



Inter-Club Trophy Report – HEACHAM MANOR GC

Thursday 25th June 2026

Swaffham win the Inter-Club Trophy for the first time

The attending teams for the 2026 Inter-club trophy were extremely fortunate with the weather at Heacham. Elsewhere in the county temperatures soared to around 34C, but a friendly breeze meant that conditions of 26C were a perfect setting for this fiercely competed for trophy.

The ground was dry and a little firm under foot, but with the breeze and a well set up and defined course, no one had anything but compliments for the presentation.

90 or so golfers from 12 of the County’s clubs participated this year. Now in it’s sixth year, this event is now well established as a high quality and prominent club competition. The teams were of course all trying their best to take home the silver and pewter trophy that was provided to the NGC by past Captain, Gary Goodchild.

After golf, the players retreated to the dining room in the pavilion for a well-earned drink and enjoyed a lovely meal.

Interest and excitement was high as the scores were compiled, scrutinised and computed. The format is for up to 8 players per team/club and the best four scores count. Swaffham were announced as the champions with 131 points, followed closely by Ryston Park with 129 points. This was Ryston’s second successive second place, no doubt they will already be planning their challenge for 2027. In equal 3rd place, only 2 points further back were King’s Lynn and Sheringham.

The Norfolk Golf Captains wish to put on record their appreciation for the support of Heacham Manor GC and all the staff.

Nearest the pins were monopolised by Chris Hornigold of Middleton Hall (5th and 15th) and Phil Leamon of Wensum Valley (7th and 17th), who both took home 2 prizes. This year the nearest the pin prizes were provided by Alan Hough of Heritage Golf Travel.

The registration desk was manned by past the NGC Secretary, Paul Filby assisted by Past Captain Gary Goodchild. The results administration was carried out by Nigel Elmar the NGC 2026 Captain.

Nigel Elmar, the 2026 NGC Captain, presided for the results ceremony supported by the 2026 Heacham Manor Club Captain, Alan Hough.

Results:

Club:	Position
Swaffham	1
Ryston Park	2
Kings Lynn	3
Sheringham	3
Middleton Hall	5
Royal Norwich	6
Barnham Broom	7
Eaton	8
Heacham Manor	8
Thetford	10
Wensum Valley	11
Feltwell	12

Graeme Cowie, 2026 Swaffham GC team Captain, makes his 'winners' speech'

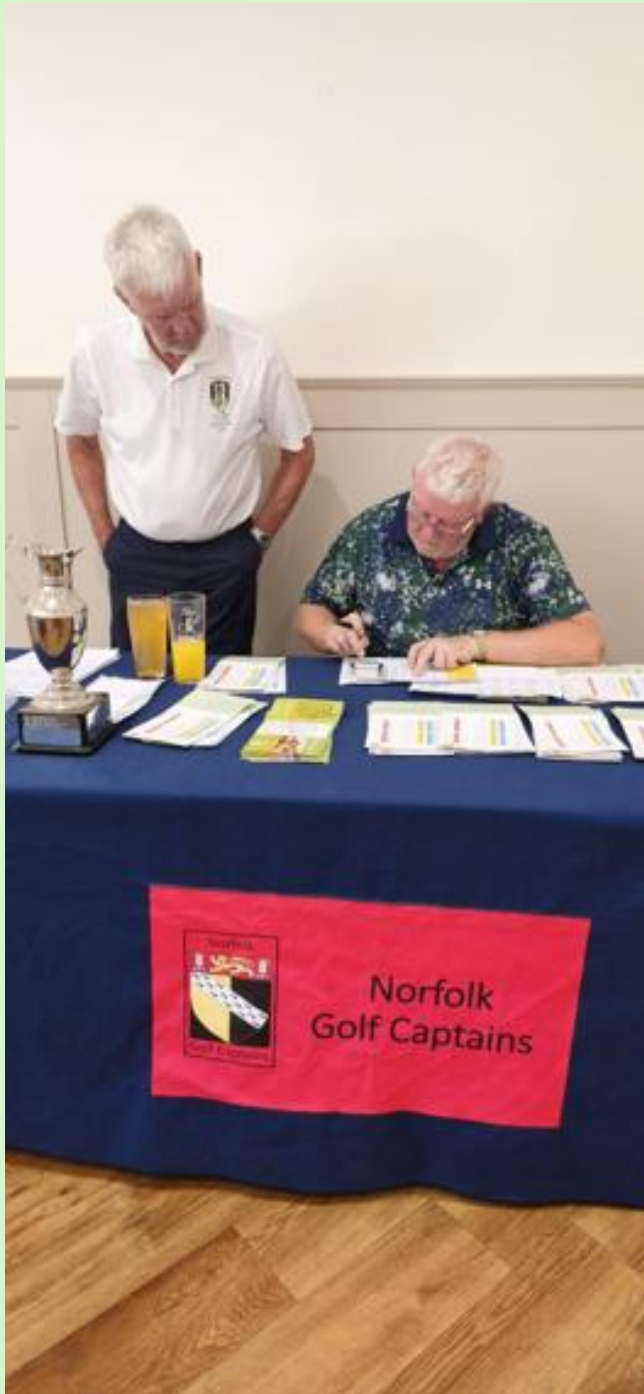


The victorious Swaffham GC team with NGC 2026 Captain, Nigel Elmar



Ryston Park GC team, second place





Nigel Elmar working on the results



Secretary, Paul Filby



Alan Hough, Club captain 2026 Heacham Manor