



Coringa News



16th June 2022

Kia Ora

SATURDAY'S MATCH

This Saturday's golf includes:

- The "Match of the Day": a Stableford competition off the Blue or Silver Tees for men and off the Yellow tees for women.
- The finals of the Howarth Salvors competition
- The first round of the Blank Interclub Trial, [see below]
- The Winter Ringers.
- The Shootout.

Remember **Covid protocols** (especially face masks, as the problem has not gone away!)

Last week's raffle winners

Steve Satherley (30); Paul Snape (19, & 41); Jerry Kuipers (16); Allan McLelland (38); John Matthews (28)

The programme until the end of July 2022 is:

June	18	Sat	Stableford – Blue / Silver tees [1 st Interclub Trial] Shootout Finals Howarth Salvors – (Silver tees on handicap). Winter ringers.
	21	Tue	Ladies: Best nett Trophy
	22	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	23	Thu	Ladies: Stableford Men: Stableford - Yellow tees
	25	Sat	Irish Stableford – Black / Silver tees. [2 nd interclub Trial]

			Shootout Winter ringers.
	28	Tues	Ladies: Stableford
	29	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	30	Thu	Ladies: Fun Game Men: American Stableford – Yellow tees
July	2	Sat	Stableford – Blue / Yellow tees Rep Trial Process – Blue tees. Shootout Winter Ringers
	5	Tue	Ladies: Mid-Winter Lunch (possibly help required).
	6	Wed	Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees. 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.)
	7	Thu	Ladies: Betty McBirdie Men: Stroke – Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees
	9	Sat	Stroke – White tees. Rep Trial Process – Black tees. Shootout Winter Ringers
	12	Tue	Ladies: Val Sutherland
	13	Wed	Templeton Wednesday Tournament
	14	Thu	Ladies: L G U Men: – Stableford – White tees
	16	Sat	Par – Black / Yellow tees. Rep Trial Process – Black tees. KORNZ Cup: Alfa Group v Afternoon Mens from 11.30 a.m. Shootout Winter Ringers
	19	Tue	Ladies: Best Nett Trophy
	20	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	21	Thu	Ladies: Stableford trophy Men: Par – Yellow tees
	23	Sat	Irish Stableford – Blue / Silver tees Rep Trial Process – Blue tees Shootout Winter Ringers
	26	Tue	Ladies: Hidden Holes - Stableford
	27	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	28	Thu	Ladies Stableford Men: Stableford - Yellow tees.
	30	Sat	4BBB nett – Silver tees Urlwin Rosebowl Qualifying (16 pairs to qualify). Shootout

CORINGA SUCCESS

2022 Canterbury Golf Champion of Champions - Coringa Golf Club



Another momentous success has been achieved by our club champion representatives (pictured above): John Rademakers (a late replacement for Rohan Ware who is self-isolating with Covid) - Senior, Albert Yee - Intermediate and Chris Choie (who replaced Garry Puddy who was expected to travel for work duties) - Junior.

They combined to win the coveted Champion of Champions title, playing in a field of over 70, (from 25 clubs), at the Waimairi Beach course last Sunday. This is the third time in the past 12 years, that our club representatives have proved themselves amongst the best of the best of all affiliated clubs in Canterbury and come out on top.

With John leading from the front, he shot a solid 4 over 76, Albert was next to tee off for the team and came in with a credible 82 after having 2 triple bogeys when in prime position to capitalise on the holes, only for a poor stroke or ball contact letting him down. He also scored an eagle on Hole # 1 and two birdies. Chris anchored the team at the tail end of the field and his group being the last to tee off, would've experienced the worst of playing conditions as wind came up and endured much more of the rain. Having left his companion dog roaming free outside at his home for the day, Chris raised his game play and shot an impressive 82 which included a disastrous blowout hole which he'd like to forget. What was surprising was their team winning margin of 5 over their closest rival Templeton.

