

# West Bradford Golf Club

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Dear Club Member,

Merry Christmas everyone. The Christmas spirit has gotten hold of us all here at West Bradford HQ! I've even allowed emoji's to be printed in this week's newsletter!

This will be the last Weekly Newsletter of 2025, so I'd like to wish you and your families a very merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year.

The Christmas Day tee sheet is open to members only, and of course The Clubhouse itself will be open on Christmas Day between 10am and 2pm for those wanting to show off their brand-new Christmas golf jumpers!

A big thank you to everyone who has helped us to make 2025 another successful year of golf here at West Bradford.

The next newsletter will be on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> January.

Enjoy your Christmas holidays,

**Damian**

**Damian Connearn**  
**West Bradford Club Manager**



## Upcoming Events

### December 21

Sunday Swindle Christmas Lunch & Prizegiving

### December 29

The Xmas Trip at WBGC

### January 30

The Ladies Annual Dinner

### February 6

The Annual Dinner

## Other News

### Bunkers – Rake & Place

With no heavy rain forecast, bunkers are back in play for the weekend. Bunkers will be "Rake & Place".

### Sign-In Thursday's

Members chose their tee times for the next consecutive three Saturdays at last night's Sign-In Evening.

A limited amount of Saturday tee times are still available for members to book online. The tee sheet for this coming Saturday (20<sup>th</sup> Dec) will open at 6pm tonight as usual. The tee sheet for the following two Saturday's (27<sup>th</sup> Dec and 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan) will open at 9am on the Friday prior.

### **The Kids Christmas Party**

The Kid's Christmas Party took place last Sunday at The Clubhouse. It was a great day for all, as Father Christmas made an appearance and everyone enjoyed the indoor bouncy castle!

A big thank you to everyone who helped make the day a success and to everyone who came along.

### **Turkey Collection**

Turkey Trot winners will be able to collect their Christmas Turkeys from The Clubhouse from Monday (22/12). The turkeys will be available to collect from 10am onwards.

### **Members Own Buggies**

Members own buggies have been banned from most of the course recently due to the wet ground conditions.

We are however allowing those members who cannot play without a buggy to continue playing a three hole circuit – holes 1, 2 and 18 – until further notice.

### **The Xmas Trip at West Bradford Golf Club**

The Xmas Trip at West Bradford – a Shotgun Start competition held between Christmas and New Year each year – will be on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> December this year.

The competition is open to all, the entry fee is £25, which includes a bacon sandwich, tea and coffee before golf and a two-course meal afterwards. Add your name to the list in the '19<sup>th</sup>'.

### **The Swindle Christmas Lunch**

The Swindle Christmas Lunch and Prizegiving is on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December. Anyone who has 'swindled' at any point over the summer is very welcome to come along.

Add your name to the list in the '19<sup>th</sup> Hole' if you want to attend.

### **Golfing Gift Vouchers**

Golfing gift vouchers are available for those still looking for last minute presents. You can buy vouchers for lessons, standard Pro Shop vouchers or vouchers for food and drink in The Clubhouse. Visit <https://westbradfordgolfclub.co.uk/golfing-gift-vouchers> for more information.

### **Play your Cards Right**

Rob Edden was picked to Play his Cards Right at last night's Sign-In Evening. Unfortunately for Rob, he didn't!

The prize pot rolls over yet again!



## **Competition Results**

**The results of Saturday's Competition – A 4BBB Stableford - were as follows:-**

### **Winners**

**C. McLaren & J. Pollard**

**37 pts**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Place**

**D. Potts & P. Brannan**

**37 pts (c/b)**

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Place**

**K. Hardaker & G. Porter**

**37 pts**

### **4<sup>th</sup> Place**

**M. Chang & C. Musgrave**

**36 pts**

### **5<sup>th</sup> Place**

**S. Cox & L. Innes**

**36 pts**

## Christmas Opening Hours

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Date	The Clubhouse	The Golf Course	The Pro Shop
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	11.30am – 4.00pm	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm
Tue 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	11.30am–4.00pm	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.30am–4.00pm	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm
Thu 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am–2.00pm	<b>MEMBERS ONLY</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>CLOSED</b>	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.30am – 9.00pm	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.30am – 4.00pm	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.30am – Late	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm
Tue 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.30am – 4.00pm	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm
Wed 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	11.30am – 4.00pm	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm
Thu 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	<b>CLOSED</b>	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	11.30am – 4.00pm	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	11.00am – 9.00pm	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	11.30am – 4.00pm	OPEN	8.00am – 4.00pm

## In It To Win It

This week was a bumper week with 3 draws to cover Christmas and New Year.

The draw for this week was won by **John Driver**, who received **£78**.

The draw for Christmas Day was won by **Andy Earnshaw** who received **£100**.

The draw for New Year's Day was won by **Keith Sutcliffe** who also received **£100**.

Well done to all the winners and thank you to everyone for their continued support, we have raised £17 short of £3000 for the Club over the 38 weeks.

Also, one fact for all those interested.....

