

**Branxton Golf Club**  
**Saturday, 28 September 2024**  
**Stableford**

Field: 46

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| A Grade Winner: Chris Zawirski 36 pts | 2nd: Steve Eccles 32 pts | 3rd: Steve Ross 31 pts (c/b) |
| B Grade Winner: Mick Martin 36 pts    | 2nd: Geoff Jones 33 pts  | 3rd: Fletcher Sharpe 31 pts  |
| C Grade Winner: Mark Faulkner 41 pts  | 2nd: James Scott 36 pts  | 3rd: Scott Duncan 33 pts     |

**Nearest the Pins**

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| 2nd/11th: Bill Davies 46cm  | 4th: Steve Eccles 246cm |
| 9th/18th: Greg Tearle 289cm | 13th: Not won           |

Balls: Gary Walsh, Garry Taylor, Lennard Porter, Norman Pringle, Kel Mather, Matthew Schnell, Robert Biles, Mark Moylan, Richard Turnbull, Greg Tearle, David Kinch, Bill Davies, Ben George, Andrew George

**Pro's NTP – Garry Taylor 740cm = \$74 Pro shop Voucher**

**Club Veterans Championships Round 2 (Final) Leaderboard**

1st: Mark Faulkner 77 pts (36, 41)    2nd: Geoff Jones 70 pts c/b (36,34)    3rd: Kel Mather 70 pts (38, 32)  
4th: Chris Zawirski 69 pts c/b (35, 34)    5th: Murray Kingston: 69 pts (38, 31)

The Branxton course bit back this week with only 4 players from the field of 46 playing to or playing better than their handicap. Chris Zawirski had the best of the early conditions to post a very good 36 points to take out A grade, four points clear of Steve Eccles on 32 points, with Steve Ross one point further back in third position. In B grade, Mick Martin returned to the winners list with a well put together 36 points. He was three points clear of Geoff Jones on 33 points who took second place, with Fletcher Sharpe taking third on 31 points. Mark Faulkner had the round of the day with 41 points to blow the field away. In his words “I had a day out”. He had a fantastic 22 points on the back nine and his great score also helped him win the 2024 Club Veterans Championships (more details later in the report). Congratulations Mark. James Scott found some long lost form to post 36 points and take second spot, with Scott Duncan also returning to the podium with 33 points. Ted Zawirski holed out from well off the green on the 9th hole to claim a rare 5 point hole. As it turned out it was the second time on the front nine that he had holed out from off the green, much to the “annoyance” of his playing partners. The NTP’s were a bit harder to win today, but Bill Davies stuck it very close on the 2nd hole to 46cm. Steve Eccles claimed the prize on the 4th hole for the second week in a row and Greg Tearle was closest on the 9th hole again, while nobody could land it on the 13th hole today. Garry Taylor took the Pro NTP with a longer distance than normal, but it was close enough to win it.

The final round of the Club Veterans Championships was held today. Mark Faulkner’s brilliant round 2 score of 41 points saw him overtake the field for an excellent two round total of 77 points and claim the victory by a decisive 7 points. A countback was needed for 2nd place, with Geoff Jones getting the prize over Kel Mather after both players totaled 70 points. With two players on 69 points and three on 68 points, it turned to be a keenly fought championship event, with the new format a winner.

The 2024 HRDGA Mixed Pennant competition started on 23/9/24, with Branxton narrowly losing 2 – 1 to Dungog at Kurri Kurri. Information about the 2025 Men’s pennant teams will be released soon.