



# Coringa News



22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

Kia Ora,

## Saturday's Match

This Saturday's program includes;

- A Stroke round off the dual Black / Silver tees for men, Yellow tees for women.
- **Summer Ringers, Final Round**
- Vets Cup, 3<sup>rd</sup> Round
- Shootout.

## Raffle winners

Dave Harvey 15, Bev Gordon 19, Murray Angus 18, Kim Stevens 51, Bruce Fuller 25, Jit 43

The program until the end of March – 2024

<b>February</b>	24	Sat	Stroke – Black / Silver tees Vets Cup 3rd round <b>Summer Ringers – Final day.</b> Shootout
	25	Sun	INTERCLUB Presidents - home game vs Clearwater Metro A - home game vs Clearwater Metro B - away game vs Bottle Lake
	26	Mon	Ladies; Interclub - @Ellesmere Golf Club
	27	Tue	Ladies: Nett / Putting

			Twilight
	28	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	29	Thu	Ladies: Nett Men: Stableford – Yellow tees.
<b>March</b>	2	Sat	American Stableford – Blue tees Shootout
	4	Mon	Ladies Interclub; Waimairi Beach
	5	Tue	Ladies; Val Sutherland Twilight
	6	Wed	<b>Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT</b> - Stableford – White tees 10.30am start (\$20 entry fee.)
	7	Thu	Ladies; Betty McBirdie
	9	Sat	4BBB Nett – White Tees Shootout
	10	Sun	INTERCLUB; Presidents – away game vs Waitikiri
	12	Tue	Ladies; Best nett trophy Twilight
	13	Wed	Templeton Wednesday Tournament.
	14	Thu	Ladies; Stableford - Foursomes Rosebowl Men; Par – Yellow tees
	16	Sat	Stableford – Blue / Silver tees Shootout
	17	Sun	INTERCLUB Metro A – Final round played at Harewood – vs Bottle Lake Metro B – Final round played at Russley – vs McLeans Island
	18	Mon	Ladies Interclub – Rangiora Golf Club
	19	Tue	Ladies: Stableford - Foursomes Rosebowl Twilight
	20	Wed	Wednesday Tournament – Stableford – Silver tees 10.30am start – entry fee \$10 Members - \$15 Visitors.
	21	Thu	Ladies; L G U Men; Stableford – Yellow tees
	23	Sat	Par – Black / Silver tees Shootout
	25	Mon	Ladies Interclub - Kaiapoi
	26	Tue	Ladies Stableford <b>Twilight - Final Night</b>
	27	Wed	Ellesmere Wednesday Tournament
	28	Thu	Ladies: Stableford Trophy - LD Men; Irish Stableford – Yellow tees.
	30	Sat	Stroke – Blue / White tees Shootout

## **Jerry Kuipers**

On Saturday a sadness was felt throughout the course as word filtered through that one of Coringa's finest gentlemen had passed.

Jerry was such a genuinely good soul, with a quick wit, and a wonderful sense of humor,

Jerry has been a member for many years, and he was always featuring somewhere in the weekly newsletter, either winning prizes, or doing something else to get his name mentioned.

From getting attacked by the plovers on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole, or retro-fitting a heater into his golf cart, or getting his golf ball stuck halfway up a tree trunk and then attempting to play it. Jerry was always a prime target for an interesting story.

His old petrol-powered golf cart ("the pope mobile") and his kak-handed golf swing, were always recognizable features out on the course.

I am thankful for all the moments I have shared in the company of one of Coringa's most beloved personalities,

I will forever treasure those memories.

All our love and condolences go out to Mary and family at this sad time.

Vance Hetaraka



## CLUB NEWS

### **COURSE NEWS**

Green speed as of Wednesday is sitting at 9.5 feet. The greens are looking good, just a bit of heat stress over the last couple of days but nothing to be worried about. Friday afternoon there will be a lot of hand watering done plus some wetting agent go on the greens, if out playing, please give way to the staff.

