



Coringa News



13th February 2025

Kia Ora,

Saturday's Match

- An Irish Stableford Competition off the dual Blue / Silver tees, yellow tees for women.
- Foley Cup matchplay – Final
- Summer Ringers.
- Shootout

Raffle Winners

Harv 40, Keith Yardley 1, John Maasch 49, Jennifer Cho 37, Richard Maguire 5, Alan Smith 6.

Program until the end of March - 2025

	15	Sat	Irish Stableford – Blue / Silver tees Final Foley Cup Summer Ringers Shootout.
	16	Sun	Interclub Over 50's / 60's - at McLeans Island Presidents – away game vs Hagley Metro A – away game vs Harewood
	17	Mon	Interclub; Women 18 Hole Silver; at Waimairi Beach, vs Tai Tapu 18 Hole 4's; at Bottle Lake – Coringa 1 vs Tai Tapu Coringa 2 vs Akaroa 9 Hole; at Templeton – vs Ellesmere

			18-hole Silver – at Tai Tapu, vs Russley 18-hole 4's; - at Russley Coringa 1 vs Akaroa Coringa 2 vs Waimak Gorge 1 9-hole; - at Rangiora, vs Tai Tapu
	18	Tue	Ladies; Stableford Foursomes Rosebowl
	19	Wed	Wednesday Tournament – Stableford – Silver tees 10.30am start – entry fee \$10 Members - \$15 Visitors.
	20	Thu	Ladies; LGU
	22	Sat	Par – Black / White tees Shootout
	23	Sun	Interclub Metro A – Final Round – all teams playing at Coringa
	24	Mon	Interclub – Women 18-hole Silver – at Russley, vs Waitikiri
	25	Tue	Ladies; Mixed Tees Twilight
	26	Wed	Ellesmere Wednesday Tournament
	27	Thu	Ladies; Stableford Trophy – Longest Drive
	29	Sat	Stroke – Blue / White tees Vets Cup – 4th Round Shootout
	31	Mon	Interclub – Women 18-hole Silver – at Waitikiri, vs Rangiora

CLUB NEWS

Course News

Green speed is a slow 9.2 feet. The course got a wire to wire cut this week and it's looking pretty sharp. The greens were sprayed urgently on Thursday morning with fungicide as we had disease (Dollar Spot) start to appear Wednesday afternoon. There have been a few areas on the greens that have had some repairs done to them, greens are 1/5/8/10/13/14/17 and the putting green, they were spiked seeded some wetting agent granules and sand. 1 and 5 greens do have an area marked GUR. On the 13th green there's some funny brown spots, this is just fertilizer burn so don't worry it will just mow out over the next few days.

Next week,

We do have some staff away so it will mainly be just looking after the mowing of the course, but we will always try to fit in the odd extra job

Rohan.

New Members

Welcome to Coringa to

McGillivray, Callum

Niu, Remy

Small, Samuel

Cadigan, Colin

Wise, Bradley

FOLEY CUP

I played late last week and I missed hearing all about the semi-final matches, so no match report this week sorry,

I can see by the scoring on dot.golf, both matches were very close with the lead changing hands several times.

Results

Seamus O'Cromtha won - vs Garry Puddy

Roy Wang won - vs Kyle Charlwood

Congratulations to Roy and Seamus, both first time finalists in this competition, all the best to you both.

Final draw and tee time

9.34 Seamus O'Cromtha v Roy Wang

INTERCLUB

Presidents vs Hagley

9am at Hagley

Metro A vs Harewood

At Harewood

Over 50's & 60's

Final round at McLeans Island

CANTERBURY STROKE PLAY

This year's tournament was well represented by Coringa members, Woo Bong Kim, Mike Boshoff, Walker Lin, Dean Harvey, James Howard.

Congratulations to James Howard, taking 3rd place in the men's Masters division.

