<u>Branxton Golf Club</u> <u>Saturday, 1 February 2025</u> <u>Monthly Medal (Men's) - Stroke</u>

Field: 42

Monthly Medal Winner: Ian Howell 70

A Grade 1st: William Davies 71 2nd: Daniel Hutley 72 (c/b) 3rd: Robert Biles 72

B Grade 2nd: Andrew Keogh 71 2nd: Mick Martin 72 3rd: David Hodges 74 (c/b) C Grade 3rd: Katelyn Keogh 71 2nd: Brett Trezise 72 3rd: Robert Miller 73

Nearest the Pins

2nd/11th: Ben George 353cm 4th: Andrew Keogh 262cm 9th/18th: Mick Martin 332cm 13th: Andrew Keogh 332cm

Balls: Steve Eccles, Mick Barrett, David Kinch, Steve Primmer, Geoff Manley, Dean Clack, David Pearce,

Robert Hale, Gary Walsh, Greg Tearle, Garry Taylor, John Burgess

Pro's NTP - Dean Clack 482cm = \$74 Pro shop Voucher

The February men's monthly medal proved to be a stern test of golf, with the course playing quite difficult after the recent rain. Ian Howell was the medal winner with his 70 nett and he was quite the happy camper when he returned to the clubhouse. With the eclectic running today some golfers were able to improve their eclectic score with a birdie or even a par. Others will wait until the March monthly medal to see if they can improve after quite a few scores between 8 and 12 were recorded today across the field. William (Bill) Davies took the prize in A grade after a round of 71. Bill plays very steady golf, and it is no surprise when he produces a consistent round. Daniel Hutley was one of the late starters and posted 72 for second place on a countback from Robert Biles who placed third for the second medal event in a row. Andrew Keogh left his indifferent Wednesday Twilight form at home to post a solid 71 nett to take out B grade. Some might suggest his better play today was due to Katelyn playing in a different group, but I will let him confirm that! Mick Martin was second with 72 with playing partner David Hodges two shots back in third on 74. Dave's approach shot to the 5th green from next to the "bird cage" trees, finishing very close to the hole was one of the shots of the day. Katelyn Keogh continues to improve as she plays more competition golf, and her 71 was enough to take out C grade today. Brett Trezise followed up from last week's great round to post 72 for second. Robert "Shirl" Miller came third with 73, but he will be thinking about what his score might have been after his interesting start. On the 1st hole Shirl lined up his tee shot and was 325m from the hole. When he lined up for his second shot, he was 335m from the hole. Apparently, a large gum tree jumped out in front of his tee shot and bounced it back up behind him. On the par 3's today it was hard to hit it close. Ben George has taken a liking to the 2nd/11th hole, winning the NTP on it again, while Andy Keogh took a real liking to the 4th and then 13th hole, taking the NTP on both. Mick Martin had the closet shot on the 9th, while Dean Clack, after earlier getting a birdie on the 9th, then won his second Pro NTP in 3 weeks on the 18th with a fine shot to end his round on a high.

Pennant Results and Upcoming Events

The Senior Pennant lost their round 1 match 0 - 3 against Denman at Murrurundi on 2/2/25. The B grade team starts on 16/2/25. The 2025 Men's Summer Cup concludes next Saturday 8/2/25. Entries for the 2025 Singles Knockout, sponsored by Mitchell Olsen at Urban Real Estate, are now open and can be made on the entry form in the clubhouse. On Saturday 22/2/25 our first team event for the year will be held – a four ball stableford where only the best 2 scores from the group are counted.