For the rest of the course, it's been mow, mow, mow. We have once again tried to cut as much rough as possible along with everything else.

Rohan

PS Just a little FYI for those of you struggling with the pace of the greens – Rohan's keen to get them up to tournament pace (10.5 – 11.0 feet !!) in time for the Coringa Open in April. Something for us all to look forward to.....

### **TUESDAY CREW**

No work this Tuesday due to clash with Jerry Kiupers' funeral service.

However the team will be out tomorrow (Friday) to clear the mounds of stump grindings around the course (mainly the area to the right of the 10<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> fairways).

### **G.U.R UPDATES**

The Board, Rohan and Men and Woman's Club Captains all met on Monday and agreed on the following course changes;

- **Wasteland - between hole 14 and 15.**  
As of this week, this area is no longer G.U.R  
It will be re-zoned as a penalty area, as defined by the "Red Stakes"
- **Triangle area on the right of hole 16, between hole 12 and hole 10**  
From Saturday, this area is no longer GUR (after the stump grindings are removed on Friday)  
Please note, relief can still be granted under the Rules of golf "Abnormal Course Conditions" when your ball lies in such an abnormal position e.g. Green Keepers workings - tree stump grindings or tyre tracks from heavy machinery used to fell the trees. Just check with your playing partners before taking relief.
- **Wasteland - on the left of 12 Fairway**  
This area will be defined with Red Stakes to help speed up play from lost balls.

## **VETS CUP**

With 3 rounds left to play, this week will be your last chance to enter this competition. (if you haven't already)

Entry is free, and open to Men over 55yrs,

Played over 5 rounds the best 3-round aggregate score(nett) is counted towards your total.

## **FOLEY CUP – Finals Day**

### **Kyle Charlwood vs Greg Carr**

What a battle!!

With Kyle giving Greg 20 shots, the odds were slightly stacked against him,

Greg took the early lead going 2up through 7 holes, but Kyle, staying cool under the pressure fought his way back to be all-square at the turn.

For the back 9 it was Kyle's turn to take the early lead, going 2up after 14, and when it looked like he was on his way to collect the trophy, he whacks his drive out of bounds on the left of 15, with Greg getting 2 shots on the hole there wasn't much Kyle could do.

Greg, smelling blood in the water, goes on to win the 16<sup>th</sup> as well, bringing the match back to all-square.

Greg has a mini melt-down on 17, after a poor tee shot, he then dumps his second shot into the bunker, miraculously he leaves the 17<sup>th</sup> with a half,

Last Hole, and the match is all-square.

Greg gets a good drive away,

Kyle having played a different driver for every match, was supposed to have his new driver in the bag for today, but it never arrived in time, so on the Friday night he had to scramble to borrow one for the big final, over the last 9 holes he had hit a couple of bad hooks off the tee, losing one ball on the 12<sup>th</sup>, and the other going O.B. on 15.

Well, with one hole left to play, he was definitely staying well clear of the O.B on the left so what does he do? He pumps his drive hard right, straight into the forest heading towards the 17<sup>th</sup> tee block. (What happens next was the most unfortunate ending to any match I have witnessed, and it was a real shame this happened.)

As Kyle approached the location of his ball, deep in the trees, he already knew he was in a bit of trouble, but he wasn't going to give up without a fight.

He found his ball right where he expected it to be, but it was in a terrible spot lying right under a fallen tree, with little in the way of options, he punched the ball out a few meters, and as he was weighing up his next move, he noticed, the ball he had punched out, wasn't his!! Oh no!!

Unfortunately, in match-play the penalty for playing the wrong ball is "loss of hole" and in this case it cost Kyle the match.

This doesn't detract anything from Greg, who played the final hole well, it was always going to be a close finish even if that didn't happen.

Thank you to all competitors for making our first Trophy competition of the year an action-packed success.



Congratulations Greg Carr (left)

Foley Cup Champion 2024.

