



Coringa News



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SATURDAY'S MATCH

This Saturday is an Stableford competition off the Blue or White tees. (Note: This is a change to the previously advertised programme.) The Blank Cup Trials continue, this week again off the Blue tees. The Winter Ringers are now well underway (see below for Kevin's report). There is also a weekly update of the scoring in the newsletter. The Shootout applies for everyone in the match of the day as well.

Last week's raffle winners:

Robbie Chisholm (43); Garry Puddy (28); John Brettell (2); Keith Yardley (1); Richard Kingsbury (44); Graham Norquay (12).

The proposed programme until the end of August is:

July	3	Sat	Stableford – Blue or White tees Rep Trial Process – Blue tees. Shootout Winter Ringers
	6	Tue	Ladies – Val Sutherland
	7	Wed	Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White/Silver Tees. 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.)
	8	Thu	Ladies – Stableford Trophy Men's Group – Stableford – White/Silver tees.
	10	Sat	Stroke – Black or White tees. Rep Trial Process – Black tees. Shootout Winter Ringers
	13	Tue	Ladies - Stableford
	15	Thu	Ladies Men's Group – Par - Yellow tees
	17	Sat	Par – Black or Silver / White tees. Rep Trial Process – Black tees. KORNZ Cup: Alfa Group v Afternoon Mens from 11.30 a.m.

			Shootout Winter Ringers
	20	Tue	Ladies – Best Nett Trophy / Putt
	21	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT \ – Stableford – White/Silver Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	22	Thu	Ladies – Stableford / NTP Men’s Group – Stableford - Yellow tees
	24	Sat	Irish Stableford – Blue or White/Silver tees Final Rep Trial Process – Blue tees. Shootout Winter Ringers
	27	Tue	Ladies – Hidden Holes stableford
	28	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	29	Thu	Ladies - Stableford Men’s Group – Team Stableford - Yellow tees.
	31	Sat	4BBB nett –White/Silver tees Urlwin Rosebowls Qualifying (16 pairs to qualify). Shootout Winter Ringers – Final round
August	3	Tue	Ladies – Val Sutherland
	4	Wed	Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees. 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.)
	5	Thu	Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men’s Group – Stroke - Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees.
	7	Sat	Par – Blue or Silver / White tees Urlwin Rosebowl – 1 st round Matchplay – on handicap (White tees – <i>lowest handicapper goes back to zero and others adjusted accordingly</i>).
	9	Mon	CANTERBURY VETS GOLF - Stableford – Course closed until 2:00 pm.
	10	Tue	Ladies – Best Nett Trophy
	12	Thu	Ladies – Stableford Trophy Men’s Group – Stableford = Silver / White tees
	14	Sat	Stableford – Irons & Hybrid – Yellow tees Urlwin Rosebowl 2 nd round Matchplay Shootout
	17	Tue	Ladies – Stableford / NTP
	18	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver / White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	19	Thu	Ladies - LGU Men’s Group – Par - Yellow tees
	21	Sat	American Stableford – Silver / White tees Urlwin Rosebowl –Semi-finals (Silver / White tees) Shootout
	24	Tue	Ladies – Nett / Putting
	25	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	26	Thu	Ladies – Match play Men’s Group – Stableford - Yellow tees

	28	Sat	Stroke – Blue or Silver / White tees Urlwin Rosebowl Final Shootout
	31	Tue	Ladies – 4 Clubs + Putter

NOTE: As you can see from the programme the White and Silver tees are both in use and are equivalent courses. Which course you are playing on any day will be clear when you print your card. This is to spread the use of the tee blocks to allow time for natural repair.

WINTER RINGERS

Another cold winters day welcomed us as we arrived on the course to participate in Round 4 of the Ringers competition.

After rain earlier in the week, we encountered soft underfoot conditions but overall the course conditions couldn't be faulted at this time of the year. This week saw Alan Wicks cling on to his slender lead on 57.1, with a net score improvement of 1.8. Jonathan Kemp improves a position to lie in second with 57.3, a net score improvement of 1.9. Followed closely in third by Chris Choie, a further 0.2 behind. The top 25 players are within a range of 6.9 strokes so there's plenty of room for those further down in the field to make huge inroads on the leaders in the coming weeks as those at the top find their improvement increments getting smaller each week with the need to accumulate birdies.

