



NORMY NEWS

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Bradford & Bingley Exchange Day

NGC negotiated for the first time this year a member exchange day with one of Yorkshire's top courses, B&B GC. There was a good take up on the offer by Normanton Members (some pictures below) and Bradford and Bingley sent us nice email saying how much they enjoyed the course, facilities, catering and the day in general. Both Clubs deemed it a success and so there is every chance of it being repeated next year.



Captain's Diary /Events

21st September is World Alzheimer's Day and to help support this worthy cause our Captain has arranged for the competition that day to be in support of it. Entry is £10 on the day with £5 going to Emlyn's Charity, which has now passed the 8K mark, a big thank you from the Captain for all those who've contributed.

The recent 72-Hole Challenge completed with Ollie Bateson and Paul Simms will have raised almost £1200. Once again big thank you.

Hole-in-one

Below is a picture of John Stirling looking absolutely ecstatic after his hole-in-one on the 4th Hole.



Section News

Intersection Trophy - NGC held its annual sectional Trophy on 30th August. With the winners being the Captain's Team, in 2nd place were the Rabbits Section with the Ladies Section in 3rd place. Emlyn not being one to boast informs me that he has now won the trophy 4 times, as Captain of Rabbits, EGGS, Club vice and Club Captain, must be a record???

Scratch Team

Our Premier team at NGC managed to finish an impressive second place to Scarcroft GC in Division 3 of the L&DUGC Scratch Section. Well done guys who I believe are now promoted?

Place	Division 3	Fixtures				Games				
		Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
1st	Scarcroft Scratch	12	8	2	2	36	23	4	9	50
2nd	Normanton Scratch	12	8	0	4	36	22	1	13	45
3rd	Low Laithes Scratch	12	6	2	4	36	16	5	15	37
4th	Woolley Park Scratch	12	6	2	4	36	15	5	16	35
5th	Leeds Golf Centre Scratch	12	4	0	8	36	14	3	19	31
6th	Leeds Scratch	12	3	1	8	36	14	1	21	29
7th	Barnsley Scratch	12	3	1	8	36	11	3	22	25

Nett Team

Our Nett Team also finished in second place in the Nett League top division and also to Scarcroft GC. Well done again!

Place	Division A	Fixtures				Games				
		Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
1st	Scarcroft Nett	12	8	1	3	36	22	3	11	47
2nd	Normanton Nett	12	8	0	4	36	21	0	15	42
3rd	Darrington Nett	12	6	1	5	36	19	2	15	40
4th	Pontefract Nett	12	5	1	6	36	15	6	15	36
5th	Waterton Park Nett	12	5	1	6	36	15	4	17	34
6th	Woolley Park Nett	12	4	0	8	36	15	1	20	31
7th	Cookridge Hall Nett	12	4	0	8	36	10	2	24	22

Tigers Section

The Tigers Section eventually finished second in both their leagues (Heavy Woollen and Mid Handicap) so although unfortunately just missing out both times it's been another successful year for the Section. Well done everyone!

NGC Tigers won the Mid Handicap League, Team Cup in a tight gripping final against Horsforth GC at Wetherby recently. The match ended a 2-2 draw and so went to a play-off which Normanton won on the first extra hole. Well done Lads!! (buy a shirt next year John!)



Festival Trophy (6 Tigers and 6 Rabbits)

Normanton submitted a team for the annual Festival Trophy against other Wakefield Area Teams from Low Laithes, Lupset and Whitwood. This year we had home advantage and made it count by winning by 15points from Low Laithes, with Lupset 3rd and Whitwood collecting the wooden spoon.

Rabbits Section

Commiserations to the NGC Rabbits Team in finishing an extremely close second in the top HW Rabbits League. They were lying second to the Manor GC with one game to play and guess what..... yes their last match was away at the Manor where if they got the right result they could win the league. Alas, it was not to be with the Manor being formidable opponents on their home patch. The final game came down to the last hole in virtual darkness with colleagues using their mobile phone torches in order for the players to see their puts. Hard Lines Rabbits and well done, maybe next year.