After 38 weeks there have been 19 draws below 100 and 19 draws above 100 !!

Enjoy your Christmas and Happy New Year to you all.

**Jacko**

**Peter Jackson**  
**Vice President**

## Captain's Comments

This Saturdays competition is in aid of the Captains Charity.

£1 is added to the entrance fee, to be donated to Motor Neurone Disease charity (MNDA)

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

**Simon**

**Simon Major  
Club Captain**

## Handicaps & Competitions

### Saturday's Competition

- 4BBB Christmas Charity Stableford
- Entry Fee will be £5 per person (plus 2's) with £1 of the entry fee going to the Captain's chosen charity which is Motor Neurone Disease
- 15 holes in play due to available daylight hours
- Holes 4, 5 and 9 out
- Qualifier for the Winter League
- Yellow Tees (Red for Ladies)
- 85% of Handicap
- Fairway Mats everywhere
- Bunkers Rake & Place
- Trolleys are still allowed but carry if you can
- If using a Trolley, please reduce the weight of your bag as much as possible by removing items you don't need
- Please swap to Winter Wheels if you have them

### Sunday Swindle – Christmas Golf And Lunch

This week is the Sunday Swindle Christmas Lunch and Prize giving. Anyone who has 'swindled' at any point over the summer is very welcome to come along for the lunch and festivities. Please add your name to the list in the '19th Hole' if you want to attend.

The Sunday Swindle golf will take place beforehand, so meet as normal at 8.30 on the 1st Tee, draw to be made at 8.45am. All are very welcome.

### Signing On for Saturday 27th December And 3rd January

A reminder that due to the way Thursdays fall for the next 2 weeks over the Christmas period, bookings for 27th December and 3rd January started on Thursday night 19th December. But if you

weren't able to make it to the Club last night, you can book online as normal but BRS will be open at 9am Friday 26th December and 2nd January, rather than the usual 6pm.

Thank you and a very Merry Christmas to everybody.

**Sandra**

**Sandra Pearson**  
**Handicaps Chairman**

## **Greens**

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all,

Just a little reminder to you all to repair pitch marks. Use your winter mats and try to keep away from wet areas around the course. Please also carry if possible.

Doing all of the above helps keep the course open in the winter months.

The greens are extremely good for the time of year and are a credit to Nigel and his team of staff, who have done an amazing job this season considering the difficulties the warm, dry weather brought us earlier in the year.

New winter mats are now in play at the 12th and 14<sup>th</sup>, we are also looking to use mats at 6th 8th and 17th holes.

**Andrew**

**Andrew Earnshaw**  
**Greens Chairman**

## **The Pro Shop**

Ho-Ho-Ho! Happy Christmas Everyone.

Welcome to this week's newsletter,

As we pass over the winter Solstice this weekend, we're truly in the thick of the holiday season now and we hope you all enjoy the festivities ahead.

Please don't forget, as a thank you to everyone, on Saturday we will be offering a treat and a festive tiple in the pros shop, so please come and join us before you go out golfing.

If you're looking for any last-minute golfing gift ideas, you can find us in the pro shop, and we have a great offer coming up over the festive period. We are discounting all shoes that we have in stock by 20%!! Our range of Puma, Under Armour and FootJoy are redefining the gold standard in performance footwear. Also please don't forget our price match guarantee. We are genuinely cheaper than the on-line giants. Please don't miss out.

Fingers crossed, it looks like we have a window to get some golf in on Saturday, but as the weather truly closes in, please don't forget about our studio facilities. Book lessons and practice sessions or play a round of virtual golf with your mates anywhere in the world.

Now onto the golfing tip of the week.

Hole 7 – At stroke index 2, this strong par 4 lives up to its billing. Similar to hole 6, with trouble right and left, the tight tee shot lends itself more to accuracy than distance! It's imperative to choose the right club for your second. Bunkers on the right leave a much trickier up and down and pitching from short of the green is also a challenge to a viciously sloping green from front to back. Allow for a long fast run out to the hole and always try to leave yourself an uphill put if possible.

Here's to happy golfing, see you on Saturday.

**Jack**

**Jack Watson**  
**PGA Professional**

## **The Clubhouse**

Thanks to all members for their support and loyalty throughout our first year as Steward and Stewardess.

We shall continue to provide the best service that we can aided by our reliable, trusted and loyal staff. We look forward to the year ahead.

Merry Christmas and best wishes to you all!

Love from Mandi and Chris.

**Chris & Mandi Rodwell**  
**Clubhouse Steward and Stewardess**

## Member Section News

### The Seniors Section

On a very wet miserable Monday we still had 13 seniors brave the elements and attempt to complete a round of golf, amazingly 10 managed to finish the round.

In 1st place with an impressive 43 points was Don Moore and in 2nd place with 40 points was Haydn Cavanagh.

We also had Don Moore in the 2's club this week who was successful on the 14th.

The weekly scores and winter league table have been updated on the WBGC website along with the handicaps for the next round.

The seniors section now have a well-deserved winter break and will resume with a team game on the 5th of January.

