

Branxton Golf Club
Saturday, 16 August 2025
Monthly Medal (Men's) – Stroke
Sponsored by IGA Branxton

Field: 52

Monthly Medal Winner: Cameron Johanson 70

A Grade	1st: Nick Wheeler 71 (c/b)	2nd: David Pearce 71	3rd: Mick Barrett 72 (c/b)
B Grade	1st: Peter Conroy 76	2nd: Murray Kingston 77	3rd: John Burgess 80 (c/b)
C Grade	1st: Nicholas Redgrove 71	2nd: Katelyn Keogh 76 (c/b)	3rd: Norm Pringle 76

Nearest the Pins

2nd/11th: Robert Hale 122cm	4th: Ben Porter 206cm
9th/18th: John Burgess 245cm	13th: Not Awarded

Eagle's Nest: Ben Porter (16th)

Balls: Ben Porter, Toby Grant, Matthew Schnell, Graham Bull, Lee Jackson, Greg Tearle, Peter Mackenzie, Robert Miller, Mark Moylan, Tim Whitney, Pip Lancaster, Joe Bereza, Mark Faulkner, Chris Zawirski, Robert Biles, Bill Davies

Pro's NTP – Mick Barrett 506cm = \$84 Pro shop Voucher

Pro Comp – Back 9

1st: Nick Wheeler 2nd: Mick Barrett

Balls: Matthew Schnell, Lee Jackson, Robert Miller, Cameron Johanson, Graham Bull, Chris Zawirski, Ben Porter, Robert Hale, David Pearce, Nick Redgrove, Robert Biles, Greg Tearle

The rescheduled August monthly medal, sponsored by **IGA Branxton** attracted a good field of 52 players on a day where yet again shooting close to your handicap proved to be a challenge. Current Club champion Cameron Johanson had one of his best rounds for a while shooting 71 off the stick thus leaving him with 70 nett to win the monthly medal by one stroke. Cameron has been working with a new driver, and it looks like it was certainly working in this round. In A grade Nick Wheeler had a brilliant back nine of 39 to take first place with 71 nett on a countback from David "DJ" Pearce. DJ had an impressive front nine but couldn't quite keep it going on the back nine. Mick Barrett was another to finish strongly and took third place with 72 nett. The B grade field struggled for some reason today, but the contest was still tight despite the higher scores. Peter Conroy continues to live around the cut line between B and A grade, and today his 76 nett was enough to win B grade. His pairs knockout partner Murray Kingston finished with 77 nett to come second, with John Burgess 3 shots back in third place on 80 nett. Nicholas Redgrove was the clear standout player in C grade today, winning the grade with 71 nett. Nick had a very good front nine and continued to play steadily to win the grade by 5 shots. Katelyn Keogh shot 6 over her handicap as did Norm Pringle, with Katelyn taking second place on a countback leaving Norm in third. The Eagles nest was won this week by Ben Porter, who had an eagle 3 on the par 5 16th hole. As I was away on Saturday I don't have the full details, but I'm sure Benny will go through it practice swing by practice swing with anyone who wants to know how he did it. You could also ask Benny how he managed to score 10 on the 14th hole – funny game, golf. In the NTP's Bob Hale was the best of the bunch with a NTP of 122cm on the 2nd/11th. Ben Porter started his round well, taking the prize on the 4th hole with 206cm, while John Burgess played the 9th hole best, hitting it to 245cm. Mick Barrett finished his day on a high, taking the Pro NTP on the last hole with 506cm.

Once again, we would like to thank IGA Branxton for their sponsorship and support for today's event.

A big thank you to John "JD" Dunningham and Nick Dunningham for giving up their time to run the halfway house on Saturday. We greatly appreciate your help and support. In knockout matches played today, sponsored by **Mitchell Olsen at Urban Real Estate**, Nick Wheeler defeated Robert Biles and Cameron Johanson defeated Geoff Jones in the singles knockout semi finals. Unfortunately, I don't have the scores. Nick and Cameron will now play in the final and best of luck to both players. In the pairs event, Norm Pringle and Greg Tearle defeated the 2024 pairs knockout winners Peter Conroy and Murray Kingston 1 up (19th hole). It must have been a very close match with it needing to go to extra holes to get a winner.

The next rescheduled championship event is the Par 3 championships being held on 30 August. We thank the Johanson family for their continued sponsorship of this event. Advance notice that entries for the club Seniors Championships, played over two rounds in September, will open at the end of the month. This event is for players 50 years old or over, and who have played in at least 5 individual competition events during 2025. Note that this event is separate from any Thursday Vets events and competition rounds with Thursday Vets do not count towards the qualification criteria. Further information will be available on the club noticeboard in the upcoming weeks.

With more wet weather forecast, players should check the local rules board before playing each competition event, and with the pro shop for up to date cart conditions.