\$25 paid to club card for the winner

\$15 paid to club card for the runner-up

## INTERCLUB

### Metro B

Last Sunday the B's played Templeton at Templeton, we lost 6.5 to 1.5 with John Deacon winning and Albert Yee getting a half to give us something to smile about, the result looks large but nobody in the team gave up and challenged their opponents to make them play well for their wins so I'm stoked for the way everyone played and I hope everyone enjoyed the day, the result makes it hard to make the semis but we have a match against bottle lake this Sunday and a win or a half will help us achieve our goal,

A couple of stories for the day, their captain threw his club twice which I gave him grief for because it was pretty weak, I can throw my club soooo much further, and the other thing was Ram Thapa played and it was his 5th wedding anniversary, good on you Ram full commitment to the team that gets him player of the day, although it means he spends the week on the couch, he's in for next week as well, happy golfing, thanks

James Willetts

### **The Lone Star and Joes Garage Group Coringa Mens and Womens 18 hole Open.**

**Saturday 13th April 2024.**

It's with pleasure that I can announce that **'The Lone Star and Joes Garage Group', 'New World' Bishopdale, 'Peter Timbs' Bishopdale, and 'Coke / Powerade'** have agreed to be major sponsors of the Open.

I am also working with a number of other businesses in the hope of generating more corporate support.

If any members know of businesses or individuals who may be interested in sponsoring the tournament through vouchers, products, donations or prizes please either approach me or Vance in

March or email me with the details. ( [David.harvey@xtra.co.nz](mailto:David.harvey@xtra.co.nz) ). Over the last few years, I have received some very generous sponsorship from our members, and I would like to thank those individuals.

This year the entry fee will remain at \$30 for club members but will increase to \$50 for non-members.

Please remember the purpose of the tournament is twofold in that it raises funds for the operation of the club and secondly it demonstrates to participants the quality the course provides.

Get out there and organise your four.

Entries will only be accepted from the **1st March** through the Pro-Shop, or email the [office@coringagolfclub.co.nz](mailto:office@coringagolfclub.co.nz) or direct deposit of the match fees into the club account 03 0854 0006713 000 (Please ensure you add your name, Dotgolf number, number of persons you are paying for and Dotgolf numbers available,)

Harv

## **SUMMER RINGERS**

After Round 12 the penultimate round, held off the alternate Blue tees for the men and Yellow tees for the women, saw Peter Marsh (33.664) retain the lead over the field with a net score of 45.336, with Jesse Guise (17.260) who took the week off, continues to hold onto second spot on 47.740, with Peter Bailey (21.883) moving into third spot on 48.117 over Chris Choie (18.658) who holds down in fourth place on 48.342, with Trevor Lee (22.110) improving a spot into fifth spot, on 48.890.

The big improvers in the field this week were Phil Olsen (17.620) up 8 places to be lying in thirteenth on 51.380, with Kyle Charwood (11.942) improving 4 places to lie in sixteenth on 52.058 and Tim Donaldson (12.729) moving up 5 places to twenty-fifth.

With only 1 round to play to complete the Summer Ringers edition, the top 20 participants are within a net score margin of 6.986, a margin increase of 0.473 from the previous week. It's time to bring your A-game to the course and target the holes that you're likely to make an impression and improve your position on the divisional leaderboard.

This is the third and final week we see the participants divided into three groups, with the lowest handicappers in a smaller group. 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.

### **Group A**

Mal Ashton (8.564) has clung on to his lead with a small margin of 0.847 over Sam Turner (9.717) with a net score of 53.436. David Harvey (8.591) drops back a spot to third (after a drop of 0.249 in his average handicap index), a margin of 0.123 back on 54.283, with Isaac Preece (5.878) holding fourth spot on 55.122.

## **Group B**

Jesse Guise (17.260) continues his stranglehold lead on 47.470, with an impressive margin of 3.360 over Lex Halford (13.900) on 51.100, with an improving Robert Tibbotts (15.775) moving into third on 51.225 and followed by Clinton Chase (13.773) on 51.227.

