



Coringa News



22nd April 2021

Kia Ora

SATURDAY'S MATCH

This Saturday is a Stroke round off the Blue or White tees. It is a Stroke round as it is the final round of the Vets Cup. The Shootout applies for the day and there are several who have completed their 10 rounds and so can start dropping off their lowest scores. Check the web site for the details of where you stand.

The proposed programme until the end of May is:

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| April | 24 | Sat | Stroke – Blue / White tees Vets Cup 5th and final round Shootout |
| | 25 | Sun | Anzac Day – Course Open |
| | 27 | Tue | Ladies – Stableford Foursomes (Rose Bowl) |
| | 29 | Thur | Ladies – Stableford Foursomes (Rose Bowl) Men's Group – Team Stableford - White tees |
| | 30 | Friday | Willows Cricket Club tournament – Course closed from 12pm |
| May | 1 | Sat | Stroke – Black / White tees Shootout |
| | 3 | Mon | Ladies – Interclub Semi-final TBA |
| | 4 | Tue | Ladies – Val Sutherland |
| | 5 | Wed | Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees – 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.) |
| | 6 | Thu | Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men's Group – Stroke – Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees |
| | 8 | Sat | Stableford – Blue / White tees Shootout |
| | 10 | Mon | Ladies – Interclub Final TBA |

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| | 11 | Tue | Ladies – Best Nett Trophy / LD |
| | 12 | Wed | WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee. |
| | 13 | Thu | Ladies – Stableford Trophy Men’s Group – Stableford – White tees |
| | 15 | Sat | Russian Roulette –Blue / White tees. Shootout. |
| | 18 | Tue | Ladies - Stableford |
| | 19 | Wed | WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee. |
| | 20 | Thu | Ladies – Visitors Day 9-Hole Men’s Group – Par - Yellow tees |
| | 22 | Sat | Stoke – White tees. Qualifying Howarth Salvors (best 8 in 4 grades to qualify) Shootout |
| | 25 | Tue | Ladies - Stableford |
| | 26 | Wed | Ellesmere Watering Tournament |
| | 27 | Thu | Ladies - LGU Men’s Group – Stableford - Yellow tees. |
| | 29 | Sat | American Stableford – White tees 1st round Matchplay Howarth Salvors – (White tees on handicap). Shootout |

CONGRATULATIONS CORINGA’S WINNING METRO ‘B’ TEAM



Congratulations to the winning Metro B team that defeated Russley in the final at McLean's Island by 6 games to 2. This is the first interclub success for many years. A lot of the credit goes to the player / manager Scott Ward who has melded the team together over the long season and in the end after a close victory over the reigning champions, Bottle Lake, in the semi-final were comfortable winners of the final. Congratulations to all the players who fronted up for the Metro B team during the season.

CLUB NEWS

New Members

We welcome the following two new members this week:

Matthew Haywood

Juhee Moon

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.

The Good news and the Bad.....

The good news is that the roof repairs have been completed and the scaffolding is due to come down on Friday. All went well, in no small part to the excellent project management provided by Russell McGregor, ably supported by Paul Snape and Peter Marsh with unskilled labour coming from Malcolm Wratt and Dave Harvey. Well done to all of you.

More good news came Friday – the mowers have finally arrived and cleared customs!! Rohan is working with Powerturf as they apply the final touches before delivery to the Club. The first mower (the Greens mower) should be onsite next week and the Tees & Surrounds mower the week after. Keep an eye out for them around the course – great to finally have these on site.

And the Bad news..... just a week before the new mowers arrived, the Greens mower we have been using sprung a hydraulic leak which went unnoticed while a couple of greens were being mowed. The oil lines can be seen on some of the greens (#1, 8 and 10 in particular).

Unfortunately, this may kill or damage the grass on the greens. We will have to wait and see what happens – there's not much we can do about it (the new generation of mowers, including the ones we have bought, don't use any hydraulic oil for this very reason).

THE MEN'S REPORT

This Saturday, the 24th of April is a Stroke round off the Blue and White tees. The Stroke game was needed as it was the 5th and final round of the Vets Cup and the Vets Cup is only scored off a Stroke round.

