



RAWES TROPHY 2024

The first tournament of 2024, our Golden Jubilee Year, and it started out looking a bit dreary - with low clouds and a foggy 1st fairway. Good fortune prevailed, things quickly brightened up and it turned out to be a very pleasant (and warm) winter's day. The turnout was very good with 36 golfers ready to put themselves on the Order of Merit Board. Scoring conditions looked to be challenging with the damp fairways and greens – and this showed up in the overall results with half the field scoring 26 points or less. Birdies were rare with only five on the day – David Gray, Rudiger Wrobel, Duncan Barker and Dhru Thapa with two.



First off the Tee...

Results: Nearest the Pin:



We have changed the format this year with all participants competing for NTP on each of the selected holes. We will select four holes in each tournament. This means that a single competitor could walk away with 4 prizes! It is unlikely to happen but there is always the challenge: Anyone who accomplishes this rare feat will be awarded a special prize sponsored by the Captain.

Winners:

Nearest the Pin: Hole #2: **Rudiger Wrobel**

Nearest the Pin: Hole #4: **PerRonning**

Nearest the Pin: Hole #5: **Jan Brackel**

Nearest the Pin: Hole #13: **Sally Buxton**

Gross Score

We have added a prize this year for the best golfer on the day against the standard scratch score.

Winner: DHRU THAPA. Dhru shot a round of 73 giving him 32 points off scratch – congratulations Dhru! Also of note was **David Gray** – playing with an injury, David still managed to shoot an impressive 76 giving him 30 points off the scratch score - well done!



RAWES TROPHY Winner: RUDIGER WROBEL: 37 Points



Rudiger played well on both the front and back nine today with nine pars and one birdie – a notable feat given the scoring conditions – Rudiger was rightfully proud of his performance for his first win in the RBCGS – keep playing like this Rudiger and you could become a serial winner.

Our low gross players also competed for the top prizes with Dhru Thapa and David Gray – both scoring 35 points – second place had to be settled on a countback



Second Place: DHRU THAPA– 35 PTS (19/16)



Third Place: DAVID GRAY– 35 PTS



Fourth Place: JAN van BOETZELAER – 34 PTS



Fifth Place: AGNETA LOVENTORN – 32 POINTS

Sixth Place: RON GODDARD – 32 PTS: Ron played a very fine first nine of 19 points – again looking to be among the top prizes – in the end he did take sixth place but due to a scoring discrepancy was not awarded the prize on the day (apologies Ron) – your prize will be awarded at our next tournament.

Eddie Leitao is a founding member of the RBCGS – and has played in competitions every year for the past 50 years – it was very appropriate that during our first tournament of our Golden Jubilee year Eddie took home a prize – congratulations Eddie. It was also very nice to have Brenda with us at this event – helping as always to raise funds for the captains' charity – with our lost ball tin. Thank you, Brenda.



NEWSTEAD TROPHY: EDDIE LEITAO

COWBELL: MATS LOVENTORN



Not to be outdone by his spouse Agneta – Mats was determined to take home a prize. He accomplished just that – here he is ringing the Cowbell and ringing in a new year of golf at the RBCGS!

Special Thanks

To our sponsors James Rawes Turismo and to Joanna and Katie Rawes who have generously supported the RBCGS over many years.

To Tom Sheier for his well-crafted photographs.

To Mario Pinto and his team for their excellent service, fine food and drink.

And to all the participants for making the tournament competitive, fun, and successful.

