

# THE WORLD IN HUNGARY

*The 2nd La Estancia Polo Open saw three days of good polo in the vineyard country of Budapest*

Guests from as far afield as Chile and California joined players and friends from Brazil, Germany, Austria and the Zimmermann family's Polo Club, Budapest, as the event got under way. The La Estancia Polo Open, now in its 2nd year, is by far the highest-international tournament in eastern Europe since the end of the second world war. It has also become a must-see event in the local calendar.

More than four hundred guests attended matches on each of the three days, which saw four teams competing for the honours, and the Herend porcelain cups. Bank Hofmann, captained by Uwe Zimmermann, had Santiago Marambio from Argentina as their strong man, while Hans Georg Schiebel's Herend were based around Juan Clemente Marambio.

Mercedes Benz, captained by Baron Richard Drasche-Wartinberg, had brought in Esteban Panelo, also from Argentina, and Ingeborg Schwenger-Holst's Pantel recruited Brazilian Raphael

de Oliveira.

The first day saw Bank Hofmann defeat Pantel 6-5, while Herend beat Mercedes Benz by a notable 6-1. The next day saw Mercedes Benz narrowly ride out the winners over Bank Hofmann, 6-5, while Herend recorded the highest score of the tournament, beating Pantel 9-0.

Finals day saw play continuing at a fast pace. First play, however, went to Herend, who had a 5-4 victory over Bank Hofmann, and Mercedes Benz defeated Pantel by an equally close 4-3, to claim third place.



Marambio



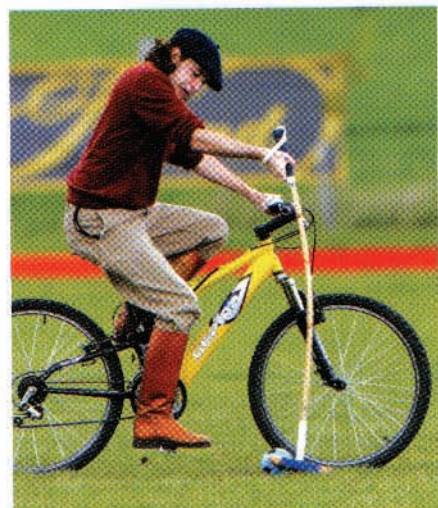
Ladies' Saturday hat competition winner



Santiago Marambio



Mercedes Benz & Pantel



Nico Pascarelli - bicycle polo