	Division 1	P	W	D	L	Pts
1	The Manor	10	6	2	2	50
2	Normanton	10	5	1	4	46
3	Woolley Park	10	4	2	4	42
4	City of Wakefield	10	4	1	5	38
5	Hanging Heaton	10	4	0	6	37
6	Gotts Park	10	4	0	6	27

In the Two Player League NGC managed to improve in their latter games to escape relegation

Division One	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
City of Wakefield	14	7	3	4	15	17
Sand Moor	14	7	2	5	7	16
Howley Hall	14	7	2	5	7	16
Low Laithes	14	6	2	6	7	14
Normanton	14	6	2	6	-2	14
Gotts Park	14	6	1	7	4	13
Temple Newsam	14	6	1	7	-12	13
Leeds Golf Centre	14	4	1	9	-26	9

The Rabbits are still continuing with their extremely busy year, having just retained the Rocks Decanter against Tadcaster GC (ex Scarthingwell) in a close contest and are in with a shout of winning the Reynolds O'Donnell Trophy next Monday at Darrington GC.

EGGS Section

CAPTAINS HOME DAY

Lee held his Captain's Home Day recently which was a tremendous success with a great turnout despite the early 8am shotgun start. Competitors enjoyed a 2 course Carvery meal afterwards provided by Tina and her team. Lee thanked everyone for their support on the day and also for helping him to raise an impressive £315 for his charity, Yorkshire Cancer Research.

THE RESULTS of the competitions on the day were as follows:

Individual Stableford;

1st Philip French 42 pts

2nd John Wright 42pts

3rd David Bliss 41pts

Team Game

1st John Wright, Kevin Townend & Norman Pickett (Team of 3)

2nd Steve Moorhouse, Bob Craven, Steve Eva & Paul Clark (Team of 4)

Nearest the Pins

2nd John Peters, 4th John Fox, 10th Alan Singleton, 12th Emlyn Pickup

EGGS OPEN DAY

Once again the EGGS Section held another extremely successful Open Day where 91 pairs entered and 88 pairs played on the day. The Final Results were;

1 st 44 points	Cliff Perrin/Martin Davenport	Laceby Manor
2 nd 43 points	Phil Allan/Steve Backhouse	Oulton Hall
3 rd 42 points	Den Langham/Alan Hudspeth	Owston Hall
4 th 42 points	Steve Falkiner/Paul Williams	Normanton
5 th 42 points	Kevin Townsend/John Wright	Normanton

Nearest pin 2nd Adrian Deakin Oulton Hall

Nearest pin 10th Derek Brassington Normanton

VICTORY TROPHY

The final major of the season was played for on Tuesday with a very close finish, the final result being;

1st Dave Sumnall 86 – 17 = 69

2nd Stephen H Wilkinson 76 – 7 = 69

3rd Richard Poynton 84 – 14 = 70

FRIENDLY CHALLENGE MATCHES

NGC Seniors have now completed their friendly matches with the last of their matches against a formidable Wooley GC team. We have had some humbling matches against them in the past, including a four and a half to one and a half defeat earlier in the season. However, the Normanton team, consisting of Lee, Colin Dack, Emlyn Pickup, Glenn Timms, Bob Craven, Dave Jones, Alan Singleton, Martin England, Alan Murphy, Barry Stead, Steve Sharp, Martin Hayward, managed to beat them 6-0! A fantastic performance by the team and a great way to end Lee's tenure as Team captain.

Lee Thanks all the players that have turned out in this and previous games.

Ladies Section

CHRIS TROPHY (Ladies/Junior Stableford)

Winner with 43 points was Kay Allsop with Joan Sherwood runner up with 37 points. Alice Mottram was the leading junior in this annual competition.

LADIES SHIELD (Medal)

The final major competition of the year winner was Judith Gall with a nett score of 68 with Pauline Coldwell runner up with 75.

JUBILEE LADIES PAIRS MATCHPLAY KNOCKOUT

Gina Kershaw and Judith Gall won the final match played against Janet West and Lesley Weighll.

