



PANNAL GOLF CLUB

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The first of this season's men's trophies was decided on Saturday, when a large field played an 18 hole medal competition for the Centenary Porringer. A gusty wind, fast greens and some cunning pin positions proved too tough for many, but nearly forty players equalled or beat the CSS of 73. Chris Hastings (4) had the day's best gross of 73, but he and two others on net 69 ultimately finished outside the top five. Graham Lockwood (11) and Stephen Duffy (15) had net 68 for fifth and fourth places respectively. Both Will Holt (8) and David Hartley (11) must have thought they had one hand on the trophy with net 67 but had to settle for third and second places. Congratulations to Paul Chumas (19) who had the round of his life with a superb net 62 to win the Centenary Porringer by 5 shots, also earning a 3 shot reduction in handicap.

Another trophy was won on Sunday when a reformatted Mixed Foursomes took place. Normally this competition is matchplay knockout played between April and September, but for this year only it was changed to pairs better ball stableford, where 17 of the 30 competing pairs returned scores in excess of 40 points. Third place went to Clare and Max Davies with 45 points, a point behind Vicky Eyre and Peter Bowerman. But pride of place went to this year's Vice Captains Janet Jones and Andy North with an outstanding score of 49 points. Ladies' Captain Annie Burke presented the winners with the Francis Barber Trophy.



Last Saturday saw 93 pairs take part in a closely contested 4BBB stableford competition with half the field scoring 40 points or more. Winners were Tim Matthews (9) and James Matthews (5) with 47 points on countback from Anthony McGibbon (12) and Stephen Corrie (10). Jason Taylor (1) and Alex Carter (5) were a point behind in third place, edging Robbie Smith (9) and Mike Smith (6) into fourth with the same score. Malcolm Taylor (8) and Roger Emmett (9) had a superb back nine to claim fifth place on 45 points.

In Tuesday's Ladies' Stableford, Amanda Finney (31) won Division Bronze B with 31 points, on countback from Ann Clarke (29) in second place, with Martine Phipps (30) 2 points behind in third. Division Bronze A was won by Margaret McNeill (21) with 37 points, 3 points ahead of Helen Mountford (21) in second place and Gillian Whiting (27) third on 32 points. Vicky Eyre (17) was the best of three players on 34 points for third place in Silver Division, 2 points behind Susan Taylor (16) in second. A stunning eagle 2 on the hardest fifth hole helped junior member Rachel Memmott win the Division comfortably with an excellent 39 points, also reducing her handicap by 2 shots to a career-best 12. For those ladies who were eligible, the competition also determined this year's winner of the Grannies' Cup, so congratulations to Susan Taylor who wins the trophy for the second time. The nine hole Green Course stableford was won by Jean Stanford (33) with 15 points, a point ahead of Glenda Dinning (37) in second.

Thursday's Mixed Stableford was won by Ian Davison (8) with 42 points, a point ahead of Leigh Skinner (21) in second place. Andrew Kent (5) was the best of three players on 40 points, ahead of Chris Hastings (4) and Callum Macnair (8). In last Sunday's Mixed Stableford, there was a four-way tie at the top with 39 points. A very tight countback calculation saw Graham Lockwood (12) victorious from Jason Taylor (1) in second place, Alistair How (16) third and Mark Henderson (16) fourth.

Pannal's Junior section continues to produce good results and rapidly improving handicaps. Last Sunday's Junior stableford was won by Freddie Eyre (16) with 38 points, a point ahead of Oli Abbott (2) in second place and Tara Phipps (12) third with 36 points. Tara had another third place in Wednesday's Junior stableford with 39 points, a point behind Jack Batty (28) in second. Adam Otto secured his first victory with 41 points and a 2 shot handicap reduction to 21.

Peter Ingham (22) was the comfortable winner of the third Captains' Night with an excellent 32 points from the 13 holes. There was a hotly contested battle for second place with Ian Davison (8) beating Paul Addle (19) on countback, both players on 29 points. The top two each week qualify for August's final where the eventual winner will win the Chadwick Trophy.