Finally, a few deserved thank you messages from the Seniors section.

To Chris & Mandi and all the bar staff for keeping us fed and watered all year and really looking after the lads.

To Nigel, Kiel, Joe and Alfie for keeping the course in excellent condition all year, we are still one of the best courses in the area.

To Jack, John, Karen and Andy for their patience in sorting out our weekly competitions and for looking after the seniors section all year.

To Damian our Club Manager who has the patience of a saint and is excellent support to all in the Seniors section.

Merry Xmas 🎅🎅🎅 & Happy New Year 🥳🥳🥳

**Les**

**Les Cooper**  
**Senior's Captain**

## The Ladies Section

### BRS System

I understand not everyone is aware of the current booking on process for ladies. The timesheet each Tuesday is set up for booking on a week in advance from 11.00am for ladies not playing on the previous Tuesday. Those who are playing can book on a week in advance in the Pro Shop when paying for the competition. The competitions up to and including 31 January have already been set up. Thank you to Jack and his team for doing this.

### Tuesday 16/12/25 Christmas Golf Stableford

After a very wet Monday it was great to see the ladies playing on a Tuesday. This was the Christmas Golf Stableford played over 12 holes with the whole day being organised by Jackie Mungovin for the second successive year. Thankfully the ladies were blessed with good weather, keeping dry and reasonably warm. A very big thank you to Nigel and his team for an immaculate course.

A very big thank you also to Jackie for all her hard work in arranging the event and getting the prizes. The prizes were presented by Jackie after lunch. Another big thank you goes to Chris, Mandy and their team for the tasty meal which followed the golf. Now on to the winners...

For the second year in a row Pam Sprint shot the best score on the day winning first prize with an impressive 25 points, 24 points equalling par. Good to see you back on form Pam! Second place went to Linda Lukic with 20 points and Jenny Chapman came third with 19 points.

	Hcp	Pts
1st P Sprint	17	25
2nd L Lukic	38	20
3rd J Chapman	26	19

Congratulations and well done to all the prizewinners. Thank you for your support during 2025. Don't forget the next main competitions are over 14 holes. (1-3, 6-15 and 18). We have the Ladies Annual Dinner and Prize presentation to look forward to on 30 January.

The ladies committee, along with all the lady members, wish everyone at West Bradford the merriest of Christmas's and happiest of New Year's.  
Best wishes for a successful golfing year in 2026.

**Helen**

**Helen Shields**  
**On Behalf of the Ladies Committee**

### December Competitions

Tuesday 23 No competition  
Tuesday 30 No competition

### January Competitions (All main comps 14 holes)

Tuesday 6 4 Club Competition (100% hcp) or 9 Hole Stableford (95% hcp)  
Tuesday 13 2 Ball Texas Scramble (35% low 15% high hcps) or 9 Hole Stableford (95% hcp)  
Tuesday 20 Individual Stableford or 9 Hole Stableford (95% hcp)

## The Swindle

Latest from the Swindle

Couple of swingers needed last week but selfishly they did ok for their drawn team but little help to the ones they were swinging for.

Gadget was one of the aforementioned swingers and picked up 3 points with his drawn team- his other team come last – thanks Pal!

Lee MBE with Cam and the infrequently mentioned these days C Mac won (In fact CMac won the comp on Saturday so a good weekend).

	NAME	26-Oct	02-Nov	09-Nov	16-Nov	23-Nov	30-Nov	07-Dec	14-Dec	TOTAL	Wins	4 Points	3 Points	2 Points	1 Points	Played
	<b>Number of Competitors</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>121</b>						
1	<b>Gary Hallett</b>	5		4	4	5	3	5	3	29	3	2	2	0	0	7
2	<b>Lee Innes</b>	4	1		1	3	5	1	5	20	2	1	1	0	3	7
3	<b>Jeff Smith</b>	2	1	5	4		4		3	19	1	2	1	1	1	6
4	<b>Paul Hook</b>		5	1	5		p	4	3	18	2	1	1	0	1	6
5	<b>Mark Chang</b>	3	2	3		2	4		4	18	0	2	2	2	0	6
6	<b>Karl Emmett</b>		3	5		4	p	4		16	1	2	1	0	0	5
7	<b>Ian Clark</b>	2		3	5		3			13	1	0	2	1	0	4
8	<b>Anthony Gavin</b>	1	5				p	5	1	12	2	0	0	0	2	5
9	<b>Danny Taylor</b>	5		5			p	p		10	2	0	0	0	0	4
10	<b>Cameron Foster</b>		4	1					5	10	1	1	0	0	1	3

The full Winter Swindle table can be viewed on the Swindle page of the Member's Intranet by [clicking here](#).

### Swindle Christmas Lunch

Final reminder, Christmas lunch and prize presentation next Sunday (21<sup>st</sup> Dec) – we have over 20 attendees so should be good craic.

If you're names not down and you'd like to attend let me know and I'll add you on.

Ant

**Anthony Gavin**  
**The Sunday Swindle**