BEFORE ASKING BIII MAIR TO SAY GRACE I WOULD LIKE YOU ALL TO STAND FOR A MINUTES SILENCE FOR ABSENT FRIENDS WITH A SPECIAL MENTION FOR PETER DURNO AND BILL MICHIE BOTH OF WHOM GAVE THEIR ALL TO IMPROVE OUR ENJOYMENT OF THIS GREAT GAME

I would like to thank all of the Players Caddies and Supporters who have made this season a massive success in what has been the worst I can remember weather wise

As you know the Executive Committee visited every Club in our League and we witnessed some amazing golf and Sportsmanship and camaraderie which make our League Special in my view

I would like to congratulate in advance all of the teams and individuals who will be receiving awards at this presentation

I WOULD NOW LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE FOLLOWING

Bishop Auckland for winning the Clark Cup

James Glenn County Match Play Champion and County Order of Merit winner

Aaron Scott County Stroke play Champion

Grant Dixon Durham County Player of the year

Luke Bonser under 18 County Champion

Jonathan Scott Junior Match Play Champion

Durham County Seniors won the Northern Counties Title for the first time. Finishing second to Surrey in the National Finals

Andrew Minnikin who played 8 times for City of Newcastle winning 13 points out of a possible 16 and is Northumberland County Champion for the fourth time

Whickham who got to the final of the county Mixed Foursomes losing to Bishop Auckland

Whickham's James Simpson and Brian Levy who won the Durham Inter County Foursomes and then went on to beat Northumberland in the Final

Andrew Charlton of Chester le Street had a hole in one in a league match at Boldon on the 12 Hole

And Tony Stevenson had a hole in one while warming up for the match at Ramside

And finally we would like to congratulate John Kennedy who has retired from long career in County Golf Having won a record 109 caps amazing John Well Done