There were another 13 birdies recorded by the Ringers field during the round. Currently Melissa Newburn has five birdies, with six players, Chris Choie, Lex Halford, Peter Marsh, Spencer Wicks, Mal Ashton and Paul Snape each having four birdies and Alan Wicks with three birdies.

The weather outlook for the weekend is looking good with Saturday forecasted fine with a high of 10 with light winds after early morning -2 frost. Again, you'll have the choice of two tees to play off, Blue or White, but the match committee would prefer to see more players play off the Blue tees.

See you out there on Saturday and Happy Golfing.

Kevin King

Ringers Organiser

BLANK CUP TEAM TRIALS

Conditions at the moment are very trying and because of this the trial will be off the BLUE tees this Saturday, not the Black as previously announced. Result / updates of the scoring is posted on the website.

Cheers

John Rademakers

CLUB NEWS

New Members

We welcome the following eight new member this week:

Alexandra Cotiga	Andrei Cotiga	Oana Cotiga	Callum Forward
Jennyfer Jenkins	Jim Jenkins	Anthony Naylor	Sam Turner

Do not hesitate to ask from the pro shop or any of the members how the club functions and the different competitions we run throughout the week. Most importantly do enjoy your time at Coringa.

Working Bee – this Tuesday 9am

Paul Snape and Russell McGregor have decided it's time for a break from painting – time for some path repairs!! They have managed to get hold of some AP20 shingle & crusher dust (thanks to a kind donation from a new member – Mike deWit). We will be holding a working bee of members this Tuesday, starting at 9 a.m. If you have a trailer please bring this along, otherwise grab a shovel or rake (but don't worry if you don't have one of these – plenty available at the Club).

I'm sure all of us have tip-toed through a couple of muddy paths around the course so far this winter – this is your chance to get involved, fix the paths and have a few laughs with your fellow club members (the more hands, the faster the job!)

Course Care.

I know this is a repeated message - BUT IT STILL APPLIES!

With winter conditions now upon us try and keep away from any muddy patches with your trundlers and keep carts well away from greens and try not to drive between bunkers and the greens, especially in the marked off areas. If you can, park up behind the green.

Please try and avoid taking carts and trundlers over any roped off areas (they are roped off for this particular reason – to block carts and trundlers from going over them!)

As a player / member we need your help to keep the course in the best condition possible. The course committee would like to remind you that that this involves raking bunkers – (even if you didn't make the footprint), to repair any pitch marks – (even if they are not yours) and to carry a sand bucket and repair divots that you see – (even if they are not yours!)

Finally – there have been some reports of players hitting up / towards our greens staff when they are on the course working. This isn't on – be patient and give way to our greens staff at all times – they are important to us and the last thing we want to hear of is one of our staff being hit by a golf ball while they are out on the course simply doing their job.

Other news around the Club

Carpark – we hope to have the carpark graded in the next couple of weeks – big thanks to DB and Doug Holston.

Practise Balls – we have finally had delivery of the new practise balls we ordered a month or so ago. We will slowly mix the new practise balls and the best of the old used balls over the next couple of weeks to lift the overall quality of the balls on the range.

Café News

For the colder winter months Soup will be available on the menu.

- A cup of homemade soup with a bread roll \$5.50
- A bowl of homemade soup (2 ladles) with 2 bread rolls \$9.40

METRO B INTERCLUB

The Coringa Metro B team of; Scott Ward, Oliver Shea, Bobby Pratt, Chris Choie, Dom Neill, Barry Stringer, Steve Satherley & Jon Kemp were narrowly beaten (4.5 to 3.5) by Tai Tapu in the Champion of Champions match for the Toby Richards Cup, (between the Metro B winners and the winners of the Central Canterbury Paterson Cup held last Sunday, the 27th of June at Avondale.

THE MEN'S REPORT

This Saturday, the 3rd of July, is a Stableford competition off the Blue or White tees, and the third round of the Rep Trial Process, put off the Blue tees instead of the Black tees considering the length the course is playing and the weather.

