



PANNAL GOLF CLUB

HARROGATE ADVERTISER REPORT

Pannal Ladies enjoyed playing in beautiful warm sunshine under clear blue skies on Tuesday.....and then they woke up! Unfortunately, it was all a dream as Monday's melting snow meant that the course was closed, causing the cancellation of the final round of the Winter Trophy. This competition has now been decided on the best aggregate score from two, rather than the scheduled three rounds, using December and January's results based over a 9 hole course. The clear winner of this year's Winter Trophy is Amanda Finney (31) with an aggregate 35 points from the two rounds, 6 points clear of her nearest rivals. Pam Dodds (12) was runner-up with 29 points, just edging Sandra Taylor (9) into third place on countback. Well done to all the ladies who supported this winter's competition, with all qualifying rounds played in very difficult weather.

The arrival of Storm Jorge also caused the cancellation of Saturday's competition, and all members will be hoping that spring heralds something significantly better than the wettest autumn and winter on record. The Pro's Shop's state of the art indoor golf studio has proved a very popular way of keeping the swing going, and playing on some of the world's most challenging courses courtesy of the Foresight Sports Golf Simulator.

Pannal welcomes newcomers to the game of golf and has established the Pannal Academy comprehensive coaching programme aimed at encouraging beginners to acquire a handicap as soon as possible. The 2020 Pannal Academy commences from May 2020 and coaching will take place on most Thursdays and Sundays until the end of September. As in previous years there will be 2 available options: Beginners and Intermediate. Both options include unlimited use of the practice ground and access to the Club House facilities for the duration of the Academy programme. Limited places are available, and to book a place in the Academy or to obtain further information about session dates etc, please email office@pannalgc.co.uk or telephone David on 01423 872628.

Despite there being no competitive golf during the past week, there was at least a warm welcome in the clubhouse. Pannal's talented chefs presented some amazing sweet and savoury pancakes on Pancake Tuesday, and a tasting menu of seven beautifully prepared dishes for Friday's popular Thai Bistro Evening. This week they are celebrating British Pie Week, breathing new life into this traditional culinary staple. As we approach the AGM, marking the end of a successful year for Pannal Golf Club, the outgoing Captains Joy Bowler and Neil Douglas will host the final social event of their year on Saturday 14th March with entertainment provided by Cris Quammie – The Soul Sensation.