



# **NORMY NEWS** - Xmas Special

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## Festive message from the Directors

The Board of Directors would like to wish all Members of Normanton Golf Club a very merry Christmas and take this opportunity of thanking everyone for their support of the Golf Club throughout 2025. We would also like to wish you all a happy New Year and hope for another successful year for NGC and the continued support of yourselves.

## Staff News

10 years service nowadays is something of a feat but that's exactly what Sharon has just achieved. Sharon worked as Hospitality Manager for the majority of those years but a couple of years ago changed jobs to become our Golf Secretary. During the last 10 years Sharon has become indispensible to NGC with her versatility, knowledge and experience. Her impeccable customer services manner in the way she dealt with brides to be, ensuring they experienced the perfect day attracted many more wedding functions than we would have had without her. This also applied to other functions and conferences.

Over the years she became our go-to girl and has proved invaluable to us. Her more recent move to become Golf Secretary just proved what a versatile lady she is and it's become almost unimaginable to think of NGC without her. Here's to another 10 years Sharon!



Another one bites the dust!

.....no seriously, congratulations to Rich Law for tying the knot and finally becoming a husband to Emily. Congratulations to both of them.









A new face, well.... not so new.

Also welcome back to our new Hospitality person Eden Shearman who has just returned to NGC after several years away. Eden will be looking after all our weddings, conferences and other functions, so if you fancy booking a celebratory party then just pop in the office and see her. Remember generous discounts are available on room hire to any member of NGC. Welcome back Eden!



# **EGGS AGM & End of Season Presentation**

The Seniors held their end of season do. Unfortunately the course was closed due to heavy rainfall the previous day so the Comp was cancelled but a large turnout still attended the AGM followed by a splendid Christmas Carvery provided by Tina and her staff.



























Last but not least, 2 other Club stalwarts that we couldn't do without Tina and Lynn

### **Ladies News**

The annual TURKEY TROT event was held on 4th November. This 9 hole stableford competition was won by Yvonne Gordon with 17 points with Gina Kershaw in second place, on countback. Well done Yvonne.

The WASSAIL CUP is a 9 hole competition and was played on 2nd December prior to the Christmas Lunch. It was won by Gina Kershaw with a score of 24 points with Pauline Coldwell in second.

The Ladies Christmas Lunch was attended by 22 ladies with the Club Captain as special guestwho was invited to present all the Ladies Trophies from the 2025 season.



This year's annual Rustico Bowl competition was held a Low Laithes, with unfortunately Low Laithes taking the spoils.



The THOMPSON TROPHY is awarded to the Lady with the most improved Handicap, run between November to October each year. This year it was shared by Lindsey Barszczak and Lesley Weighll, both reducing their handicaps by 9.1 over the period. Congratulations to both.



Following a ballot of all Ladies, Lesley Weighll was re-elected as Ladies Representative. Pat Mills will continue as Treasurer, with Sue Jones, Doreen Poultney and Gill Ingham as Committee Members.

# 3 times a week Lads (Knowles Group) Xmas do

There are a group of 12-16 members who play on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, sometimes known as the Knowles Group who had their Xmas golf and dinner on Friday. They decided to rename their annual Seve Trophy played for throughout the year, the Steve Knowles Trophy, in memory of Steve who sadly died recently. The winning team on the day were Messrs. Higgins, Eames, Poynton and Handscome. Other prizes from the day and throughout the season were awarded with Clive Newton winning the Seve (Steve Knowles) Trophy.





















#### **STEVE KNOWLES**

Anyone who knew Steve knows what a wonderful person he was, a smashing bloke as many have referred to him. He will be greatly missed at NGC, a true Clubman and great family man. His funeral will be held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January at Normanton Parish Church at 12.00 noon, with the wake held at the Golf Club afterwards.



Steve Knowles RIP

## **Friday Fiddlers**

Also on the same day the Friday Fiddlers held their Xmas do and meal. Why do they call them the Fiddlers? Well with Messrs. Stead, Murphy and Gill amongst their ranks I thought that would be obvious!



### **Future Events**





# Please support your Club as much as possible

A reminder to all members that frequent use of the bars, function rooms and pro shop, are absolutely critical to the future success of NGC and Hatfeild Hall.

Any news items for future letters, contact Richard at office@normantongolf.co.uk