

Branxton Golf Club
Saturday, 23 August 2025
Stableford

Field: 34

A Grade	1st: Ben Bridge 35	2nd: Bill Davies 34	3rd: Craig Howe 33
B Grade	1st: Murray Kingston 36	2nd: Ed Garland 29 (c/b)	3rd: Joe Bereza 29
C Grade	1st: Matthew Schnell 38	2nd: Norm Pringle 34	3rd: Nicholas Redgrove 32

Nearest the Pins

2nd/11th: Steven Primmer 143cm	4th: Ben Bridge 182cm
9th/18th: Greg Tearle 331cm	13th: Not Awarded

Balls: Graham Bull, Gary Walsh, David Pearce, Robert Hale, Steve Ross, Peter Conroy, James Elphick, Neil Jordan, Robert Miller, David Kinch

Pro's NTP – Greg Tearle 331cm = \$60 Pro shop Voucher

Pro Comp – Front 9

1st: Ben Bridge 2nd: Craig Howe

Balls: Bill Davies, Mark Faulkner, Murray Kingston, David Pearce

Scoring was again at a premium today as 34 golfers took on a course that was still very wet underfoot after Thursday's deluge topped off another week of rain. Even with a few course adjustments to compensate for the impact of the rain we had this week, the course rated +2 for the second week in a row. Ben Bridge had a steady day out and won A grade with 35 points. Bill Davies was as consistent as ever to post 34 points for second place, with Craig Howe back in action and on the podium in third on 33 points. Murray Kingston lapped the field in B grade with a very good winning score of 36 points. Perhaps his strategy of preparing for a wet track by playing in the rain on Thursday morning was the key. He was seven points clear of Ed Garland in second place with 29 points, which included a monster putt on the 14th hole for a 4 pointer. It needs to be noted that Neil Jordan almost matched Ed with the very next shot when he hit the pin from off the green, but unluckily the ball did not drop in. Joe Bereza popped up in the top 3 again with his 29 points. In C grade, Matthew Schnell had the best score of the day and the only player to better their handicap with an excellent 38 points to take the win. Norm Pringle, fresh off making the pairs knockout final last week, continued with some good form to finish second with 34 points. Nick Redgrove is also finding some consistent form and came third with 32 points. Graham Bull and Mal Crossley demonstrated an example of "good cart golf" today, both placing their tee shots on the 11th hole very close to each other.....in the reeds in the creek just short of the bridge 😊 Robert "Bobby" Hale certainly had the trick shot of the day. His tee shot on the 17th hole managed to hit one of the red markers on the 8th tee; a very good effort to hit such a small target. While his ball ricocheted quite high off the marker and landed safely a bit further along the hole, the fact that he was also able to make the red marker flip over with his ball and land back in its original position that had his playing partners very impressed. The scuff marks on the marker and his ball were quite impressive. In the NTP's, Steven Primmer hit a gen on the 11th hole to 143cm to record the best NTP of the day. Ben Bridge was able to get it close on the 4th hole, but yet again nobody could find the green off the 13th tee. Greg Tearle had a great end to his day, claiming the NTP on the 9/18th plus take the Pro NTP with a solid shot to 331cm.

The rescheduled Par 3 championships are on next Saturday, 30 August. We thank the Johanson family for their continued sponsorship of this event. With some dry weather finally forecast, hopefully the par 3 course will be in good condition and the usual tee areas will be right to use. Look out for some exciting news about the annual Whitelaw/McDonald Day, with the revised date now being Friday, 7 November.