## **Group C**

Peter Marsh (33.664) on 45.336 still holds a comfortable lead of 2.781 over an improving Peter Bailey (21.883), on 48.117, with Chris Choie (18.658) holding into third spot on 48.342. Trevor Lee (22.110) moves up into fourth on 48.890.

There were an additional 14 birdies or better recorded in this weeks round, bring the new total to 242. James Howard (-1.733) who again did not participate in this weeks round holds his lead in these statistics with an eagle and eleven birdies, Isaac Preece (5.863) holds second with two eagles and 8 birdies, followed by Drew Butcher (0.625) with an eagle and 9 birdies, followed by Mal Ashton (8.422) with 11 birdies, next is David Harvey (8.840) with 10 birdies.

The weather outlook for Saturday is looking great, hopefully the nor'westerlies don't get too gusty. With the fairways and greens being groomed to be at their best for the Coringa Open in April, the golf balls are running true and at good speed. Make the most of the ideal conditions and post a really good score.

[Click Here - to view latest ringers update](#)

Kevin King  
Ringers Convener

## **LADIES GOLF NEWS**

**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](mailto:leigh72mcewen@icloud.com) ph0274340872.

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 number.

Due to the large number of Tournaments coming in, I will only print in the newsletter the place and date. If you want any more information, 18-holers please email me at [jimmykatie57@gmail.com](mailto:jimmykatie57@gmail.com) and I will send you all the details. 9-holers, please contact Leigh.

**Greendale Golf Club, Women's & Men's 9 Hole Stableford Tournament Monday 11th March 2024.** ENTRY FEE \$25pp. Lunch Included.

**Everglades Country Golf Club 9 Hole Ladies, Men or Mixed Teams of 4 Stableford Tournament.** Thurs **14th March 2024.** \$20 entry fee. (Registered 9-hole players only)

**ELLESMERE 9 HOLE MIXED TOURNAMENT FRIDAY 22nd MARCH** ENTRY FEE: \$25

**BOTTLE LAKE GOLF CLUB MENS & WOMEN's 36 HOLE OPEN! Sunday 3rd March 2024 \$60**

**"Amberley WOMEN's TEAM STABLEFORD TOURNAMENT" THURSDAY 7th MARCH 2024** teams of 4 \$120

**Akaroa Open MEN & WOMENS 18 HOLE GOLF TOURNAMENT SUNDAY 3rd MARCH 2024 \$75 ENTRY.** BBQ & Drinks Available on course. Meal provided at prizegiving.

**SCARGILL WOMEN'S OPEN BEST NETT 18 HOLE TOURNAMENT WEDNESDAY MARCH 20 2024.**

**Entry \$30**

**LINCOLN GOLF CLUB LADY'S TEAMS TOURNAMENT 18 Hole competition Handicaps 0-40.4**

**THURSDAY, 21st March 2024.** \$80.00 a Team of Four,

**McLeans Island Women's Tournament, 2 Ball best ball, Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April.** \$50 per pair entry. Max handicap 40.

**Games played at Coringa: (Mixed 9-Holers)**

**Thursday:** Today we played 4 clubs and a putter. 1<sup>st</sup> equal was Janice McPhail and Anne Morgan, both with 17 Stablefords. Putting champion was Sandy with 16 Putts.

Next week will be playing Best Nett. Duty person is Anne Morgan

**Saturday.** The ladies played Stapleford's, with their scores going towards the Saturday Stapleford Trophy. 1<sup>st</sup> Tracey with 18 Stapleford's, Myra 15 Stapleford's, and Anne K. with 13 Stapleford's

If you want to play, please go onto Dot golf, and book a spot around 9am. As tee times a very sort after on a Saturday you really need to know as early as possible to be able to play. There is a small group of 18-hole ladies teeing off around 7.30 am. Please check on Dot Golf.

**Sunday.** 1<sup>st</sup> was Ellen with 17 Stapleford's, 2<sup>nd</sup> was Olivia with 16 Stapleford's. A slot has been booked for 10.00 this coming week.

