

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

Field: 41

A Grade	1st: Robert Biles 35 pts	2nd: David Kinch 34 pts	3rd: Ben Bridge 33 pts
B Grade	1st: Murray Kingston 36 pts (c/b)	2nd: Kel Mather 37 pts	3rd: David Hodges 35 pts
C Grade	1st: Robert Miller 36 pts (c/b)	2nd: Matthew Schnell 36 pts (c/b)	3rd: Dean Clack 36 pts

**Nearest the Pins**

2nd/11th: David Kinch 273cm	4th: Not Awarded
9th/18th: Pip Lancaster 304cm	13th: David Kinch 358cm

Balls: Katelyn Keogh, Robert Hale, James Elphick, John Burgess, Geoff Geason, Andrew George, Richard Turnbull, Graham Bull, Stephen Ross, Andrew Keogh, Mick Martin, Gary Walsh

**Pro's NTP – Pip Lancaster 304cm = \$68 Pro shop Voucher**

The last competition for 2024 saw 41 players trying to tame the Branxton layout. The recent hot weather has dried parts of the course out, and getting good value for good shots on the fairways was the reward for the straight hitters today. Robert Biles was the best in A grade and took first place with a well compiled 35 points, one point clear of David Kinch on 34 points. Ben Bridge was in the first group out and took advantage of the early cooler conditions to post 33 points in third place. In B grade, Murray Kingston had a good back nine, including a chip in birdie on the 10th hole to post the winning score of 36 points. His good back nine was enough to see off Kel Mather on a countback, pushing him into second place on the same score. David Hodges was third on 35 points, matching part of the quote on his shirt about being here to play golf. Countbacks were needed to separate the players on the podium in C grade, with three players all scoring 36 points. All three had a great front nine, but Robert Miller played a little better on the back nine to get the win from Matthew Schnell in second place and Dean Clack in third. Steve Ross had the luckiest shot of the day on the 17th hole. Chipping up to the green for his third shot, the ball gently rolled into the legs of one of the ducks (the duck was not injured) that had set themselves up on the green, stopping the ball right next to the hole for a tap in par. Michael Carling has possibly achieved an unwanted record of sorts after scoring a total of 2 points for the front nine. He scored all of these points on the 4th hole, leaving him with 8 “wipes” for the front nine (he added 2 more wipes on the back nine for good measure). David Kinch was the sharpshooter on the par 3's taking two NTP's. Nobody recorded a distance on the 4th hole and Pip Lancaster saved his best shot until the 18th hole to take the NTP and Pro NTP to round off the golfing year.

**Upcoming Events**

Wednesday Twilight golf resumes on New Years Day with a 4:30pm shotgun. The 2025 Summer Cup starts on 11/1/25. Hard copies of the 2025 golf program are available in the club and pro shop and will also be posted on the club website shortly.