This special tournament began with the morning play under cold overcast conditions with strong northerlies prevalent and with the likelihood of some rain imminent. The greens were extremely quick, and the wind did not relent, making it very tricky to judge on treacherous downhill breaking putts. Most of the pin placements were in very challenging positions to test the prowess of the participants to get their approaches close.

Prior to the results being presented to those that remained in the clubhouse, we believed that Hole # 13, a sharp dog right par 5, would be the Achille's heel for the team as Albert and Chris shot an aggregate of 19 (9 over) for that hole, both failing to get out of the frontside bunker which had some very deep fluffy light sand in it. However, they need to be commended for putting that hole behind them and having the fortitude to still perform at their highest level under trying conditions.

Besides winning the Overall Team title based on Gross Stableford, John won the Senior Individual Net Stableford and Chris won the Junior Individual Net Stableford.

Well done guys!!! This brings great pride and joy to all Coringa members.
Reported by Kevin King (Albert Yee's Caddie)

Course News

Its been a busy week on the Course front

- Rohan's recovered from his brush with COVID and is busy back at the Club
- Our new Greenskeeper, Cameron Jeffrey, started on Wednesday. Please make him feel welcome when you see him around the course
- The 14th green has now been sprayed to get rid of the moss that's been affecting it. Rohan's also put some iron on it to colour it up (the spray browns the green a bit). Rohan's confident we'll get it back into decent shape soon – the missing ingredient is.....
- the new coring machine which should be with us on Friday (photos in next weeks newsletter). The machine will be put to work asap as Rohan's keen to get started punching holes in the Greens (this isn't a full coring, rather just enough to let the water through the solid grass covering on the Greens)

We also owe **Doug Hobson** a belated thanks – Doug arranged for the car park to be graded a couple of weeks ago and its great to be able to drive into the Club without having to navigate the pot holes, especially around the entrance way.

Sorry we didn't say thank you earlier Doug – it's much appreciated.

Tuesday Crew

The team had a big day at the Club this week. With a sunny but cool day the team had a busy day pouring concrete for the new washdown area by the Greens Keeper shed



The team poured the concrete on the 6m2 washdown pad (and yes we did let Walter out before the concrete set)



While Brian played on the digger.....(actually he was busy digging the soak pits at both ends of the shed – this will mean that all the rainwater from the shed’s roof has somewhere to go rather than pouring onto the ground besides the shed and flooding the surrounding paths and work areas each winter)

Under the watchful eye of the Boss (there in the red shirt) the crew smoothed (and smoothed and smoothed) the concrete (this went on until well into the night with the Boss still working under car headlights at 9pm that night!!)



There’s more to do – boxing to remove, soak pits to filled in and another concrete pour next week for the drive-on area, but we should have it largely completed in a week’s time (weather permitting).

It will be another significant project ticked off by the team (FYI – it would have cost the Club another \$2,000 just to lay the concrete without the Tuesday crew doing all the labour)

It's also great the Club can finally give the Greens Keeping team the facilities that they deserve - Rohan has been asking for this area for a long time now and was a very happy man on Tuesday!!

And even better – this project has largely been funded by the sale of the old scrap mowers that we've had hanging outside the Green Keepers shed (double benefit – we tidy up the old machinery lying rusting around outside and in doing so, it pays for most of the materials used here).

What a great day !!!!

INTERCLUB

Blank Cup Trial Programme

There are several new low handicap golfers playing, so please contact John Rademakers, (the trial convenor and selector), or the pro shop (see below). We would love to see as many of you who are able involved.

The trial process, depending on weather and course conditions, will be the average Of five (of six possible rounds) scheduled rounds between 18th June and 23rd July.

Trial Format - Six dates are available to put in a minimum of five scores. Anyone who chooses to play all six rounds - their scores will be averaged over their six rounds.

Sat 18th June	Blue Tees
Sat 25th June	Black Tees
Sat 2nd July	Blue Tees
Sat 9th July	Black Tees
Sat 16th July	Blue Tees
Sat 23rd July	Blue Tees
Sun 24th July	Team announced

1st Blank Interclub match scheduled for Sunday 7th August 2022.