Last Saturday, the 26th of June, round was an Irish Stableford competition off the blue or Silver tees. I seem to be saying this all the time about there being some great scores recorded considering the length the course was playing. Thirty-two entered the Blue competition which meant two divisions with John Gaw scoring 79 points with four birdies and an eagle winning

Division One, from Malcolm Wratt on 78 and Charlie Longley smoked Division Two with 85 points from Philippe Lyonnais on 80.

Off the Yellow tees, forty-five entered with Geoff Miller winning on count back from Paul Snape on 80 points in Division One and Maurice Owen also winning on count back from a new member Thomas Corston on 76 points in Division Two.

The Gross prize went to Jamie Howard with a 73 and \$15. The Nett Eagle was number 6 and shared between Maurice Owen, Graham McMillan, Gordon McCoy, Philippe Lyonnais and John Gaw. John obviously played well and unfortunately his genuine three shot eagle on number 4 was not the hole he co-won! The birdie hole was number 13 and struck by Mel Newburn with a shot which finished 6 inches short of the hole and only just off line. A superb shot by Mel and a nice \$100. Perhaps even better as she was my partner on the day. Then you wouldn't believe it and with no pressure on after Mel taps her winner in (bad luck Smithy and Al McLelland), I putted from the first cut near front right bunker a long way away and the ball finished somehow just inches behind the hole. That was a contrast to the three I had taken to get out of the centre front bunker on number 11!! Isn't it funny how your golf can go from a nightmare to good, so easily! Perhaps it's the kind support I've been getting from Chris Cottrell and Jamie Howard. The Jackpot was again not struck, so sits at \$61.

Well done to the winners. The full results are available on the website.

Can I make an apology to Jerry Kuipers for the photograph someone included in my last week's newsletter report? I'm guessing that Chris Cottrell was too scared to include it within his portion! I'm not too sure why Chris wanted to include the interior of Kerry's cart. What wrong with Jerry's interest in technology and preparedness to purchase it. I cannot see anything wrong with the new heating tower Jerry has purchased and sits in the centre of his cart! Good on you Jerry and don't let Chris upset you!

Representative Team trials begin off Black and Blue tee

The trials has now three Blue tees and two Black tees. The results are available on the website.

Upcoming events:

Representative Team trials continue.

17th July KORNZ Cup. Stableford Match play with Alpha Group from 11.30. Put your name down on the sheet in the pro shop if you wish to be involved.

Club Championships the first qualifying round is set down for the 4th of Sept and the finals day the 9th of October. More information to follow in July.

Closest to the Pin:

I had a great surprise and pleasure this week to type out the closest to pin advertising document and saw I was typing the 150th sheet! It's hard to believe that this initiative from the Match Committee has been that long and successful. We began the initiative of club member sponsorship on the 28th of October 2017 and in total some 167 members or businesses have sponsored to date. I would like to thank those members or businesses of whom many have sponsored multiple times for their support and the weekly four-hole challenge they have enabled to remain.

We currently have sponsorship through to September 2021 but are actively looking for more people of come forward and have a turn. If there is anyone who would like to sponsor the \$40 or provide the appropriate value prizes for the closest to the pin, could you approach James Willetts, Vance Heteraka, JB, Puds or myself.

Previous week (26 June) Brian Docherty

This week (3 July) Wing Gin

Following Week (10 July) Walter Scott

Membership Welfare:

Ian Carruthers (Ex-Employee (The Super) and club members)

I visited Ian and he is feeling much better after the surgery. If anyone has some time, please give Ian a call on his home phone 347 4226.

Comment:

I am away from the club in Hamner this weekend and Puds and JB will be out there covering for me. Thanks guys.

Get out there and enjoy winter golf!

David Harvey

Men's Captain

LADIES REPORT

Don't forget about "She Loves Golf" that was supposed to be held a couple of weeks ago but was rained off. New date is 11th July. Sandy would like to hear from anyone who is able to assist.

We would like to remind the ladies of the mid-winter Christmas lunch on the 6th of July. We still need raffle prizes. There is a box in the ladies' office for donated items. Please pay the \$20 for the lunch to Janice

Saturday

Four players enjoyed a sun filled afternoon game of golf for a change. Tracey Bruce came in 1st with 21 Stablefords.