[Click here - to view the full report from Canterbury Golf](#)

NZ MEN'S SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Patterson Wins.....again!

ex-Coringa golfer Brent Paterson has won an amazing 7th national title.

[Click here - to view the full report from NZ Golf](#)

Congratulations also to John Rademakers on winning his division. Well done Dutchy.

SOUTH ISLAND UNDER 19 & 16 BOYS and GIRLS TOURNAMENT

Coringa has been approached by NZ Golf to host the South Island under 19 and 16 Boys and Girls Championship over the week Monday the 14th through to Thursday the 17th April. The tournament is a 54 hole tournament with a maximum of 144 players. The 14th is registration and practice day while the next three days are the championship days with morning and afternoon fields.

The 2024 tournament held at the Otago Golf Course and attracted 87 participants.

The board has agreed to the approach with Brian Docherty and David Harvey undertaking the planning and management of the tournament co-ordinators role on behalf of the board.

NZ Golf deals with the day to day running of the competition but they have suggested the club will need to provide daily up to seven volunteers, which does not include the potential need for assistance within the cafe and course preparation.

Brian and Harv will be managing the volunteers, so if anyone is interested in assisting, please contact them or email David.harvey@xtra.co.nz.

Further details will be released closer to the date of the tournament.

Harv

CORINGA MENS and WOMENS OPEN - 5th April 2025

It's with pleasure that I can announce that I have already secured principle sponsorship for the 2025 Coringa Open with '**The Lone Star and Joes Garage Group**', '**Peter Timbs Bishopdale**', '**New World Bishopdale**', and '**Goodman Fielder**'. This means we are well down the path to be having a better competition prize table than last year.

I am also meeting this week with '**Golf Warehouse, Riccarton Park**' in the hope of securing further sponsorship.

If there are any club members who have contacts or friends who may wish to assist the club with sponsorship, could you contact David Harvey on David.harvey@xtra.co.nz.

The tournament is open to male and females golfer who have an 18 hole handicap and last year there was ten prizes within the yet to be set divisions.

Once again the Open sub committee has made the decision to charge club member \$35 and non club members \$50 to enter the tournament. It members time to bring some non club member friends to share the experience, of just how good the course can be set up for tournaments.

I would suggest that people organise their groups early to avoid disappointment, as the field is limited to 120 participants again and fills up very fast. In previous years the field has been filled within three weeks of bookings being opened. Once again when you book for yourself or your group, you need to pay either online by making a deposit through the clubs bank account 03 0854 0006713 00 including your name and Dotgolf numbers or through the Proshop, where the sheet will be available from this Thursday the 13th.

Tee times will start around 9.30 and between 10.30 with the draw being entered into Dotgolf in the week before.

Once again there will be a random draw of a putter and a prize for the first 'hole in one' achieved within the tournament.

The tournament is a significant fundraiser for the club. This year the board has decided that the funds raised will be used to assist with the purchase of a new fairway mower, which is consistent with the boards desire to modernise the courses equipment.

There will be again a number of raffles organised for the day. Previously many members have assisted with the purchase of these or provided prizes directly to me. Can I ask any generous members to leave their donations with the Pro-shop or contact me, either on email or 021 1499070. Once again thank those members who have assisted previously.

Members will see that I have put some draft posters around the clubroom.

Harv

SUMMER RINGERS

[Click here - to view the latest ringers results on Coringa website.](#)

After completion of Round 10 of the 2024/25 Summer Ringers Competition, there were about 10 competitors who did not play this round and there was roughly an even split playing off the Blue and Silver tees, with the ladies playing off the yellow tees.

This round saw Leighton Sparks (12.822) continue to hold his lead with another qualifying birdies scored on Hole # 15. He now leads the field with a slightly decreased margin of 2.585 on 47.178, over Peter Marsh (30.238) who moved up 2 places on 49.763 after a weekly improvement of 2.108. Improving 10 places into third place is Peter Bailey (23.060) on 49.940, a further 0.177 behind. Vance Hetaraka (13.350) improved 7 places to lie in fourth spot, on 50.650, a weekly improvement of 1.906. The top 10 places this week are separated by an increased margin of 5.059 (4.312).