WEST GARTH SINGLE MATCHPLAY KNOCKOUT

Judith Gall won the final match played against Joan Sherwood

A visit to Thirsk & Northallerton GC was arranged by Marilyn Iwanuschak, who is a member of both clubs. A 4BBB mixed club team competition was held and a return visit to NGC is being planned for 2026



The winning team was: Kay England, Ann Smith, John Sherwood and guest



The England Golf, Road to Woodhall Spa Final, was attended by Lesley Weighll (with her trusty caddie Andrew Weighll), after qualifying with a second place at the Malton & Norton GC regional qualifier. Lesley enjoyed the experience particularly being announced onto the Tee via loud speaker in front of a watching gallery. (Picture on left below)



Janet West and Lesley Weighll attended the England Golf/Ping Pairs Ladies final at Thonock Park after winning the NGC qualifier. Over 750 clubs entered pairs with 52 qualifying for the Final. All finalists received a new Ping ladies golf bag along with a brolly, towel, back pack and document wallet. (Picture on right above)

Mixed Golf -Society day at Rufford Park

One event that did take place was a Normanton GC Mixed society day at Rufford Park. 18 cheery golfers had a great time, on a beautiful day, at a great course. A FBBB round was the target of a fun, maybe, only slightly serious, competition. The winners were Kay England, Ann Smith, Darren Ramsden and John Sherwood, with an impressive 98 points. The prizes were very much fun items, which encapsulated the aim of the day fully.

Everyone had a really, enjoyable experience and a superb day. Thank you to Kay Allsop for organising and to Rufford Park for some excellent bacon sarnies and after golf food.



Junior Section

The Junior Section have had a number of noticeable successes again over the last few weeks with the most noticeable one being the LDGU Junior Club Knockout, where NGC faced Woolley Park GC at Howley Hall. The team on the day was Iona Mottram, Max Walton and Alice Mottram (pictured below with Paul, Junior Organiser and Emlyn, Club Captain)



A shout needs to go to Ollie Bateson, Billy Sturgeon and Alex Taylor who had won in previous rounds to help the team to the final. In the final, Alice lost 5&4, Iona won 2&1, which left Max all square down the last to try and bring the cup home to NGC. Sadly his opponent played a brilliant bunker shot to set up a tap in for par to pinch a closely fought final.

Although our Saturdays have been rather disrupted, Jacob Wood has managed to wrap up the Medal Series being unassailable having won the first two of three rounds. When you consider he has won whilst playing of a capped h/cap 8 shots below his normal level, it is an excellent effort.

Alex Taylor has continued to represent LDGU inter-district squad against both Harrogate and East Riding. He won and drew one in his foursomes but sadly lost both his singles. Dan Kirby was called up to the same LDGU squad for the game against Harrogate where he was all square in both his foursomes and singles. Dan also joined the hole-in-one brigade having made his ace on the 2nd hole last weekend off blue tees.



Iona Mottram was selected for Yorkshire Girls for the Roses Match against Lancashire at a windy and tricky Ashton Under Lyne. Sadly she was beaten by a girl who “played out of her skin.”

Alice Mottram was winner of the Under 16's Section of the Moortown Junior Open and 2nd overall with a score of 7 under nett. All our representatives, Alice, Alex and Pranav Nair finished in the top 15, with nett par or better. Well done all 3 of you on one of Yorkshires best courses.



In the Leagues, NGC's 1st team eventually finished 3rd in Division 1 of the LDUGC Junior Section.

	Division 1	Fixtures				Games				
		Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
1st	Garforth Juniors	10	7	1	2	30	20	1	9	41
2nd	Leeds Golf Centre Juniors	10	5	0	5	30	15	3	12	33
3rd	Normanton Juniors	10	5	1	4	30	15	3	12	33
4th	Waterton Park Juniors	10	4	1	5	30	13	1	16	27
5th	Horsforth Juniors	10	4	1	5	30	12	2	16	26
6 th	Sand Moor Juniors	10	3	0	7	30	10	0	20	19

NGC's Junior 2nd team eventually finished 4th in Division 2 of the LDUGC Junior Section.

