<u>Branxton Golf Club</u> <u>Saturday, 5 April 2025</u> <u>Monthly Medal (Men's) - Stroke</u>

Field: 42

Monthly Medal Winner: Andrew Keogh 70 (c/b)

A Grade 1st: Steve Eccles 71 2nd: Jon Klaile 72 3rd: Steve Ross 73
B Grade 1st: Ed Garland 70 2nd: Mick Martin 71 3rd: Norman Pringle 74
C Grade 1st: Brett Trezise 71 2nd: Lee Jackson 78 3rd: Katelyn Keogh 80

Nearest the Pins

2nd/11th: Neil Jordan 81cm 4th: Tim Lane 430cm 9th/18th: Robert Miller 199cm 13th: Robert Biles 431cm

Balls: Peter Mackenzie, Robert Biles, Murray Kingston, Garry Taylor, Divid Kinch, Ian Howell, Joe Bereza,

Neil Bridge, Murray Johanson, David Hodges, James Elphick, Robert Miller, James Scott

Pro's NTP - Tim Lane 32.5cm = \$66 Pro shop Voucher

After the rain washed out last Saturday's Par 3 Championship event, a lovely sunny autumn day greeted the 42 golfers who took on the April monthly medal. Despite the course being in near perfect condition, no player could beat their handicap. Andrew Keogh set the standard for the day playing in the first group out to post a score of 70 nett, and it turned out to be the best score of the day and see him take the monthly medal. In a rare event these days, he and his two playing partners all carried their golf bags on their back for the round, with no buggy or cart to be seen. Steve Eccles took out A grade with a score of 71 nett that was the proverbial round of two nines. After 9 holes he was 10 over off the stick but found his rhythm on the back nine and came home in an even par 35. Jon Klaile finished second with 72 nett. Jon has just moved to the area and is originally from Finland and had the full Branxton experience in his first round. His 5 iron snapped into two pieces off the first tee but then made an eagle 3 on the 7th hole. Steve Ross finished third with 73 nett. In B grade, Ed Garland won the day with 70 nett, missing out on the medal on a countback. Mick Martin was runner up again in the division with a solid 71 nett, with March medal winner Norm Pringle in third on 74 nett. In C grade, Brett Trezise had a good round of 71 nett to take the win. He was well clear of the rest of the C graders, with Lee Jackson 7 shots back on 78 nett in second, with Katelyn Keogh third with the equivalent of 80 nett. Neil Jordan hit a gem on the 11th hole to take the NTP with 81cm. Robert Biles continues to impress on the par 3's, taking the NTP on the 13th with 431cm, while playing partner Robert Miller took the 9th with 199cm. Tim Lane won it on the 4th with 430cm and also took shot of the day on the last hole, almost holing out with a shot to 32.5cm (very precise \bigcirc) to win the Pro NTP. In the singles knockout, Murray Johanson defeated Mick Martin 1 up midweek, while Dean Clack and Michael Carling had an entertaining match today, with Dean getting up 3 and 2. The match had all the drama that match play can produce, including one hole where the hole was halved after both players scored 9.

Pennant Results and Upcoming Events

The final of the Senior Pennant against Murrurundi was postponed last weekend and was played on 6/4/25 at Denman. Unfortunately the team had a 2-1 loss, but congratulations are still in order for a great season and reaching the final. The women's pennant team had a 4.5-1.5 loss to Hunter Valley at Scone on 24/3/25, while their match against Singleton on 31/3/24 at Dungog was washed out. Round 1 of the men's singles knockout is now completed, with round 2 matches due to be played by 10/5/25. Entry is now open for the pairs knockout. Both knockouts are sponsored by Mitchell Olsen at Urban Real Estate.