## Branxton Golf Club Saturday, 8 June 2024 Monthly Medal - Stroke

Field: 47

Monthly Medal Winner: Andrew George 67

A Grade Winner: Brett Hutley 68 2nd: Steve Eccles 73 3rd: David Kinch 74
B Grade Winner: Ian Howell 72 2nd: Murray Kingston 74 (c/b) 3rd: Lee Jackson 74
C Grade Winner: Josh Hare 69 2nd: Richard Alley 75 3rd: Pip Lancaster 76

Nearest the Pins

2nd/11th: Andrew Keogh 109cm 4th: Steve Eccles – 145cm 9th/18th: Mick Barrett 192cm 13th: Robert Biles – 199cm

Balls: Mick Barrett, Ben Porter, Peter Mackenzie, Steve Ross, Peter Conroy, Garry Taylor, Robert Hale,

Matthew Schnell, Ben George, Chris Zawirski, Mark Faulkner, Gary Walsh, Chris O'Brien,

Robert Miller

## Pro's NTP – Brett Hutley 172cm = \$72 Pro shop Voucher

Another good field of 47 took to the sunny but very windy Branxton course for the June monthly medal. The wind and very slick greens took its toll on most of the field, with some scores more than 20 strokes above players' handicaps. Andrew George took out the monthly medal with an excellent 67 nett. He was in the first group out and the rest of the field couldn't catch him. Brett Hutley took out A grade with a well compiled 68 nett, which included 3 birdies. Steve Eccles and David Kinch returned to the podium for the first time in a while with scores of 73 and 74 nett respectively. Ian Howell had a solid 72 nett to take out B grade. Murray Kingston continues to play consistently and picked up second place with 74 nett on a countback from Lee Jackson on the same score. Josh Hare's practice paid dividends as he took out C grade with a very good 69 nett, one of only 3 sub-par rounds on the day. He was well clear of Richard Alley in second place on 75 nett and Pip Lancaster on 76 nett. In the NTP's, Andrew Keogh produced a magic shot through the cross winds on the 2nd hole to have the shot of the day, stopping it 109cm from the pin. Steve Eccles and Bob Biles were the sharpshooters on the 4th and 13th holes respectively. Mick Barret hit a great shot into the 9th hole, while Brett Hutley ended the day well to take the Pro NTP. Bobby Hale almost had a miraculous birdie on the 7th. After hitting his tee shot into the dam and then his 3rd shot up the tree line, his 4th shot from about 170m out hit rolled up and hit the flagstick but just wouldn't drop – very unlucky.

In the only pairs knockout match played today, Mick Carling and Time Lane defeated Kel Mather and Mark Faulkner. Apparently quite a few holes were won with higher than average scores and on two holes in a row it was left to Mick to carry the team after Tim's scores went double digits.

## **Upcoming Events**

The Branxton Open weekend of golf is on next weekend June 15-16. On Saturday the event is a 2BBB stableford plus singles in conjunction, with major sponsor being JPG Engineering. On Sunday is the 2024 Branxton Open stroke event, with major sponsor being Ingal Civil Products. We would also like to thank Branxton Pro Shop for its continued support for both events. Spots are still available for both days. The halfway house (cash only) will be operating on Sunday.