**Tuesday.** Today the 9 Hole group played Stapleford's 1<sup>st</sup> Graeme McPhail with 18 Stablefords 2<sup>nd</sup> Janice McPhail with 16 Stablefords.

Next week we play Nett and Putting. Duty person is Janice McPhail

**Interclub:** This week the 9-hole ladies played Waimairi Beach (2) at Avondale WE won 46/61. Well done team!!!!

Anne Morgan Ladies Club Captain

## **MENS REPORT**

**This Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February** will be a Stroke round off the dual Black / Silver Tees for men, Yellow tees for women,

This will be the final week for Summer Ringers.

**Last Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February** was an Irish Stableford round off the Blue tees for men, and yellow tess for women.

We had 99 entries into the match of the day, which is fantastic.

I'm especially pleased with the level of entries considering this was a Blue tees only day.

I always expect a little bit of grief from some members, but this week I got a touch of sarcasm from my mate Kim Stevens. I laughed with Kim, and suggested we speak again after his round.

Judging by his name being in the prizes this week, Kim obviously likes the longer course, well you're in luck Kim, it's Black Tees this week!

We had a few visitors in the field, among them a couple of foreigners who are both escaping the northern hemisphere winter.

Welcome to Coringa Dylan Stock, and of course welcome home, Logan Marsh (Pete's son,) playing alongside a new member, (kidding) Aaron Jewell. Great to see you guys out there.

We also have a few new Saturday golfers playing which is fantastic to see,

Good to see Lindsay Thorne here on a Saturday, and nice to see Rik back as well, don't be a stranger Rik, if you don't like playing with Richard M, there's plenty of good guys to play with. (lol)

For all members new to Saturday golf, welcome, it can be a little frightening playing in the match of the day for the first time, but all our members are friendly and welcoming, and only too happy to see you out there joining in.

Here are the main results of the day,

**Division One**

Rouan Buitendag	75
Aaron Jewell	74
John Gaw	70
Nelson Gaw	70
Jason McCauley	69

**Division Two**

Angus Tucker	81
Johnny McKay	77
Benjamin Alexander	75
Murray Angus	73
Brian Docherty	72

**Division Three**

David Cross	78
Seamus O’Cromtha	76
Nigel Foster	74
Liam Longley	73
Duncan Shaw-Brown	70

**Division Four**

Eddie Kotze	83
Douglas Densem	81
Katherine Deacon	76
Kim Stevens	75
Paul Carpinter	73

Best Gross	Jacob Hodgson (76)
Nett Eagle Hole (10)	Paul Manson, Scott Calvert, Andy Trounson, Duncan Shaw Brown, Phil Olsen
Birdie Hole (8)	Grant Morris, Robert Tibbotts
Nearest to pins	Andy Trounson (5) Jacob Hodgson (7), Sean Carston (13) Angus Tucker (17)
2’s Jackpot	Not Struck
2’s	Walker Lin 7, Seok yong Park 17, Angus Tucker 7, Jonathan McKay 13, Tim Donaldson 13, Lindsay Smith 17, Walter Scott 17, Michael J Smith 17, Kevin Walker 17

**Pace of Play,**

The majority of the field is playing at a good speed with most groups keeping up to the group in front. However, there are still a couple of groups out there who are falling behind, which impacts *all* the groups behind them.

You know it is your group slowing down the field. If you are teeing off on a par 4, and there is nobody on the same hole in front of you, you are out of position.

**Please Refer to the Pace of Play notices at the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Tee’s**

## WEDNESDAY GOLF

### **'The Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group' Wednesday Watering (\$10) Tournament:**

We had our February Mid Monthly '**The Lone Star and Joes Garage Group**' Watering Tournament on Wednesday 21st where 24 turned up with usual meat prizes and raffles from our friends at '**New World Bishopdale**' and closest to pins by '**Hancocks**'. Remember this tournament has an entry fee \$15 visitors and \$10 for our members.

The course was looking fabulous with the fairways and greens in really good recovery condition. Once again thanks Rohan, Steve and Doug your doing a great job!

