



## PANNAL GOLF CLUB

### HARROGATE ADVERTISER REPORT

#### THURSDAY 1<sup>st</sup> AUGUST 2019

The weekend's dismal weather deterred a good number of competitors from entering Saturday's Texas Scramble, but 17 teams braved the wet conditions and scores were surprisingly good. The format was medal in teams of four off 20% aggregate handicap, with each player having to contribute at least three drives. An eagle and nine birdies resulted in the day's best gross score of 61 by the low handicap quartet of Paul Salem, Michael Crack, Jonathan Plowman and Richard Weddall, but their net 56.4 was out of the prizes in sixth place. Third place was taken by Steve Drinkwater, John Jones, Roger Emmett and Richard Sharp with eight birdies overall in a perfectly balanced 32 on each half for gross 64, net 56.0. The top two teams both had 9 birdies in gross 63 less 9 handicap allowance for net 54.0, so it was down to a closely contested countback calculation to determine the final placings. Winners were Richard Goodall, Dan Hartley, Richard Little plus Julian Graham-Rack who was also part of last week's winning pair. Just edged into second place were Matt Thompson, Chris Hastings, Simon Stalker and Philip Cave.

Tuesday's Ladies' Stableford was played in much better weather. Silver Division saw a three way tie at the top on 35 points, won on countback by Olivia Jackson (+1) from Moira Rusling (13) in second place and Ali Gould (12) in third. Olivia had one of the day's 5 twos, but hers was an eagle at the par 4 18<sup>th</sup> hole for 4 points which was ultimately crucial in the countback calculation. Bronze Division was won in convincing fashion by Maire Tiernan (23) with 41 points, the day's best score across all divisions. Amanda Dunn (27) was second with 38 points and Rebecca Booth (28) third with 33 points. Those ladies who were eligible were also playing for the Grannies' Cup, so congratulations to Maire Tiernan who will hold this trophy for the next 12 months. The nine hole Green Course stableford was won by Sheila Kennerley (27) with 16 points, 3 points ahead of Alison Roscoe (29) in second place.

Congratulations to Susan Taylor who had her first career hole in one on Thursday on the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole whilst playing social golf with friends.

Thursday saw the second Bob Rushworth Memorial Day, in memory of one of Pannal's stalwart members who died last year. The day consisted of an away match against Blackburn's Pleasington Golf Club, where Bob was a very successful member in his younger golfing years. Eighteen pairs from each club competed in a shotgun-start stableford competition, followed by a meal and prizegiving in the evening. Pleasington's representatives won most of the individual prizes, and also convincingly won the main team competition 13-5 following Pannal's narrow victory last year. Pannal will have the opportunity to win it back when the event returns to Yorkshire next year, which also raised £2,500 for the British Heart Foundation.

Last Sunday's Open Stableford was won by John Ellacott (11) with 40 points, a point ahead of Mike Needham (12) in second place, with Richard Topham third on 37 points.

Congratulations to Pannal's team of Ollie White, Dan White and Will Eardley who retained their position in the top division of the County Team Championship last Wednesday at Huddersfield Golf Club. They

finished in an excellent 5th place out of 18 Clubs competing with a combined 36 hole gross score of 448. Also a big thanks to Team Manager Will Caldecott for organising and looking after the team.

Congratulations also to the quartet of Tony Robinson, Rob Memmott, Sue Severn and Art Severn who have qualified for the final of the National Club Team Championships to be held at Woodall Spa in August as part of England Golf Week. They finished fourth in the Northern Regional qualifying event at Moor Allerton GC, and look forward to two days at the National Centre of Golf competing against 19 other mixed teams from throughout England.



Susan Taylor getting a hole in one on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Hole



Men's Captain Neil Douglas (right) handing over the Bob Rushworth Memorial Trophy to Pleasington's Vice-Captain