

Branxton Golf Club
Sunday, 16 June 2024
2024 Branxton Open

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Field: 83

2024 Branxton Open Scratch Winner: Cameron Johanson 68

A Grade

Scratch Runner Up:	Joshua Tracey	71			
Nett Winner:	Robert Biles	69 c/b	Nett Runner Up:	Steve Eccles	69 c/b

B Grade

Scratch Winner:	Michael Carling	88	Scratch Runner Up:	Corey Duncan	90
Nett Winner:	Murray Kingston	72	Nett Runner Up:	Mick Martin	75

C Grade

Scratch Winner:	Garry Taylor	92	Scratch Runner Up:	Steven Lawrence	94 c/b
Nett Winner:	Christian Thompson	71	Nett Runner Up:	Dean Clack	73 c/b

Phil Shiven Memorial Trophy:	Graeme McFarlane	97 nett	Worst nett score across the field.
Ted Meyn Memorial Trophy:	Cameron Johanson	68 nett	Best nett score by a BGC member.

Nearest the Pins

A Grade	2nd/11th: Allan Hutley 200cm	4th/13th: Max Wallington 50cm	9th/18th: Perrin Gleeson 97cm
B Grade	2nd/11th: Andrew Keogh 357cm	4th/13th: Corey Duncan 427cm	9th/18th: Michael Carling 260cm
C Grade	2nd/11th: Jake Duncan 216cm	4th/13th: Alan Flanagan 923cm	9th/18th: Steven Lawrence 262cm

Balls: To be advised

Pro's NTP – Perrin Gleeson 97cm = \$156 Pro shop Voucher

A large and strong field competed in the 2024 Branxton Open. Perfect weather conditions remained all day, giving both the morning and afternoon fields the opportunity to play their best golf. 46 Branxton members were joined by 37 visitors from Aberdeen GC, Cypress Lakes GC, Hunter Valley GC, Kempsey GC, Kew GC, Kurri Kurri GC, Maitland GC, Murrurundi GC, Muswellbrook GC, Scone GC, Shortland Waters GC, Singleton GC, The SGA GC, and Waratah GC.

The winner of the 2024 Branxton Open was current Branxton Golf Club champion Cameron Johanson, who shot a brilliant scratch score of 2 under par 68. The scratch runner up was Josh Tracey with 71. Josh played in the same group as Cameron, so there was some quality golf being played in that group on the day. Justin Ely placed 3rd overall with his scratch score of 72. Robert Biles commented at the 1st tee that with such a strong field, that the mid-range A grade players could well be playing for the nett prize. As it turns out, that's exactly what he did, taking out A grade nett with a score of 69 on a countback from another member of his playing group with 69 nett, Steve Eccles.

In B grade Branxton member Michael Carling had a great scratch score of 88 to take the win. Corey Duncan from Singleton GC was runner up in the scratch event. Murray Kingston continues to play steady golf to take the B grade nett prize with 72 nett, three shots clear of runner up Mick Martin. Garry Taylor made it a win in all three grades for Branxton members with a fine scratch score of 92, two shots clear of Singleton GC member Steven Lawrence on 94. Christian Thompson, a new Branxton member, took out the nett event with 71 which was a great recovery after a nervous start on the 1st hole. Dean Clack, playing in the last group of the day took the nett runner up prize with 73.

In the two memorial events, Cameron Johanson's 68 scratch was also his nett score playing off a zero handicap, and this was enough to win the Ted Meyn Memorial Trophy for the best nett score by a Branxton GC member. The Phil Shivnen Memorial Trophy for worst nett score across the field was won by Graeme "G Mac" McFarlane with an epic nett score of 97 off his 17 handicap. All nearest the pins were won across all three grades, with Perrin Gleeson from Maitland GC, playing in the second last group, taking the Pro NTP on the last hole with a great shot to 97cm. A great day was had by all, and the course continues to be a fair test of golf for players of all abilities.

Thanks to:

- All the visiting players for travelling to Branxton to support our Open event.
- Our greenkeeper and his team of volunteers for getting the course ready and in good condition.
- The volunteers who ran the halfway house, or who were spotters or starters on the day.

Finally, thanks to our sponsor of the Branxton Open, Ingal Civil Products. Owner Lee has been a valued sponsor of this event for quite a few years now and we thank him for his support of golf at Branxton Golf Club. Thanks also to Branxton Pro Shop for their ongoing support of the Branxton Open Weekend of Golf.