Trial Format:

1. Automatic selection awarded to the first 6 past the post.
2. Selector reserves the right to exercise 2 'Selector's choices' for the remaining 2 spots
3. Anyone who withdraws prior to completing a full trial round due to poor play will receive a score of 99!
4. Trialists are expected to team up so they may score each other's cards. Otherwise, election of a Non-Trialist scorer subject to selector's prior approval.
5. No Gimme Putts, as the Trial forms part of the Saturday competition. Two stroke penalty for those in breach.

To date the following have expressed an interest in being involved in the trials:

Scott Calvert, John Gaw, Paul Hansen, Mike James, Richard Kingsbury, Jason McCauley, S.Y. Park, John Rademakers, Lin Wang, Roy Wang, Rohan Ware, Spencer Wicks, Derrick Xu.

Any other Players wishing to participate are to notify Pro shop or John Rademakers at john.rademakers@xtra.co.nz or Ph 027 2237705 by 11th June 2022.

John Rademakers

WINTER RINGERS – 2022

The second round of 2022 Winter Ringers competition saw an additional 10 Ringers participants enter (room for more entries). After a somewhat mild overnight winter temperatures, a frost-free course was presented but the some of the bare patches around the course are slowly getting churned up with flow of traffic so please avoid these areas as much as possible. The pace of the greens have slowed down in the past fortnight but are still rolling pretty good.

After Round 2, Alan Wicks (20.3) has surged in to the lead with a net score of 59.75, an improvement of 9.05 from the previous week. This relegated Walter Scott (14.0) back into second spot on a net score of 61.0...a net 0.8 advantage over Daniel Wilson (25.2) who improved 21 spots on 61.8, followed by Lex Halford (13.0) on 62.05 who improved 9 spots. There are now 23 players who have managed to secure a better than net score of 70.

There were an additional 23 birdies recorded by the Ringers field this week, with Lex Halford leading this statistic with 3 birdies, all attained this week on Holes # 5, # 12 and # 16, followed by John Gaw, Gordon McCoy, Kyle Charlwood and Vance Hetaraka, all with 2 birdies.

Please remember to hand in your signed scorecards after the completion of your round into the Pro Shop so that they can be processed as part of the MOTD competition field results. This will enable your round score to be picked up from Dotgolf to be processed as part of your Ringers compilation.

The long-range weather for Round 3, is forecasting partly cloudy with light winds, with a high of 11 forecasted and an overnight low of 2. Hopefully this won't deter us hardy golfers from getting out on the course and making a determined effort to beat the course and one's handicap.

If you haven't already entered, **it's not too late...come and join in on the FUN...just add your name on the entry sheet in the Pro Shop and pay the entry fee of \$10, along with the Match of the Day fee...**if you played and entered the match of the day of the previous week then that scorecard will be included...play your game and enjoy the friendly rivalry and banter each week as the competition progresses to its finale.

See you out there on Saturday and Happy Golfing.

Kevin King

Ringers Organiser

THE RYAN FOX REPORT

Ryan starts in the US Golf Open at the County Club, Brookline, Massachusetts starting on Friday morning. He will be joined by Danny Lee who qualified by finishing 10th at the Canadian Open last week.

The par 71 course has a field of 157 players competing for the title last won by John Rahm. The US open has a prize pool of US \$12.5m

In his weekly text to the club Ryan said, ***“its been great to have a break over the last 2 weeks and I'm looking forward to the Open. It's gonna be a good test of golf.”***

Phil Olsen



MEN'S REPORT

This Saturday, the 18th of June, is a Stableford round off the Blue or Silver tees for men and women off the Yellow tees. Also, the first round of the Interclub trial off the Blue tees and the finals of the Howarth Salvagers off the Silver tees where the following matches are to be played:

Senior Division

Grant Morris v Mal Ashton.

Intermediate

Garry Puddy v Duncan Shaw-Brown.

Junior

Jon Kemp v Chris (Two shots) Cottrell.