The tournaments highlight was Kerion Murtha just missing out on shooting is age by one. So close and a great effort Kerion, I'm sure you are not too far away from achieving the feat again.

Coringa Members within the one division were;

1st	Kerion Murtha	41
2rd	Mike J Smith	37
3rd	Lindsay Thorn	36(C/B)
4th	Malcolm Wratt	36(C/B)
5th	Derrick Xu	36
6th	Brian Docherty	35(C/B)
8th	Ian Donaldson	35(C/B)
9th	Kevin Walker	35(C/B)
10th	Richard Kingsbury	35(C/B)

Ellesmere this coming week so come out and meet for a coffee at 10!

We have our monthly '**Lone Star and Joes Garage Group**' tournament on Wednesday the **6th March** (Entry \$20 ) with our usual \$50 'Lone Star' and 'Joes Garage' vouchers and meat prizes and raffles from our friends at '**New World Bishopdale**' and closest to pins by '**Hancocks**'.

Come out and have a game. Remember to arrive around 10.30 and we'll organise you into a group.

Harv

## THURSDAY GOLF

We had 16 starters for todays golf tournament. We played a stableford round off the white tees.

Conditions were perfect, very warm and humid a good day to be out playing golf.

Today's winner was Paul Gnad who played very well with 42 points, in second place was Seamus O'Cromtha with 40 points, in 3rd place was Lloyd Bell with 36 points, and in 4th place Peter Bailey on 35 points.

Results

1 Paul Gnad 42 points

2 Seamus O'Cromtha 40 points

3 Lloyd Bell 36 points

4 Peter Bailey 35 points

## TWILIGHT

I missed twilight on Tuesday, so no write-up - Sorry.  
I did hear there were 50 entries which is fantastic.

I see the women had a good night, taking out 4 of the top 5 spots, with Joshua Todd being the only male winner, (sorry Olly – Just kidding)

1 Mandy Walsh	23	
2. Fay Beckingsale	22	
3. Bev Gordon	21	
4. Joshua Todd	21	
5 Olivia Snape	21	shot 37 off the stick – amazing Olly

Twilight Golf, Tuesday's 5.30pm  
\$5 Members, \$10 Visitors  
\$15 Burger Meal  
All Welcome

### **AND NOW....**

An old Doberman starts chasing rabbits and before long, discovers that he's lost.

Wandering about, he notices a young lion heading rapidly in his direction with the intention of having lunch. The old Doberman thinks, "Oh, oh! I'm in deep trouble now! Noticing some bones on the ground close by, he immediately settles down to chew on the bones with his back to the approaching cat. Just as the lion is about to leap, the old Doberman exclaims loudly, "Boy, that was one delicious lion! I wonder if there are any more around here".

Hearing this, the young lion halts his attack in mid-stride, a look of terror comes over him and he slinks away into the trees. "Whew!" says the lion, "That was close! That old Doberman nearly had me!

Meanwhile, a squirrel who had been watching the whole scene from a nearby tree, figures he can put this knowledge to good use and trade it for protection from the lion. So, off he goes. The squirrel soon catches up with the lion, spills the beans and strikes a deal for himself with the lion. The young lion is furious at being made a fool of and says, "Here, squirrel, hop on my back and see what's going to happen to that conniving canine!

Now, the old Doberman sees the lion coming with the squirrel on his back and thinks, "What am I going to do now?" but instead of running, the dog sits down with his back to his attackers, pretending he hasn't seen them yet. Just when they get close enough to hear, the old Doberman says, "Where's that squirrel? I sent him off an hour ago to bring me another lion!

## MEMBERS CORNER

I don't have much to report tonight, obviously this week has had a tinge of sadness with the loss of our good friend in Jerry. So I will close this edition, with a couple of pictures sent to me from John Matthews.



Here's Jerry sizing up his 2<sup>nd</sup> shot on the 10<sup>th</sup> hole

No, Jerry is not about to drive into the sign, lol.

Hole 16 is sponsored by Jerry's daughter and son-in-law who farm near Waimate



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

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