

Branxton Golf Club
Saturday, 27 September 2025
Stableford

Field: 44

A Grade 1st: Steve Ross 36	2nd: Robert Biles 34	3rd: Greg Tearle 32 (c/b)
B Grade 1st: Chris O'Brien 34 (c/b)	2nd: David Hodges 34	3rd: Mick Barrett 33
C Grade 1st: Michael Carling 41	2nd: John Bowen 35	3rd: Garry Taylor 34

Nearest the Pins

2nd/11th: Joe Bereza 240cm	4th: Mick Martin 469cm
9th/18th: Robert Hale 146cm	13th: Gary Walsh 267cm

Balls: Murray Kingston, Nick Wheeler, Mick Martin, Matthew Schnell, John Burgess, Richard Crooks, Kel Mather, Norm Pringle, Richard Turnbull, Neil Bridge, Dean Clack, Lachlan Elphick, Reece Caldwell

Pro's NTP – Scott Duncan 155cm = \$68 Pro shop Voucher

Pro Comp – Back Nine

1st: Steve Ross 2nd: Mick Martin

Balls: Chris O'Brien, Lachlan Elphick, Mick Barrett, Murray Kingston, Robert Biles, John Burgess, Matthew Schnell, Greg Tearle

Club Seniors Championships Round 2 Leaderboard

<i>Seniors Champion: Michael Carling 69 pts</i>	Runner Up: Steve Ross 67 pts
3rd: Garry Taylor 65 pts	4th Nick Wheeler 64 pts
5th: Richard Crooks 63 pts	

Benign conditions greeted the 44 players who took on the stableford event and Round 2 of the Seniors Championships. Club Captain Steve Ross took out A grade with 36 points, his best score for quite a while. Robert Biles also returned to form with 34 points to place second, with Greg Tearle a further 2 points back on 32 in third place. In B grade it was Chris O'Brien's day, taking out the division on 34 points on a countback from playing and cart partner David Hodges on the same score. Dave might be ruing one of his shots on the 15th hole, where a very loud "Oh No" was heard after what must have been a shot that didn't quite go where he was planning on. Dave was also celebrating his birthday today, so many happy returns. Ian Howell is also celebrating his 80th birthday over the weekend – congratulations! Mick Barrett picked up third place in B grade with 33 points. Michael Carling had one of the best rounds of his life today, posting 41 points (with 2 wipes) and easily winning C grade. He had an incredible 26 points on the front nine (38 off the stick) and was apparently sinking putts from everywhere on and off the green. When golf is going your way, it is a great feeling. John Bowen's 35 points would have been good enough to win over the past few weeks but was only good enough for second place today. Garry Taylor also had a good front nine before finishing with 34 points for third place. Robert Miller chose the path of glory by choosing to hit his ball out of the mud in the penalty area on the 7th hole rather than take a drop, and he was successful in removing the ball out of the penalty area and some mud onto his clothes. Richie Turnbull managed to get his ball to land on a spot on the 11th hole that allowed it to bounce over the bunker and safely onto the green.

The NTP's were shared around today, with Joe Bereza taking the 2nd/11th with 240cm. Mick Martin did well to keep it on the 4th with 469cm, while Gary Walsh got it a little closer on the 13th with a great shot to 267cm. Robert "Bob" Hale ended his day well with a wonderful shot into the 18th, stopping it 146cm from the hole and making the birdie putt. Scott Duncan was quite happy that Bob wasn't in the Pro NTP as he would have taken it off him. It meant Scott picked up the pro shop voucher with another great shot to 155cm.

Round 2 (final round) of the Club Seniors Championships was also held today. The event was still wide open after round 1, but Mick Carling's fantastic round catapulted him to the winning score with 69 points, with Steve Ross the runner up with 67 points. A full set of scores for the Seniors Championships will be posted on the club website. Congratulations to Mick – a fantastic second round and a worthy winner.

Mixed pennants got underway last week, with Branxton defeating The Vintage 2 – 1 at Scone. Leanne Daniels was on fire in her match with Greg Tearle, helping them to a great win over a team that had been undefeated in 2 years. Branxton has the Bye in Round 2.

The Men's and Women's Club Championships are now less than 2 weeks away. The women's championships will be held on the 8th, 15th and 22nd of October. The men's are on the 11th, 12th, 18th and 19th of October. **It is responsibility of individual players to ensure that they have met the eligibility rules for these events.** Daily competitions are held in conjunction with the club championships.

Wednesday Twilight golf starts up again on Wednesday 8 October, with registrations from 4pm for a 4:30pm shotgun start. All welcome and presentations occur straight after in the clubhouse.

With daylight savings starting on 5/10/25 Tee times for Saturday competitions (and the Sunday rounds of the club championships) will change. During daylight savings the first available tee time will be at 6:30am, with the last morning tee time at 8:30am.