of Europe, America, Thailand, Japan, Germany, Italy, France, and Mexico.

My constant efforts were successful and together with the excellent organisation of Pamfilya Tourism it was possible to hold the 43rd IGFR Championship 2006 in Belek, Turkey. This was the biggest and most successful of the past 43 IGFR events with a record 266 participants.

Six or seven years ago, I had a chance to play the Gloria, the National and the Tat Beach golf courses. Unfortunately, I am now disabled and have not played for the last 4 years.

Golf is a sport that can be played by people from 7 to 70. I started teaching my son to play, when he was just a little boy. At 12 he was winning prizes at the Ankara Golf Club in the handicap group of 12 to 18. I am proud to read about the efforts of

the Turkish Golf Federation, even players from regions of the country, where there are no golf courses are participating and winning tournaments.

Today, there are 17000 golf courses in America, and 27 million Americans play golf. In Britain at least 4 to 5 million people play. In Spain, Portugal, Italy, France and Germany hundreds of golf courses are being built and the environmentalists do not oppose this! According to the information I have, Spain makes 50 billion dollars (p.a.) from golf, why don't we do the same?

Our country needs to make golf more popular: constructing more golf courses will benefit local and foreign tourism. Can you imagine the jobs this will create? Building golf resorts, operating and maintaining them?

I advise everyone to take up golf as soon as possible, wishing you lots of success."

Hasan Dulagil

## 2006 World Amateur Team Championships

### **Eisenhower Trophy: 26 - 29 October in Stellenbosch, South Africa**



Congratulations for successfully representing Turkey!



## A "Big project" Vita Park Golf Resort, Bodrum

*Owner and designer Gürol Büyük - his surname Turkish for "big" - is fulfilling his dream of over 15 years and will bring golf to the Bodrum area by May 2007. Over the years, he consulted several world-known golf course designers, but never felt entirely satisfied with their ideas. Although at the time a complete novice to the sport, Gürol nevertheless had a clear vision of what he wanted and came up with the perfect project, soon to be completed. Just next door, another two golf courses are planned, making Bodrum a new Turkish golf destination to reckon with.*

Amid the splendor of an extraordinary natural environment, two championship golf courses have been carved, incorporating a sweeping interlace of fairways, preserve areas, wetlands, olive trees, tall protected pines and lakes. Dr. Gürol Büyük and his son Erol Büyük have masterfully created a design that takes into consideration the character of the land and the sensitivity of its ecosystem.

### **Milas par-71**

The Vita Park Golf Resort is a unique two 18-hole golf facility. The Milas par-71, 5,850 meters course is scheduled to open in May 2007 and offers the charm and challenge of an Old World course with a feel that is reminiscent of traditional Scottish links. The Milas course is born out of a deep love and respect for the game, a shared passion for excellence and a desire

to play under the finest possible conditions.

To complete that experience, 6 hectares have been dedicated to a Golf Academy, which features unrivaled practice and training conditions, facilities, and services, a wide double-ended practise range, including numerous target greens and bunkers, several short game areas and putting greens. Many shots found on the golf course can be practised here at the Golf Academy, which also features state-of-the-art instructional technology and V1 video equipment for total swing analysis and game improvement. This system allows members to monitor their progress from week to week.

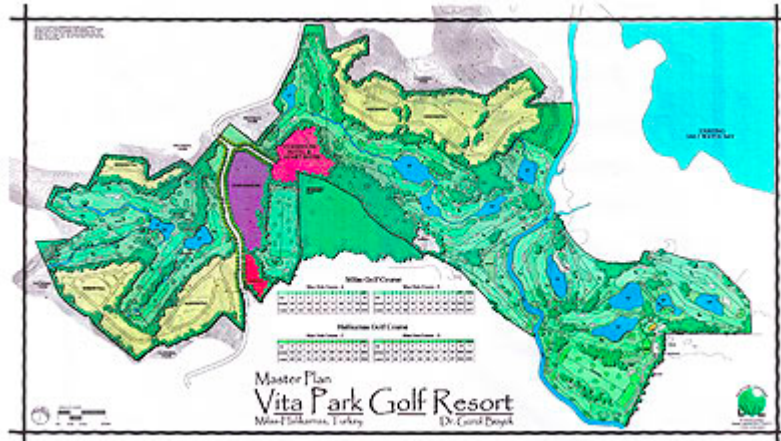
### **Halikarnas par-71**

The Halikarnas par-71, 6,480 meters course with its own private driving range, its lush native landscaping and flowing creeks and waterfalls tantalize golfers' senses, while designed with a dramatic Arizona golf course look because of its topographic features. Classic-style bunkering with bold flashes of native white sand will complement the occasional stacked sod wall edges.

The Halikarnas course is expected to be a "players club" with a very challenging layout from the tournament tees - a world-class championship golf course suitable for prestigious national and international events. The finishing 18<sup>th</sup> hole, 425 meters, surrounded by a natural

amphitheater with its protected pine trees, dramatic waterfalls, and elevated 32 meters green from the back tee crowns the Halikarnas championship golf course.

- For more information:  
[www.sercotec.net/vita](http://www.sercotec.net/vita)
- PS: Pamfilya has a branch office in Bodrum...



## Cornelia Golf Club Grand Opening Tournament details:

05th November 2006  
check/in Cornelia De Luxe Resort

All Golf Professionals accommodation and games will be free of charge.

06th November 2006  
Cornelia Golf Club Faldo Course - Practice  
Day 19.30 - 20:30 Welcome Cocktail in  
Cornelia De Luxe Resort

The Tournament is limited to 25 teams.

Free Shuttle Service to the golf courses will be provided for tournament participants.

07th November 2006  
Cornelia Golf Club Faldo Course -  
Evaluation Day

All players will get a free range of tokens and a trolley during the tournament.

08th November 2006  
National Golf Club - Practice Day

A free 10th tee bar will be open during the games.

09th November 2006  
National Golf Club - Evaluation Day

REWARDS:  
For the Pros 30.000,- Euro (first 10).  
Special prizes for the first 3 teams.

10th November 2006  
Cornelia Golf Club Faldo Course - Final Day

- For more information:  
[www.corneliagolfresort.com](http://www.corneliagolfresort.com)

20:00 Gala Dinner in Cornelia De Luxe  
Resort

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