

West Bradford Golf Club

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Dear Club Member,

It was a great night at last Friday's Annual Dinner.

The event was well attended, with 71 sitting down to an excellent three-course meal.

Our guest of honour – Steven Smith, the incoming Bradford & District President – spoke about the affection he has for West Bradford Golf Club and complimented the condition of the course over the last few years. He also thanked the club for a great night.

Looks like snow has once again impacted the weekend's golf. The course will remain closed tomorrow morning, with the next course inspection due on Saturday afternoon. The Clubhouse will be open as normal tomorrow.

Enjoy your weekend,

Damian

Damian Connearn
West Bradford Club Manager



Upcoming Events

March 24

TaylorMade Demo Day

March 24

The Ladies AGM

March 24

The Ladies Annual Dinner

April 4

The Captain's Drive-In

April 4

Mods & Rockers

Captain's Drive-In Evening

Other News

Golf over the Weekend

The golf course has been closed today due to snow. It will remain closed for tomorrow morning. The next course inspection will be Saturday afternoon.

The clubhouse will be open tomorrow from midday until 6pm whether the course is open or closed. The clubhouse will close on Sunday if the course remains closed.

Entertainments & Fundraising Sub-Committee

We are looking for a member willing to take on the role of Entertainments and Fundraising Sub-committee representative.

The role would involve planning and organising social events and other fundraising activities across the whole year. As Entertainments & Fundraising Sub-Committee Representative you would

liaise with both the Club Manager and the Steward/Stewardess in order to plan a calendar of social events in the clubhouse.

If you may be interested in the role, please contact the Club Manager by email at clubmanager@westbradfordgolfclub.co.uk

Vice-Captain Appointed

We're delighted to announce that incoming Captain Alan Lowe has chosen John Dickens to be his Vice Captain. That means that John will serve as Alan Low's Vice Captain for the 2026/27 season and will then become Club Captain for the 2027/28 season. We wish John the very best of luck.

Thank you Richard & MNA Group

Thank you to West Bradford member Richard Bloodworth and his company MNA Group who have kindly donated 13 tonnes of Crushed Concrete that will act as a standing base for the members buggy storage unit, once it has been moved.

Play Your Cards Right

Richard Gunn was picked to Play his Cards Right at last night's Sign In Evening. Despite a promising start, the pack proved too strong and Richard crashed out with three cards still to turn.

The pot rolls over.

Handicaps & Competitions

Handicap Allowance Change

The format for this week's competition is a Pairs Stableford with both players to count on every hole.

We have taken guidance from England Golf regarding the correct Handicap Allowance for this format, and they have advised that it should be 95%, not 85% as it is with a normal 4BBB Stableford.

We will therefore be adopting their recommendation and changing it to 95% for this and all future Pairs Stablefords where both scores count.



Competition Results

The results of Saturday's Competition – A 5 Club 4BBB Stableford - were as follows:-

Winners

**S. Cox & L. Innes
- 41 pts**

2nd Place

**A. Gavin & J. Green
- 41 pts**

3rd Place

**R. Leach & P. Whitehead
- 40 pts**

4th Place

**A. Crompton & M. St Romaine
- 39 pts**

5th Place

**L. Brook & J. Rust
- 39 pts**

Saturday's Competition

- Pairs Stableford – Both players to score on every hole
- 15 holes in play
- Holes 4, 5 and 9 out
- Qualifier for the Winter League
- Yellow Tees (Red for Ladies)
- 95% of Handicap
- Fairway Mats everywhere apart from Tees, Hazards and Greens
- Bunkers GUR
- Carry Only

Sign in as usual to enter the competition, and please enter your Scorecards into the PSI in the 19th or Pro Shop.

Cards to be placed in the box in the Gents locker room – not in the box in the 19th

Sunday Swindle

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.

Thank you and happy golfing !

Sandra

Sandra Pearson
Handicaps Chairman

The Pro Shop

Happy Friday to everybody

The weather has certainly been wet and wild lately, but while the course has been testing, there's plenty inside the Pro Shop to keep you warm, dry, and ready to perform.

We're fully stocked with high-quality waterproofs to help you brave the elements in comfort and style. From top-brand rain jackets to winter layers, we've got everything you need to stay protected out on the course.

And speaking of wet weather essentials — we've just received brand new **Cobra towels**, perfect for keeping your clubs clean and dry during these damp winter rounds. A dry clubface can make all the difference when conditions are challenging!

Also in these wet conditions, it's important to have the right footwear so your feet don't have to suffer. We have a full range of winter shoes on offer, including **Puma winter golf boots** — engineered for comfort, performance, and protection when the weather turns truly miserable.

Now on to our golf tip of the week:

Hole 14 can be a real card-wrecker if you lose focus. Heavily protected on all sides, means that club selection is all important. Although playing downhill, the yardage can fool you. Allow for the wind and commit to the shot. Anything short will be gobbled up by sand, so make sure you have an accurate carry distance to the green. The green is very receptive, so don't be afraid to attack the flag if you're striking it well.

Pop into the Pro Shop for a chat, a warm welcome, and everything you need to tackle the elements this season.

We look forward to seeing you!