There were 15 new birdies or better recorded last week, with the highlights being the sub 80 rounds shot by S Y Park (3.5) and Roan Buitendag (5.3) with 78's off the Blue tees and a round of 80 shot by Lex Halford (11.3) after having an early consecutive double -bogey on Holes # 3 and # 4. There were no eagles recorded this week.

The leader in the birdies or better statistics continues to be held by Leighton Sparks (12.822) with 13 birdies. Next is Mal Ashton (8.763) with a tally of an eagle and 10 birdies , followed by S Y Park (4.543) with an eagle and 9 birdies. Next are Rouan Buitendag (6.025) and Ram Thapa (11.078) having 10 birdies each.

There are now 53 players so far, to have to registered bogey or better on every hole.

The hardest ranked holes determined by the numbers of birdies or better carded after Round 10, is Hole # 9 with four birdies recorded by the Ringers field, with the next being Hole # 2 with only 6 birdies recorded so far. The easiest hole is Hole # 1 with 31 birdies or better by different players. The next easiest is Hole # 12 with 26 birdies or better by different players, then Holes # 14 and # 16 with 18 birdies each.

Group Leaderboards:

Group A - 13 players (Range 4.543 - 10.822)

1	Mal Ashton (8.763)	52.237
2	Richard Maguire (10.822)	54.178
3	David Harvey (9.122)	54.878

Group B - 21 players (Range 10.823 - 15.863)

1	Leighton Sparks (12.822)	48.088
2	Vance Hetaraka (13.350)	50.650
3	Ram Thapa (11.000)	52.000

Group C - 21 players (Range 15.864 - 32.044)

1	Peter Marsh (30.238)	49.763
2	Peter Bailey (23.060)	49.940
3	Richard McCaskill (25.267)	50.733

NB: Please remember that the groups remain dynamic and is based on your average handicap index calculated on all qualifying rounds you've played to date.

Here are some of the field statistics to date in the 2024/25 Summer Ringers Competition:

	This Week	Last Week
Number of Competitors	55	55
Range of Gross Scores	60 - 85	61 - 85
Range of Net Scores (Field)	47.178 - 62.700	50.029 - 65.050
Range of Net Scores (Top 20)	47.178 - 53.700	50.029 - 55.013

	# of Players	%
Under Net Par	55	100.00
Eagles or Better	7	12.73
Birdies or Better	52	94.55
Players with Multiple Birdies or Better	43	78.18
Bogeys or Worse to Discard	34	61.82
Double Bogeys or Worse to Discard	2	3.64

The weather outlook for this Saturday is looking favourable, it has a forecasted high of 25, fine with nor'easterlies after an overnight low of 12. See you out there...happy golfing.

Kevin King
Ringers Convener

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **23rd March – Metro A final round** – All teams playing at Coringa
- **5th April – CORINGA OPEN**
- **14 – 17 April – South Island Under 19 & 16 Boys and Girls Tournament**

LADIES GOLF NEWS

18-Holers: last week they played they played Stableford. 1st was Tina Park, 2nd Mary Jun and 3rd Jane Gin

This week they play their first round for the Orna /Webber trophy.

Next week they play Joan Bisset Nett R1

9-Holers (mixed):

Thursday: this week they played for Betty McBirdie. 1st Leigh with 23 Stablefords 2nd Graeme McPhail with 20 Stablefords and 3rd Janice McPhail with 17 Stablefords. Next week they play LGU. Duty person is Janet Harland

Saturday: If you are wanting to play on Saturdays with the 9-hole ladies please contact Tracey Bruce. tracey.bruce@cdhb.health.nz . Last Saturday they played Best Nett with winner being Anne Keh with Nett 40

Sunday: last Sunday only 2 turned up and played in the heat. Not recommended

Booking has been made for this coming Sunday at 10:16 am. They will play Stablefords

Tuesday: This week they play for the Best Nett Trophy. 1st Janice McPhail with Nett 36, 2nd Leigh with Nett 39 and 3rd Myra with Nett 40. Next week they play Stableford. Duty person is Myra Story.