Good luck to those playing and I have booked you two tee times from 10 am for the three finals.

I found it quite funny sitting in the clubroom after my Saturday round and the fluids and stories were starting to flow from some of the participants in the Howarth Salvagers! Anyhow, it was good to hear good old Chris (Two Shots) Cottrell complaining about having to give Alan Smith six shots! The funny thing he never seems to say anything when I have to give him 18 shots and more sometimes!

Last Saturday, the 11th of June was a 4BBB Stableford teams competition round off the Silver tees for men and women off the Yellow tees. Once again it was great to see 45 teams entering the competition which again is fabulous numbers. These numbers, however, are causing some issues with delays off the first tee block and most rounds are taking four and a half hours. Again, last Saturday I was about 20 minutes plus late teeing off but as we played, I did not see any gaps in the flow of the field. Lets work people on getting the rounds completed nearer to four hours if possible as we all know after 4 o'clock anyone on the course finds it cold. By keeping the pace up it also allows the Alpha Group to finish on Saturday in reasonable temperatures.

Could I remind members to look for and repair any divots on the greens, rack the bunkers where necessary and where possible walk around the outside of bunkers please!

The round of the day went to John Rademakers who shot 75 to win the Gross Competition. The top 4BBB Stableford score went on count back to Callum Doherty and Thomas Grimshaw from Phil Olsen and Alan Wicks with 46 stablefords. The Jackpot pool stands at \$435, the Birdies hole stands at \$324 and only the Net Eagle hole was struck by Paul Carpinter and Alan McLelland each receiving \$34.

The full results are available on the website.

I had a look at some of the scores for our Howarth Salver participants and my golly some of scores didn't represent that they play for each other i.e. Grant Morris and Paul Snape scored 36, Andrew Wight and Garry Puddy and Jon Kemp and Barry Stringer both scored 35. I did hear a rumour that some of the match play competition got down to who didn't want to win the hole as some of the play was that bad.

It's great to see Scott Calvert is back out playing weekly and I hear playing some very inconsistent golf, as some others of us! I understand Scott took three to get out of the bunker on number 7 and then birdied number 8. How does that inconsistency happen! Anyhow Scotty's scored three birdies, five pars, seven bogies and three double or more bogies. Thanks for taking some of the pressure off me Scotty.

Handicap Committee:

The Handicap Committee have discussed the June handicap audit documents and we currently have only two men members with their handicaps held within the hard cap (le five shot movement), but we have 5 Women and 41 Men identified as having moved three shots between their low index and the current handicap, (the Soft cap).

The Committee has spoken to the two members identified as being held within the hard cap and their handicaps have been modified.

The Handicap Committee also wishes to remind people on honesty is a two way responsibility of both the player and the scorer to actively watch each other's play, counting the number of shots, be aware of the lie of each other's balls, be aware of the Rules of Golf including the Local Rules, and discuss if any relief being sought is allowed and in compliance with these rules.

The Local Rules include the authorisation to seek relief if your ball is laying on stones, or near a tree root and is likely to damage your club, or injure yourself. You can ask your partner for relief and if they agree, then you get a club lengths free drop without penalty for your ball.

Upcoming events:

18 th June	Inter-club Trial begins
16 th July	KORNZ Cup from 11.15. (I will check with the Alpha Group about playing the event.)
29 th June	Additional Wednesday Tournament
6 th July	"Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group" Wednesday Tournament

Closest to the Pin

Weekly	Hancock's Wine and Beer Merchants
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Raffle Trial

The match committee has decided to trial meat vouchers from 'Peter Timbs Bishopdale' for our weekly raffles instead of meat prizes! We will trial these for a three-week period and seek feedback on this decision.

Membership Welfare:

If anyone knows of a member who has a health issue or need a bit of help please let me know!

