

Christmas Cheer For Annandale

Ron 'Nutsy' Annandale was rewarded for all the extra effort he puts in to the golf club with a resounding victory in the final fixture before Christmas last Saturday. His 43 points easily accounted for the field of 52 men and came after also celebrating 'Young Nutsy's' 40th birthday during the week. With a handicap reduction to 11, Ron will take bragging rights into the New Year.

Left in 'Nutsy's' wake were a threesome of talented individuals on 39 points. Second place on countback went to a forlorn 'saint' in John Michalak. Despite recording the best score in his group, a pair of 'eagles' took the points in their challenge match. This resulted in a very short and humble acceptance speech. 'Gentleman' George Davis was third with the enigmatic Ash Hollins the unlucky one in fourth. Hollins paid the penalty for a poor 15 points on the back 9 before blitzing the front for a staggering 24 points.

Danny Clayton provided the highlight of the day with an eagle 2 on the difficult 5th hole. He received a nice bonus for his feat. Others to get a reward for their efforts, with a score better or equal to the CCR of 72 were Mick Finlay, 37 points and Graham Williams, Jim Moyses, and Tony Barker-May with 36 points. Five more players on 35 points joined in the Christmas cheer.

Nine Ladies contested the event in the morning and Nancy Lynn's 39 points was enough to take the trophy from Betty White on 37. Jill Burgess and Deb Van Vollenstee with 34 also got a mention.

Novelties went to Betty White, Mike Daley and Pommy Edwards for nearest the pins. Brett Smith and John Michalak won the long putts and Stephen Edwards popped up again with the long drive on 15.

The earlier mentioned 'Mr Erratic' Ash Hollins had luck go his way when he won Scroungers on a spin from Colin Giblett and Jim Hine. All three had 20 points. Brian Banks continued his resurgence with another top 10 finish. He had 19 points along with Ray Alp, Dean Rakich and Ray Cooper. Cooper had the event shot to pieces, but, basking in the glory of victory for 'the money' on the 6th hole, he collapsed, or took a dive over the last 3 holes to post his total.

Novelties were won by Ray Alp, Colin Giblett and 'Anchor' Cooper.

Rhonda McGill had the best with 16 points in the Associates event.

George Davis had a day out at Tuesday Vets, coming up with a win for his 32 points. Jim Hine was another to get a further mention this week for his 31 points and behind him were Ed Riley and Peter Gray on 30 points.

Novelties were won by Fred Bronickis, Jeff Crowe, 'Hooky' Tyler and Peter Gray.

Trevor McCormick with 36 points took the honours in the small Leisure Day field of 8.

Scroungers is on today, Saturday is the Patris Designs Stableford event. With New Years Day, being Tuesday, an 18 hole sweepstakes event will be played, similar to Boxing Day.

Happy New Year.