	Division 2	Fixtures				Games				
		Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
1st	Wetherby Juniors	10	7	1	2	30	21	3	6	45
2nd	Leeds Golf Centre J2	10	6	0	4	30	16	4	10	36
3rd	Moortown Juniors	10	4	2	4	30	12	5	13	29
4th	Normanton J2	10	4	3	3	30	10	7	13	27
5th	Cookridge Hall Juniors	10	5	0	5	30	11	2	17	24
6th	Darrington Juniors	10	1	0	9	30	5	9	16	19

Diary Events

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

Friday 10th October – RACE NIGHT. This will be held in the Jack Fox lounge from 7.30pm onwards. This will be run and organised by the Social Committee, please come along and support, its free entry, great fun and the chance to win a few bob. More details to follow.....all profits will go to club development.

Wednesday 15th October 2025 at 7pm - NORMANTON GOLF CLUB AGM

An opportunity to hear first hand from the Board of Directors and our Accountants (Finlaysons) about the General Health and well-being of the Golf Club, with key reports from the various Directors as well as the important business results with the annual financial accounts available for discussion. Any member having a question or matters to raise is requested to submit to the office, in writing, by 6th October 2025. The only other questions that will be taken from the floor on the night are those which concern the content of any of the specific presentations.

Note - The Agenda is also available in the 'AGM' documents folder via the 'Members Hub'

Thursday 30th October – HALLOWEEN SOCIAL GOLF. Following on from last year's success the committee will be putting on a 9-hole mixed comp with some food afterwards. There will be a small entry fee, details to follow. Look for posters in the locker rooms...get your names down and...your costumes on (optional).

Friday 7th November – COUNTRY AND WESTERN NIGHT. *Yee-Ha!!* come and enjoy everything country..... some line dancing and music will make it a, really, fun night. There will be food and the entry cost is just £10. Get those Stetsons and Cowgirl dresses at the ready....watch for more concise details.

Thursday 18th December – XMAS SOCIAL GOLF. Christmas jumpers at the ready.....

Another fun, golfing and event success last year...so.... by popular demand....it's back! As last year, a 9-hole mixed comp followed this time by a carvery in the Jack Fox lounge. Then, as last year, fun games to finish. For all this there will be an entry fee of only £12. More details will follow but again get your names down when the posters arrive.

See Below for other posters;

NGC Presentation

SATURDAY 18TH OCTOBER

Day / Evening

Golf

- Competition on the day - Stableford with 2 shotgun starts AM/PM
- Only £5.00 per player including 2's & evening table buffet.
- An Impressive prize table worth over £2000 + Nearest Pins, Nearest Line & Nearest Pin in 2 prizes. (you have to attend the night event to claim your prize)

Evening

- Presentation of Major Winners for 2025 (All Sections)
- Entertainment during the evening with a fantastic vocalist



ENTERTAINMENT
WILL BE
PROVIDED IN THE
EVENING BY A
GREAT VOCALIST

Country & Western Night



WANTED ! - Cowboys & Cowgirls!

Come join us for a night filled with fun –
music, line dancing, games and food on

Friday 7th November 2025

Doors open 7:00pm

Fun starts 7:30pm

Last stagecoach book by 11:00pm



Tickets £10 per person to include food

Minimum age 14 accompanied by adult



Join us at:

The Hatfeild Saloon, Normanton Golf
Club, Aberford Road, Stanley, Wakefield
WF3 4J

Get your tickets from Hatfeild Hall Office
or call: 01924 2009000, select option 2
or call 07769 177731

FRIDAY NIGHT IS QUIZ NIGHT HERE AT NORMANTON GOLF CLUB.

**Upto 3 hours of fun, laughter and
enjoyment with fellow members, family & friends**

FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 7.30 FOR 8.30



Quiz

As part of the evening we've...

A picture quiz round

The main general knowledge quiz

A music round



Safe Cracker

The safecracker draw

**Guess the safe pin number and you win the
Jackpot of up to £200 (just 9 numbers left)**



CARD BINGO

Finally, play card bingo



Supper

Stewards supper of the night on offer.

Come Along, Have Fun and Maybe Win Money!

A gentle reminder that Member's frequent use of the bars, function rooms and pro shop, are critical to the future success of NGC and Hatfeild Hall. **Please support your Club**

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