



PANNAL GOLF CLUB

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Congratulations to Andy North and Janet Jones who have been nominated as the new Men's and Ladies' Vice-Captains for 2020-21. They will take up their duties following the March AGM.

It has been a busy couple of weeks at Pannal over the festive period. There was a very appropriate name at the top of the leaderboard on 28 December when Derek Christmas (19) and his partner Rick Warburton (6) were the winners of the 4BBB stableford competition with 33 points over 13 holes. They beat Rob Farnell (17) and Alan North (8) on countback, though Alan was unlucky to miss out on a hole in one on the third hole by millimetres. Andrew Booth (14) and Tony Booth (16) were the best of 6 pairs on 30 points for third place, ahead of Rob Booth (5) and Brian Hemingway (15) in fourth and Roger Emmett (8) and John Jones (9) for the last of the prizes in fifth. There were only 6 twos, so a good Twos' Club dividend this week.

The New Year's Eve Party was a thoroughly enjoyable night to round off a great year at Pannal. After a superb meal, and a quiz about the decade just ending, the dance floor was full all night in advance of a rousing rendition of "Auld Lang Syne" as the clock struck midnight. A good number of bleary-eyed revellers returned to the club a few hours later to take part in a Team Texas Scramble over 13 holes for the Hangover Trophy on New Year's Day. Fortified by bucks fizz and a bacon roll, 17 teams headed out for the shot-gun start. The winners of the trophy this year were Rebecca and Rob Booth and Amanda and William Dunn with a superb net 37.8. In second place for the second successive year were Steve Taylor and Mark Homer, together with David Whan and Alex Houghton, with net 42.0. In third place, just 0.1 behind, were Maire and John Tiernan and Sue and Graham Holden. Thanks to everyone who supported the event, which once again proved to be a great way to start the new golfing year.

There was a full field and some great scoring on Saturday 4th January for the 4BBB stableford competition over 15 holes. Gary Macnair (12) and Philip O'Connor (10) were awarded third place on countback with 37 points ahead of Vince Chambers (9) and Ron Potts (13), and James Gardiner (12) and James Hall (13). Nigel Wright (8) and Ian Latham (20) set an early target of 38 points which remained top of the leaderboard for most of the day, but they were ultimately beaten into second place on countback by later starters Chris Hastings (4) and Richard Hawley (16) with the same score. There were only 5 twos, so an excellent Twos' Club Dividend this week.

During the year, the weekly "Roll-up" is a very popular way of turning up to play competitive golf with a variety of fellow members. On Wednesday 18th December, there was an excellent turnout for the climax of the year, a 4BBB stableford competition played over 13 holes for the Brian Clarke Memorial Cup. The winners were Art Severn (19) for the second successive year and Adrian Lowe (18) with 37 points, 3 points ahead of Ian McNeill (16) and Michael Reevey (16). The golf was followed by an excellent Christmas lunch and presentation of the trophy.

