

Branxton Golf Club
Saturday, 3 May 2025
Monthly Medal (Men's) - Stroke

Field: 50

Monthly Medal Winner: Ed Garland 69 (c/b)

A Grade	1st: Jon Klaile 69	2nd: Tim Lane 72	3rd: Robert Biles 73 (c/b)
B Grade	1st: Joe Bereza 74	2nd: Neil Jordan 75 (c/b)	3rd: Murray Kingston 75 (c/b)
C Grade	1st: Steven Primmer 77	2nd: Matthew Bain 78	3rd: Graham Bull 80

Nearest the Pins

2nd/11th: Tim Lane 231cm	4th: Chris O'Brien 267cm
9th/18th: Neil Bridge 220cm	13th: Jon Klaile 203cm

Balls: David Kinch, Peter Mackenzie, Mick Barrett, Reece Caldwell, Neil Bridge, Douglas Elphick, Peter Conroy, Garry Taylor, Steve Ross, Greg Tearle, Nick Wheeler, Mark Faulkner, Toby Grant, Kel Mather, Cameron Johanson

Pro's NTP – Neil Bridge 220cm = \$82 Pro shop Voucher

Rain during the week meant there was not much run on the course and heavy conditions in the rough, resulting in some high scoring in the May monthly medal. In a strong field of 50 players, there were many stories of scores of 8 – 13 shared afterwards, with quite a few from players who are used to writing scores of 3, 4 or 5. One player commented after one hole that it was the first time he had scored an 11, and with no penalty shots included. The course rated +1, also indicating that it was a tough day out for many. Ed Garland had no such trouble, winning the May Monthly Medal with an excellent 69 nett. His terrific back nine, including pars on the final three holes, saw him take the medal on a countback from A grade winner Jon Klaile. Jon has done very well since joining the club and he had the best scratch score of the day with 78. Tim Lane continues to perform well in the stroke events, taking out second place in A grade and also taking the NTP on the 2nd/11th hole. Robert Biles consistency saw him take third with 73 nett on a countback from three other players. With Ed winning the medal, the B grade winner was Joe Bereza with a good score of 74 nett. Countbacks were needed for second, third and fourth positions, with Neil Jordan edging out Murray Kingston to take second place, and Murray also edging out Reece Caldwell to take third spot. The course was certainly a challenge for the C grade field today, with Steven Primmer's 77 nett one the highest winning scores in quite a while. Former C grade club champion Matthew Bain returned to competition golf with a second place finish on 78, with Graham Bull's 80 nett enough for third. Chris O'Brien took the NTP on the 3rd, but his driver off the deck around the dam needs some work according to witnesses. Jon Klaile had the accuracy on the 13th hole, while Neil Bridge finished on a high, taking the NTP and ProNTP on the last hole with a fine shot to 220cm. In the final match of round 2 in the singles knockout, current Club Champion Cameron Johanson defeated Matthew Schnell 5/4, while Nick Wheeler defeated Dean Clack on the 1st sudden death hole in a closely fought match. Nick is the first player into the semi finals. The silent auction fundraiser finished on Saturday afternoon, with some amazing support shown on the final day. The golf operations committee has raised over \$8000 as a result of the auction, and we thank all participants and congratulations to the winners of golf at the courses made available to us. Winners in the auction will be contacted by the new Club President, Murray Johanson during the week.

Upcoming Events

Round 3 of the singles knockout is now underway, and next Saturday 10/5/25 is the final day to enter the pairs knockout. Both knockouts are sponsored by Mitchell Olsen at Urban Real Estate. Advance notice that the Club 2 Man Ambrose Championships will be held on Saturday 24 May.