General News:

Interclub: This week: games played 10/02/25

18 Hole Silver play Clearwater at Akaroa Golf Club. Clearwater won 4.0-2.0

4s 1 & 2 play each other at Waitikiri with the winner being Coringa 1 2.5-1.5

9 Hole mixed play Russley 2 at Russley. The winner was Russley 61-73

Next week 17/02/25

Silver play Tai Tapu at Waimairi Beach

4s: Coringa (1) plays Tai Tapu and Coringa (2) Plays Akaroa. All games at Bottle Lake

Mixed 9 holes play Ellesmere at Templeton

Best of Luck to you all

Programs for the year: there are now hard copies up in the lady's locker rooms. Today I have emailed you all the week ladies' programs, both 18-Hole and 9-Hole. If you have not received it, either we do not have an email address or you have changed it and not let us know.

Tournaments: For 9-hole ladies, can you please let Leigh know when you are wanting to enter tournaments and she will send your entry in. leigh72mcewen@icloud.com ph. 0274340872.

18-hole ladies. If you are wanting to enter any tournaments, please do this yourself. Do not forget to send in your Handicap, ID and Index.

If you want any more information, 18-holers please email me at jimmykatie57@gmail.com and I will send you all the details or go onto relevant Clubs website or Canterbury Golfs website.

9 Hole Tournaments

Ashburton, 9 Hole Tournament 2025 Open to Men and Women Thursday 20th February entry fee \$20

ELLESMERE GOLF CLUB 9 Hole Stableford Friday 21 March 2025 Entry fee \$25

18 Hole Tournaments

Hororata Golf Club WOMEN'S Team Stableford plus Best Individual Nett FRIDAY 21st February 2025 \$40 PER PERSON.

Amberley "WOMEN'S TEAM STABLEFORD TOURNAMENT" THURSDAY 6th MARCH 2025. \$120 per teams of 4

The kjoie style 3-day Hanmer Springs ladies 18 Hole Tournament. 7-9 MAR 2025. \$135 PER PLAYER (INCLUDES 2'S)

McLeans Island Golf Club Ladies 2 Ball Best Ball Tournament 14th March. Entry Fee \$60 per pair

Akaroa Ladies two-day Tournament. 12 & 13th May 2025. Entry fee \$80 per person

Anne Morgan Ladies Club Captain

MENS REPORT

This Saturday 15th February

Will be an Irish Stableford Competition off the dual Blue / Silver tees.
Foley Cup Finals
Summer ringers.
Shootout

Last Saturday 8th February

Was a Stableford round off the dual Blue / Silver tees,
We had 105 entries in the match of the day, with beautiful golfing weather, and ideal course conditions.

The top scorer today was Matt Harrison with a gross 75.

As usual there were fantastic scores out there posted in every division, with top honors going to Peter Bailey 41 pts and Andy Williamson on 40pts. Great to see Colin Harrison (39pts) in the prizes again for the 2nd week in a row, well done Colin.

I played alongside Kevin Walker, who made a very impressive eagle on the first hole, (5pts) finishing the front nine with 23 pts, I thought I was witnessing something special, until 4 holes to go Kev started to falter and struggled bringing it home, I think he finally got tired of carrying his partner in the haggie, (me of course) bad luck Kevin – but very well played up till then.

The 2's jackpot wasn't struck this week, and we had our fewest number of 2's I can remember with just 6 two's scored today.

