



NORMY XMAS NEWS

Special Xmas Photo Edition

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Festive Message from the Club Directors

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our loyal staff and Members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and thank you, the members, for your continued loyal support throughout 2024.

2024 has presented its challenges;

- last winter and spring there was unprecedented rainfall which adversely affected all golf clubs and golfers in accessibility to play regular golf in reasonable conditions.
- The unexpected failure of the borehole was another major issue that had an adverse affect on our finances
- there's been a nationwide cost of living crisis throughout the year affecting people's spending power with most families looking at ways in how they can cut back to minimise the effect.
- There's also been inflationary pressures which has put immense pressures on all golf clubs to try and control ever spiralling operational costs

Trying to mitigate the effect of all the above 4 factors has been our greatest challenge and one that we believe we have endeavoured to address and initiatives are ongoing to achieve a leaner more efficient and effective Golf Club.

2025 presents challenges imposed by the recent budget and believe that with your continued support and loyalty Normanton Golf Club will continue to be a successful Golf Club, continually developing and improving further. The course and facilities already enjoys high prestige and reputation amongst other Golfers and Golf Clubs in the Region.

The Directors

Hatfeild Suite Decor

Christmas and the New Year are important times of the year for the Hospitality side of NGC which brings in much needed income for the Club. To attract parties to Hatfeild Hall, the hospitality team led by Sarah in conjunction with our events partners produce the Hatfeild Suite in an immaculate Festive decor which has received glowing feedback from people using the room. Well done Team Hatfeild!!

If any members are interested in hiring the Hatfeild Suite for a personal event (anniversary, birthday, etc) please contact Sarah in the office as members receive significant discounts on room hire, sometimes as much as 50%.



Ladies End of Season Bash

The Ladies got into the Festive mood early this year with their annual Xmas bash and Awards.



Kids Xmas Party

Club Captain Grez (with considerable help from Sarah, Alex, Tina, etc.) organised the annual kids Xmas Party with their special guest being Santa, of course. Also there were some naughty Elves attending as well getting up to trouble no doubt.





Staff Xmas get together

All the Gang got together for their once a year tipple in the Lounge and looked like they were having a good time (better than cutting Grass, eh?).



EGGS Annual Dinner

The Grumpy Old Men had their Annual Xmas Get-together, oh and their AGM/Prize giving Awards while they were at it. Steve said his farewell thanks as outgoing EGGS Captain and Lee (new Capt) said his short hello.







Mixed Xmas Comp (incl. Bongo Bingo)

Some merry Ladies and Gents got together for a Festive 9 hole Comp followed by Soup and Sandwiches then some games of Bongo Bingo and much fun!?



(Lucky Winners)



Eyes down for a single line followed by a full house!!



Captains Charity Donation

Greig, presented a cheque for his chosen Charity to the Scooter guys who visit the kids in hospital at xmas (well done guys)



We receive lots of fantastic reviews at Christmas, all very similar, glowing. Below is a recent one.

Work's Christmas Event – Hatfeild Hall!

What a fantastic evening! The service received from the Hatfeild Hall Team from start to finish was simply superb! From the ease of booking with Sarah, to the team adding all of the little 'extras' we wanted, the staff were so accommodating; they put all our plans into place and made the room look amazing for our special Christmas celebrations.

Everything was spot on - from the food, the drinks to the decorating of the tables - it was a real success. I would highly recommend this setting for any special occasion.

Thanks

Adrian

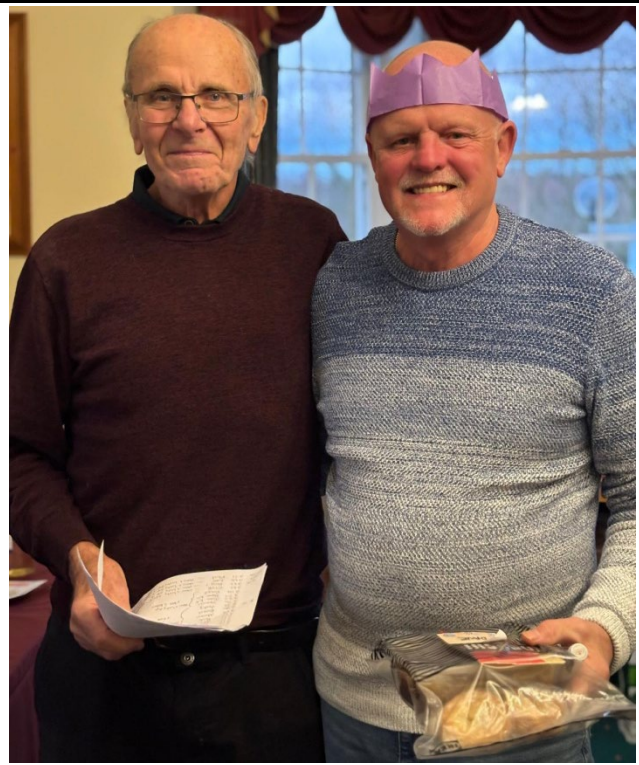
The Mon, Weds, Fri, Lads (sometimes known as the Knowles Gang)

These hardy golfers play consistently 3 times midweek throughout the year in all conditions as well as keeping our bar tab ticking over nicely. They also had their festive game and dinner afterwards followed by their annual awards organised by Ray Handscome. 2 key players throughout the year unfortunately had to miss the event Phil (Seve Trophy winner) and Shaun.









Note from the Editor

Well, another year is almost over and a fresh year is facing us where no doubt we will be making the usual NY golfing resolutions; slow the swing down, keep the head down etc, etc. Golf generally has had a difficult year with most Golf Clubs suffering losses in membership/visitors/hospitality, etc. through the cost of living crisis and inflation.

It is at times like this that Golf Clubs need members to show loyalty more than ever. This is a wonderful Golf Club, ok not perfect, no Club is, but it has marvellous people and facilities that I know through speaking to many golfers across the region are the envy of most who visit NGC. Here's to an enjoyable (and healthy) 2025, keep the news coming!!

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