Comment

This week I was again out with the Tuesday group working on a new concreted wet area for the green staff to clean down the course equipment. What a great job has been done under the leadership and supervision of 'The Boss' Russell McGregor and '2 i/c' Paul Snape! The group is trying to help clean up the surrounds, and improve the area around the shed including the removal of the old equipment. Could I thank 'The Money Man' Malcolm Wratt, Walter Scott, Barry Nelson, 'Mr Equipment' Brian Docherty, 'The Trainee Boss' Alan Smith, and 'Mr Chainsaw' Phil Olsen for making their time available to improve our club environment. Thanks guys. I know the improvements are being well received by Rohan and Steve!

I mentioned last week the culture that has developed within the Tuesday Group as we strive to do what we can to improve the course and it's surrounds, and to have a fit of fun at the same time, If there is anyone else interested in being involved or helping the group, please have a talk to someone from the group or just turn up around 9 on a Tuesday!

Well, haven't we seen some outstanding examples of a team culture within that Queensland State of Origin side last Wednesday and then on Friday within that awesome Crusaders Team. What a superb example of defence by both sides and then the ability to turn defence into attack! Both sides are outstanding teams which have supporting organisations many other sides around the world try to replicate but just don't quite get there! We are very fortunate with the Crusaders, and I wish them all the best for the final on Saturday against the Blues. Go the Crusaders!

The Match Committee wants to create a winning culture and confidence within all of our inter club sides. The win by John, Albert and Chris in the Champion of Champions is the start! The Match Committee wants the Blank Cup trial to highlight our best players and develop them to take Coringa back into the Woodward Cup division. So, all our low handicap golfers should be trialling for the side. The Match Committee and Board will do whatever we can to develop this culture, so get out on the course and show John that you both want and deserve to be selected. It's our goal to get back into Woodward Cup. Good luck to those trialists!

Could I lastly thank Gus Eathorne for the box of golf balls he donated to the Match Committee.

Get out there and enjoy playing our challenging course!

David Harvey
Men's Captain

LADIES REPORT

Tournaments

For all tournaments, please contact Leigh on 0274340872 if you want to play in any of them.

Calling all 18 Hole ladies who have a handicap index of 27 or less.

Sandy, our Ladies club Captain has been contacted by Christchurch Club to see if we would like to put a team in for the Cowlshaw Cup. It is to be played on Tuesday August 23rd 2022 at 9.15am. ENTRIES CLOSE ON Friday August 12th 2022

If anyone is interested in putting a team together, can you please contact Sandy so that she can enter you.

Thursday – Club Day

Today we welcomed a visitor, Judith Bennett who may join us. It was lovely to have Judith playing with us.

This week played for LGU. 1st was Myra, with 38 and then 3 cards were on 40 so 2nd on draw was sandy and 3rd Janice McPhail

Next week Stableford

Saturday

Only three came to play on a very cold Saturday morning, so we just had a friendly match No time has been booked for next Saturday

18-hole ladies- Dave Harvey is happy to accommodate you within the men's game on a Saturday

Sunday

Rained off Starting time next Sunday is 10.30.

Tuesday

Today there were four ladies and two men and they counted putts. Sandy won with 14 putts and Janice McPhail 2nd with 18 putts

Next Tuesday best nett Trophy

Don't forget that on Tuesdays and Thursday you need to have your card in by 9.15am, so that the draw can be put together

General news

Please put in your Diaries July 5th for our midwinter lunch. Cost \$20

Canterbury Golf Women's Forum

I attended on behalf of the club. 90% of the information related to 18-hole interclub.

Blair Milton from Canterbury Golf (CG) talked about his role as development manager. CG are running programs for youngsters (female) to develop their golf. Currently they are running 4 sessions a week 2 at Waimari and 2 at Russley. There is high demand for these programs, and they be looking at increasing the sessions.

Mike Millward also from CG talked about the juggling he has to do to fit all the interclub games in both 18 and 9 holes.

Pam Ellis chair of the CG ladies committee asked that all players who enter tournaments be it 9 or 18 holes, know their handicap before going as not all clubs have the on-line system.