I must have known today was my lucky day, and I made sure to draw the Net Eagle and Birdie holes in front of a lot of people, thanks to Andy Williamson and Frank Young for pulling out my numbers, (your bribe payments are in the mail)

Blue - Div One

Richard Kingsbury	38
Mike Arlidge	37
Matt Harrison	37

Blue - Div Two

Steven Satherley	38
Kevin Walker	37
Jesse Guise	36

Rouan Buitendag	36	Lindsay Smith	35
John Gaw	36	Daniel Hong	35

Silver - Div One

Lex Halford	38
Roy Wang	37
Johnny McKay	37
Brian McOscar	35
Allan McLelland	35

Silver – Div Two

Andy Williamson	40
Charlie Longley	39
Michael Homan	37
Murray Angus	36
Michael Smith	35

White – Div Three

Peter Bailey	41
Colin Harrison	39
Harry Lim	38
Keith Yardley	38
Doug Densem	37

Best Gross Matt Harrison (75)

Nett Eagle Hole (8) Andrew Mackway-Jones, Vance.

Birdie Hole (5) Oliver Snape, Jennifer Cho, Vance.

Nearest to pins Oliver Snape (5), Frank Young (7), Scott Calvert (13), Matt Harrison (17),

2's Jackpot Not struck

2's Graham Free 17, Jennifer Cho 5, Oliver Snape 5, Vance 5, Mike Arlidge 13, Matt Harrison 17.

WEDNESDAY GOLF

'The Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group' Wednesday Watering (\$10 / \$15 Entry) Tournament:

We have our middle month Wednesday 'The **Lone Star and Joes Garage Group**' (\$10 / \$15) **tournament** on Wednesday the **19th February**, where we will be playing for our usual meat prizes from our friends at '**New World Bishopdale**' and closest to pins purchased through '**Hancocks**'.

This Wednesday we headed to Templeton with a group of twelve players and a number within the group played well.

Members picking up prizes within the divisions were;

Division One:

2nd	Richard Kingsbury	40(C/B)
4th	Walter Scott	38

Division Two:

1st Terry Hampton

40

Division Three:

Nil

We are off to Ellesmere the following Wednesday the 26th. Those interested in a coffee before the tournament please meet at the Suburban Cafe in Leeston at 10.

We then have our main fundraising Wednesday 'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' (\$20 entry) tournament on Wednesday the **5th March** with the usual prizes provided by 'The Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' of three \$50 vouchers, meat prizes from our friends at '**New World Bishopdale**' and closest to pins purchased through '**Hancocks**'. Remember there are three divisions and seven prizes in each division. Last tournament there was 64 playing for twenty one prizes, so a one in three chance of winning. Come out and enjoy the course with a good chance of winning.

Remember to guarantee your tee time through the Pro-Shop.

Lastly can I thank **Walter Scott** and **Garry Puddy (Puds)** for covering for my absence as I was on holiday again. Thanks again guys.

Harv

THURSDAY GOLF

On a beautiful summer morning we had a great turnout of 22 starters for our Thursday Golf Competition. Today's competition was a par round off the yellow tees.

The course was in great condition and the greens running well.

The scoring was very good today with 8 players being square or better. The form golfer today was Paul Gnad who played excellent golf to finish 5 up. Paul had 2 birdies on holes 5 and 7 and finished up shooting 80.

A special mention also to Peter Baily who is continuing his recent good form and finishing 3 up. Peter is threatening to shoot his age and I am sure its going to happen soon.

The most honest golfer today was John Matthews (-12) and John said he will be back firing on all cylinders on Saturday.

There were four 2's today and these went to Paul Gnad on holes 5 & 7, Paul Snape on hole 7, and Lex Halford and Lyall Grant on hole 17.