Tee times for Saturday 4th July is 1.18pm & 1.30pm. Anyone wishing to join us please book on line in these slots

Sunday

Once again rained off. Joy went out to the club to see if any brave souls turned up, but no one did, so she went home.

Tee times for next Sunday usual time of 10.30

Tuesday

Rained off

Thursday

There were fourteen players

Played for Stablefords and Betty McBirdie trophy

1st- Judith Wilson on count back with 17 Stablefords, 2nd Elaine McGowan with 17 Stablefords and 3rd Sung In Park also with 17 Stablefords.

Starting time/ tee time for both summer and winter on a Tuesday and Thursday is 9.30am

A small but dedicated group of 18-hole ladies play Tuesday and Thursday starting at 9am.

Anne Morgan

WEDNESDAY GOLF

10 Wednesday Watering Tournament:

This Wednesday we had our extra \$10 Tournament (as there were 5 Wednesdays in the month), and only 15 sturdy players turned up to play for meat prizes from our friends at **New World Supermarket Bishopdale**. The course was again in fabulous condition with the greens rolling so nicely in the surprisingly warm winter conditions. The tournament was won by Paul Carpinter with 37 points and the prizes paid down to 31. Great to see PC as a regular at the prize table!

The results included:

1 st	Paul Carpinter	37
2 nd	Geoff Miller	36
3 rd	Malcolm Wratt	35
4 th	Jimmy Anderson	34
5 th	Richard Kingsbury	33 (C/B)
6 th	Walter Scott	33

The two closest to the pins were picked up by Wing Gin on number 7 and 17.

The story of the day was the performance of our great club member stalwart Swampy. He put himself into a challenging four including Malcolm Wratt and without his normal support group of Paul Snape and Russell McGregor. Well you wouldn't believe how much stick Swampy got in the

clubroom from Malcolm (editor note – it wasn't just me – look who put the story in the newsletter!) as he only managed 18 stablefords! Even I felt sorry for him and both Malcolm and Swampy spoke genuinely of how well he putted! Poor Swampy had one good hole on number 8 - a fabulous birdie three for four points as he talked through his round. That leaves only 14 from the other seventeen holes. Golf - you just have to laugh!

Do remember our **\$15 'Lone Star / Joes Garage Group' Watering Tournament** on the **7th July** and the **\$10 Tournament** on the **21st July**.

Remember all the tournament starts at 10.30 a.m and are focused on getting people into the clubrooms not just playing golf!

THURSDAY MEN'S GROUP

A fine frosty morning and a field of 27 lined up for a Stroke round off the Yellow tees for the Jerry Attick Trophy. The conditions are (winter heavy) with the greens initially damp, although they sped up as they dried and were running very truly assuming you hit straight!!

Full results were as follows:

1 st	Phil Olsen	69
	(And winner of the Jerry Attick Trophy for July.)	
2 nd	Greg Carr	70
3 rd	Malcolm Wratt	71
4 th	Derrick Xu	73
	(Outstanding off a Plus 2!!!)	
5 th	Paul Carpinter	73
6 th	Lex Halford	73



There were 2's for John Brettell and Lex Halford at 17 and Jason Busbridge at 5 and 17 the latter being 6 inches short dead online. One could feel a thirst coming on quite quickly!!! Hoping for good weather again next week and until then good golfing.

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men

AND NOW

Pirate Problems

A pirate walked into a bar and the bartender said, 'Hey, I haven't seen you in a while. What happened? You look terrible.'

'What do you mean?' said the pirate, 'I feel fine.'

Bartender, 'What about the wooden leg? You didn't have that before.'

Pirate, 'Well, we were in a battle and I got hit with a cannon ball, but I'm fine now.'

Bartender, 'Well, OK, but what about that hook? What happened to your hand?'

Pirate, 'We were in another battle. I boarded a ship and got into a sword fight. My hand was cut off. I got fitted with a hook. I'm fine, really.'

'Bartender 'What about that eye patch?'

Pirate, 'Oh, one day we were at sea and a flock of birds flew over. I looked up and one of them shit in my eye.'

'You're kidding,' said the bartender, 'you lost an eye just from bird shit.'

Pirate, 'It was my first day with the hook.'

If any of you have news that would be appropriate for this newsletter, please email it me at:

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