

# RNUC – Golf Society

## Balmoral Outing – May 11, 2023.



Our second Golf Society golf outing was at Balmoral Castle. 19 played at this member-guest event, and the weather conditions were ideal this year.

The Balmoral Golf Club is maintained for the exclusive use of the royal family and the small membership of the club is made up of local people and estate workers. This is a challenging par 34, nine-hole course with 18 different tees.



- Top Left: - Prince Albert overlooks the RNUC golfers.
- Top Right: - Captain McKay threads his tee shot towards the 5<sup>th</sup> green.
- Bottom Left: - The Balmoral clubhouse logo.
- Bottom Right: - Alistair Sinclair powers his drive off the par-five 7<sup>th</sup> tee.

The course was difficult and long for the RNUC players. The Balmoral scoring was very respectable despite the thick Aberdeenshire rough making errant shots, a certain bogey or worse and the small greens tested everyone's short-game skills. As a member guest event, it was appropriate that our guests took center stage. Our winner was our old friend Rob Jeffery who beat Nick Varley with a better inward half. Both recorded 37 Stableford points, but in total contrast, Rob's outstanding second nine of 21 points comfortably beat Nick's disappointing 14 points, which included four scratches. Rob put his win down to getting

his putter to work on the back nine as he adapted to the soft greens. Neil Amour edged Neil (Paddy) Patterson for third place with 33 points.

After Balmoral, the group headed to the Balmoral Arms Hotel in Ballater for supper and Prize giving. RNUC will return to Balmoral next year to continue this exclusive fixture in the magnificent historic setting.



**Winner: - Ron Jeffery at the Balmoral Arms Hotel Ballater.**

**Our next outing is to Aboyne on Tuesday, May 30, 2023. There are still spaces if you need to sign up for this event.**

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