Results

1 st	Paul Gnad	5 up
2 nd	Peter Bailey	3 up
3 rd	Peter Cottrell	2 up

4 th	Lex Halford	1 up
5 th	Doug Ames	1 up
6 th	Allan Harrison	square

Phil Olsen

TWILIGHT

A good turnout despite to cloudy skies

The course continues to look and play amazing, which means we continue to see good scores coming in.

Top scores tonight

Josh Miller	22pts
Mandy Walsh	21 (by lot)
Luke Thomas	21
Lindsay Smith	21
Brent Mackey	21

Twilight Golf - Members \$5.00 Visitors \$10

Coringa Burger & Fries \$15.00

Plenty of prizes and raffle opportunities if your golf is not great
Check facebook for updates

AND NOW....

A man and his girlfriend died in a car accident and meets Peter at the Pearly Gates

Peter says, Welcome to Heaven, do you have any questions?

To which the man replies, Yes, my girlfriend and I never had a chance to get married while we were alive. Can we get married in Heaven?

Peter says, That's a good question, I will be back when I have the answer.

Left at the gates, the couple begins to talk about love and how long eternity is.

6 weeks later, Peter returns and says, OK, I've found your answer. Yes, you can get married in Heaven. So come right in and enjoy eternity together.

The couple responds by saying, We have another question. Eternity is a very long time and we are not sure if our relationship will last. If things don't work out, can we get a divorce in Heaven?

To which Peter replies, Jesus Christ! It took me 6 weeks to find a priest up here, do you have any idea how long it'll take me to find a lawyer?

MEMBERS CORNER

Rules reminders

- This local rule was introduced in August 2024, but it seems many members have forgotten it.

All Unmowed / Uncontrolled Grass Area's shall be deemed a Red Penalty Area

If a player's ball is in uncut / uncontrolled grass anywhere on the course, including when it is known or virtually certain to be in

Uncut / uncontrolled grass even though not found, the player may take relief using one of the options under rule 17.1d. Each for one penalty stroke.

- Lost Ball or Out of bounds – stroke and distance relief.
Most of us know this rule, if we hit a ball out of bounds, we know we can go up to where the ball crossed the boundary, and play from the edge of the fairway, with a penalty of 2 shots. Where some mis-understanding is happening, is when I play a provisional ball, and I lose this ball as well, or it is in an unplayable lie, can I go back and take my 2 penalty shots from where my first ball went out of bounds.
The answer is NO!, once you elect to play a provisional ball, that is now the ball in play, so before you next reach for a provisional ball, choose your options wisely.

Tee shot, hit out of bounds	1 stroke
Provisional ball, hit out of bounds also	3 rd stroke
Playing stroke and distance penalty from the fairway	6 th stroke

Cochrane's Health Tips

Here is a helpful tip I heard on Saturday morning,

If you have a doctor's appointment for a blood test on Monday, it's not a good idea to spend your weekend at the Beer-Fest. You get a rather concerned phone call from your doctor, especially when you have already told the Dr you don't drink (much)
great advice Dennis.

Runaway Golf Cart



Haha, what idiot let their trundler run away.

Oh...This guy.....

Next committee meeting we are definitely banning cellphones and cameras from the course.



Wait, I can explain!

I had just finished up on the practice range and was making my way to the putting green when I remembered I had a couple of old balls in my bag, I fished them out of my bag, and decided I would go back and whack them onto the range, I play left-handed so I have my back to my bag while I'm hitting these balls, I hear a crash and a whole lot of fussing from the first tee, and I'm laughing to myself, knowing full well some idiot has just crashed their cart, It must be Frank or Dutchy, I know it's not me because my cart is rightthere..... uh oh. I walk over to the tee block, where a group are trying to tee off, despite all the chaos I have caused.

I can understand all the laughter and jokes at my expense, but when 5 people simultaneously call out, get the camera!!! - that's hurtful fellas.

What's even more hurtful, is they then send me the picture, so I must publish my own humiliation in the newsletter, cruel.

If anyone has any news, jokes or stories to share with the club please contact me

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