

AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

We celebrated the end of summer at the September GPL on Monday the 7th. Although the hot weather was still with us, 42 members had a good time. Sophal and Diane were the winners 🏆 of the 18 hole golf competition and Michel and Guy Claude, the pétanque winners. 🏆



A LOOK AT THE ART OF BANKSY

As an art historian,

I would like to offer a few lines to help you understand the world of Banksy, currently on display (along with many other artists) at the MOCO in Barcelona.

With anarchist, anti-establishment, and anti-social messages—or simply questions about the incoherent world around him—Banksy illustrates today's social issues in a humorous yet unsettling way. His message is clear: to denounce social inequality, abuses of power, and oppressive policies. But his stencils are never violent in their depiction. The message is always clear. When the masked activist takes a running start to throw an object we imagine to be solid, violent, or even explosive, Banksy places a bouquet of flowers in his hand. When he depicts a helmeted police officer in riot gear, a smiley emoji replaces the face, and when a "Madonna" breastfed a child, a cannon replaces her breast... Always offbeat, each work is an open question to each person's interpretation.

To describe Banksy is to either reject or accept the message he wants to convey. You'll leave this exhibition at the MOCO with a smile on your face, remembering those little monkeys, rats, and dark stencils surrounding the adorable little girl releasing a golden balloon into the sky.

Open your heart and let the artist guide you through these few rooms. All the works have been certified by Pest Control; they are all genuine Banksy originals. And the MOCO offers us the chance to see an interesting retrospective of this contemporary artist.

-Estelle Arlandis

WE ARE ALL LOOKING FORWARD TO THE WELCOME COOLER WEATHER SO WE CAN GET OUT AND ABOUT! A FEW BIG EVENTS TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS....IN OCTOBER, THE CHARITY WALK AND OUR ANNUAL **QUIZ NIGHT**. IN NOVEMBER, WE HAVE A CULTURAL EXCURSION TO LA PEDRERA-CASA MILA TO SEE THE ART OF ANSELM KEIFER. OUR **AUTUMN/WINTER PARTY** WILL BE NOVEMBER 26TH AT THE COSMOPOLITAN HOTEL IN PLATJA D'ARO 🍷🍷🍷

AUTUMN CLUB ACTIVITIES

Pitch'nputt - September 23

Pétanque - September 17

Monday September 21-MOCO Museo, Barcelona 🏡

Monday October 5 - GPL 🏌️🚩

Tuesday October 6- Book Club 📖

Pitch'nputt- October 8,21

Pétanque - October 15,29

TUESDAY OCTOBER 13 - QUIZ NIGHT 🧐

Tuesday October 20 - Charity Walk 🧡

Monday November 2 - GPL 🏌️🚩

Monday November 10 - Brainstorming session 🧠

Monday November 10 - Book Club 📖

Tuesday November 17- Cultural Excursion

🍷 Thursday November 26- Autumn/Winter Party 🍷

Contact activity group coordinators if you would like to participate in any of the activity groups - all contact info is on the website
questions? email: eventscicb@gmail.com