

Branxton Golf Club
Saturday, 7 June 2025
Monthly Medal (Men's) - Stroke

Field: 54

Monthly Medal Winner: Stephen Ross 67

A Grade	1st: Steve Eccles 72	2nd: Michael Simpson 75 (c/b)	3rd: David Kinch 75
B Grade	1st: Graham Cole 76	2nd: Geoff Jones 77	3rd: Robert Hale 78
C Grade	1st: Jeremy Brown 68	2nd: Kyden Maytom 73 (c/b)	3rd: Ed Garland 73

Nearest the Pins

2nd/11th: Ben Porter 274cm	4th: Not Awarded
9th/18th: Neil Jordan 190cm	13th: Steve Ross 115cm

Balls: Richard Crooks, Dean Clack, Mick Barrett, Robert Miller, John Bowen, Peter Conroy, Doug Elphick, Ben Bridge, Ben Porter, Chris Zawirski, Mark Faulkner, Garry Taylor, Ian Howell, Ashton Johansen, Robert Biles, Brett Trezise

Pro's NTP – Neil Jordan 190cm = \$90 Pro shop Voucher

Clear blue skies greeted the June monthly medal field of 54 golfers. As the morning progressed the wind certainly picked up, creating an extra challenge for the field with course rated at +2 once all the scores were in. On a day where consistent and steady play in windy conditions was needed, Club Captain Steve Ross showed the way with an impressive 67 nett to win the monthly medal. As the wind picked up his game improved, scoring 37 off the stick on the back nine. Steve Eccles was another to have a solid day out, winning A grade with a very handy 72 nett. There was at least one triple bogey in that score, so he was thereabouts for the remainder of his round. Mick Simpson returned to competition play with a solid 75 nett to take second place on a countback from David Kinch in third on the same score. The B grade division was fairly close despite the higher scoring. Graham Cole was out early and set the benchmark at 76 nett and it turned out to be enough to win the grade. Geoff Jones was one shot back in second on 77 nett, with Bob Hale in third on 78 nett. Jeremy Brown had a fantastic first competition round to easily win C grade with an excellent 68 nett, including a birdie on the 12th hole. He was 5 shots clear of playing partner Kyden Maytom on 73 nett on a countback from the May medal winner Ed Garland on the same score. Mick Carling won the prize for landing your tee shot nearest to John Burgess' back fence off the 1st tee, while Kel Mather is apparently still wondering where his tee shot on the 16th landed after a slight miscue and unfortunate rebound off the railings on the steps. Ben Porter took the NTP on the 2nd hole with a great shot to 274cm, while Steve Ross landed his tee shot on the 13th in a great position, only 115cm from the pin, to take shot of the day. Neil Jordan raised the bat today, but a great shot on the last to take the NTP and Pro NTP had him smiling back in the clubhouse.

Thanks to all players today for keeping carts in the designated areas. This helps the course recover as quickly as possible. Players are reminded that temporary local rules are in place after the wet weather. Always check the local rules board carefully before heading out to play.

Next weekend is the 2025 Branxton Open weekend of golf, and we thank our major sponsor for both days **ACE Mechanical Solutions** for coming on board in 2025. On Saturday 14/6/25 there is a 2BBB medley stableford event plus singles in conjunction. The 2025 Men's Branxton Open (a HRDGA order of merit event), will be played on Sunday 15/6/25. There are tee times left for both days, but the Open is almost full. Good luck to all players next weekend.

In the pairs knockout today, Dean Clack and Steve Ross defeated Andrew and Ben George 4 and 3. Robert Biles and Steve Eccles got out to an early lead and held on to defeat Geoff Jones and Nick Wheeler 2 and 1. All remaining round 1 pairs knockout and round 3 singles knockout matches are due to be played on or by 21 June. The knockouts are sponsored by **Mitchell Olsen at Urban Real Estate**.