Anne Morgan

WEDNESDAY GOLF

'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' Wednesday \$10 and \$15 Tournaments:

This Wednesday, the 15th of June, we had our \$10 tournament and 40 participants played for meat prizes from 'New World Bishoptdale' and closest to the pin prizes from 'Hancock's'. Once again only five played to or above their handicaps. Prizes were paid down to 32 stablefords in Division Two, so come out and help make some money for the club.

Division One	[19 and below]	
1 st	Andrew Cleland	38
3 rd	David Harvey	36
4 th	Malcolm Wratt	35
6 th	Russell McGregor	34(C/B)
7 th	Paul Snape	34
8 th	John Rademakers	33(C/B)

Division Two	[19.1 and above]	
1 st	Trevor Lee	37
2 nd	Robert Pryce	36
4 th	Paul Carpinter	34
5 th	Ross Ricketts	33(C/B)
8 th	Sue Smith	32

We will be out at Ellesmere next Wednesday.

As there are five Wednesdays this month we are having a third Wednesday tournament.

This means will be having two tournaments in a row on the 29th June and then 6th

July. The 29th tournament will be for meat from our friends as 'New World Bishoptdale' and then the 6th will include the \$50 vouchers from 'The Lone Star and Joes Garage Group',

meat prizes from 'New World Bishopdale' and closest to the pin and random draw prizes from 'Hancock's. The tournaments starts at 10.30 am and everyone must be on the course by 11.30. Just turn up and join group for a round between those times!

Thanks once again to our sponsors.

David Harvey

THURSDAY GOLF

A very cold start for a Par match off Yellow tees and clearly it took a while for our older joints etc to unwind as the scoring was less than spectacular.

The full results were as follows:

1 st	Graeme Bennetts	+2
2 nd	Tom White	+2 (A 501 going the other way!!!!)
3 rd	Chris Cottrell	+1
4 th	Peter Bailey	+1
5 th	Phil Olsen	+1
6 th	Michael Healey	All square

We had a 2 for Duncan Shaw-Brown and nearest the pins (thanks to Hancock's) to Paul Carpenter (#7) and Doug Ames (#17). Doug assures me it was a 3 wood, not a driver!!!! I once again noted the Club Captain out practicing!! . Here's hoping our luck with the weather continues and until next week good golfing.

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men

AND NOW

The Truckie and the Emu

A truckie walks into an outback cafe with a full-grown emu behind him.

The waitress asks them for their orders.

The truckie says, 'A hamburger, chips and a coke,' and turns to the emu, 'What's yours?' - 'Sounds great, the same,' says the emu.

A short time later the waitress returns with the order 'That will be \$9.40 please,' and he reaches into his pocket and pulls out the exact change and pays.

The next day, the man and the emu come again and he says, 'A burger, chips and a coke.' - 'Sounds great, I'll have the same,' says the emu.

Again the truckie reaches into his pocket and pays with exact change.

This becomes routine until the two enter again. 'The usual?' asks the waitress.

'No, it's Friday night, so I'll have a steak, baked potato and a salad,' says the man. 'Brilliant idea, same for me,' says the emu.

Shortly the waitress brings the order and says, 'That will be \$32.60'

Once again the man pulls the exact change out of his pocket and places it on the table.

The waitress cannot hold back any longer. 'Excuse me mate, how do you manage to always pull the exact change from your pocket every time?'

'Well, love' says the truckie, 'a few years ago, I was cleaning out the back shed, and found an old lamp. When I cleaned it, a Genie appeared and offered me two wishes.

My first wish was that if I ever had to pay for anything, I would just put my hand in my pocket and the right amount of money would always be there.'

'That's brilliant!' says the waitress. 'Most people would ask for a million dollars or something, but you'll always be as rich as you want, for as long as you live!'

'That's right. Whether it's a carton of milk or a new car, the exact money is always there,' says the man.

Still curious the waitress asks, 'What's with the emu?'

The truckie pauses, sighs, and answers, 'My second wish was for a tall bird with long legs, who agrees with everything I say.'

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