The West Bradford Pro Shop Team

Weekly Members Newsletter

Member Section News

The Seniors Section

On a mild and relatively dry day, we had 29 golfers out on the course in week 14 of the Seniors Winter League.

In 1st place with 46 points (the highest score this winter) was Steve Priestley, in 2nd place with 45 points (the 2nd highest score this winter) was Martin Speed and in 3rd place on countback with 42 points was Simon Scull.

We had a winner in the 2's club with Ray Hawley being successful on the 14th.

The weekly scores and winter league table have been updated on the WBGC website and next weeks handicaps are on the seniors notice board in the clubhouse.

Just a reminder that the list for the postponed Xmas Dinner is now on the seniors notice board, the lunch was rearranged for Wednesday the 25th of February.

Prior to the Xmas Dinner, we compete for the Chas Hammond Cup, which is a Stableford competition contested over 10 holes and is open to any senior who is 70 years old or over.

Next Monday will be week 15 of the Seniors Winter League, anybody wishing to play, just send me a message by **11am on Sunday**, I will then complete a draw and it will be entered on to Mondays timesheet on the BRS system. My mobile number is 07976-540126.

Les

Les Cooper
Seniors Captain

The Swindle

Here's the latest on the Swindle:

	NAME	26-Oct	02-Nov	09-Nov	16-Nov	23-Nov	30-Nov	07-Dec	14-Dec	21-Dec	28-Dec	04-Jan	11-Jan	18-Jan	25-Jan	01-Feb	08-Feb	TOTAL	Wins	4 Points	3 Points	2 Points	1 Points	Played
	Number of Competitors	16	18	18	19	7	16	14	13	25	17	10	17	12	13	16	231							
1	Lee Innes	4	1		1	3	5	1	5	2	5	1	5	5	2			40	5	1	1	2	4	14
2	Jeff Smith	2	1	5	4		4		3	3	3		4	4			4	37	1	5	3	1	1	11
3	Gary Hallett	5		4	4	5	3	5	3	3		1						33	3	2	3	0	1	10
4	Chris McLaren		3		1		1		5		2	5	5		5	3		30	4	0	2	1	2	14
5	Mark Chang	3	2	3		2	4		4	4	3			3			2	30	0	3	4	3	0	10
6	Andy Moughtin				2				1	5	3	4	4	5			5	29	3	2	1	1	1	10
7	Karl Emmett		3	5		4		4		4		4	3	2				29	1	4	2	1	0	9
8	Paul Hook		5	1	5			4	3	1			2	3	1	2		27	2	1	2	2	3	12
9	Anthony Gavin	1	5					5	1	5		2				4		23	3	1	0	1	2	9
10	Paul Brook				3		2	3		5	4					5		22	2	1	2	1	0	7

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

Swindle debut for one of our new members; George Best (he's heard them all) who takes the Dennis Law into his own hands and wins, ably supported by the calming and patriarchal figure of Andy Matt Busby Mountain who wins for the second time in a row.

In other news, Gadget, the Seldom seen Brian Kidd returns with a high spec top of the range driver on test. Null points. Jolly Jeff takes advantage and moves a Stepney up into second. The rise of C Mac continues, we all thought his Paddy Carerend was over but his recent form continues with the help of Alex, known in Tuesday Club as No Nobby Stiles and moves into the prizes.

*With apologies to anyone born after the baby boomer generation.

Ant

Anthony Gavin
The Sunday Swindle

The Ladies Section

A Message from Ruth Goodwin

Job Vacancy

Dear All,

After over 20 years as the County Handicap Advisor for the Yorkshire Ladies County Golf Association, I have decided that the time is right for me to retire from this position at the November AGM. I shall continue in my other role of Regional Handicap Advisor for England Golf; thus still supporting the Associations and Unions of Yorkshire, Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire. But that role, together with being on the iGolf Handicap Committee, now takes up ever increasing amounts of my time.

We are inviting applications for the role prior to ratification at the AGM. Applications will be welcomed from any enthusiastic member of the YLCGA, who has experience in the Rules of Handicapping and the Rules of Golf. Training will be given; and you will be working as part of a team with full support from your Regional Handicap Advisor.

Please encourage any lady whom you think would be interested to apply: it is a very rewarding and enjoyable role, which has given me a great deal of satisfaction and pleasure over the years.

*Kind regards,
Ruth Goodwin
County Handicap Advisor*

Next weeks competition is a 3 clubs and a putter individual Stableford over 14 holes, 1-3, 6-15 & 18. Bunkers, fairway mats and whether hole 9 is in play are subject to change depending on the weather and state of the course. Please check for this information in the Pro Shop.

Helen

Helen Shields
On Behalf of the Ladies Committee

February Competitions

Tuesday 17 3 Clubs + Putter Stbf'd (100% hcp) or 9 Hole Stbf'd (95% hcp)
Tuesday 24 Greensomes Stbf'd (60% low, 40% high hcps) or 9 Hole Stbf'd (95% hcp)

March Competitions

Tuesday 3 2BBB Stbf'd (85% hcp) or 9 Hole Stbf'd (95% hcp)
Tuesday 10 Bring & Take Ind Stableford (95% hcp)