Last Saturday was 'The Lone Star & Joes Garage Group and New World Bishopdale Co-sponsored Coringa Open, for the Women off the Yellow tees and Men off the Blue tees. It was a



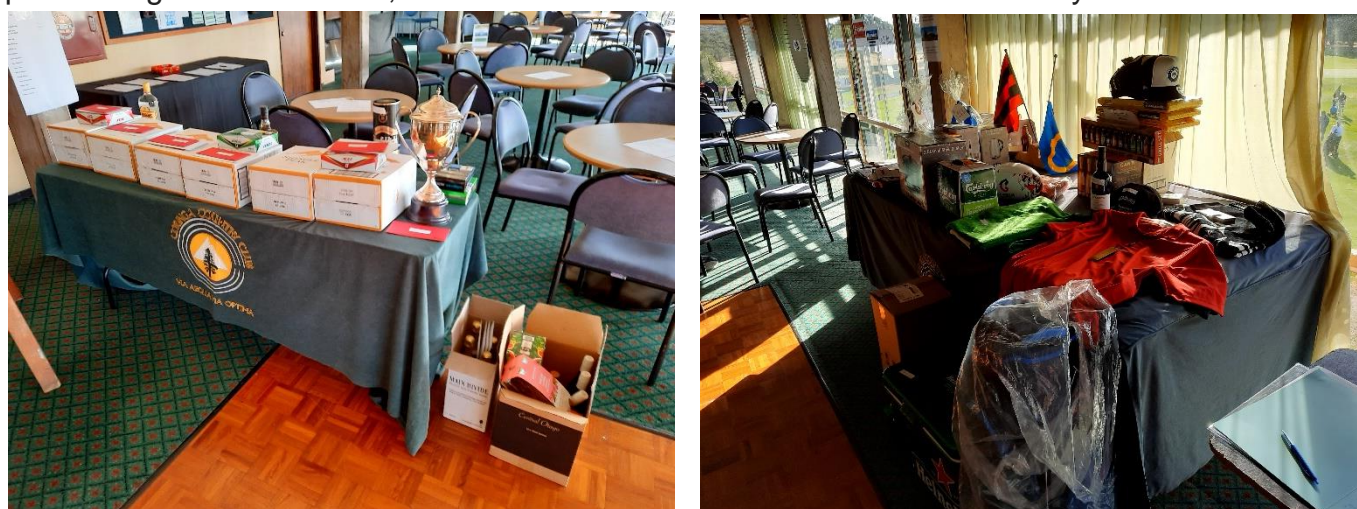
A Full Clubhouse

great success with 142 participants playing for a single \$200 Gross prize, and three divisions with each having a first prize of \$200 and nine other prizes. The weather at the start was a bit concerning, but the rain clesred 9.30 and we had a lovely autumnal day where it took 5 hours for everyone to complete their rounds, not bad considering the size of the field..

Placemakers, Christchurch Hub were the sponsors of closest to the pin (arranged by Charlie Longley). The prizes were two stand seats to the upcoming Crusaders and Blues game and a nice bottle of wine.

A big thank goes to Marc and Ash from **New World Bishopdale**, who supplied their shop manufacture d sausages for the duration of the tournament. These were well received by all! I would also like to thank Jess Heteraka for her roving hosting role. Jess was looking after the New World guys, but also took the opportunity to walk the course taking photographs, many of which you can see on the website.

There were many very generous corporate, golf club and club member sponsors. I would like to ask each member to spend some time and look at the list of sponsors in the stairwell. I will highlight some of the corporate sponsors and ask all members to either visit their premises, purchase goods from there, or utilise their services. A massive **thanks** everyone.



Prize Tables

Corporate Sponsors:
Lone Star/ Joes Garage Group

New World Bishopdale
Placemakers, Christchurch Hub
Ocean Gems
IGQ
LBJ
The Good Home, Wigram
Bishop Brothers, Bishopdale
Hancocks
Premium Liquor
Liquorland Bishopdale
Asahi Beverages
The Firewood Man

Lastly, I would like to thank the very generous prizes and sponsorship which I have been provided by many club members or arranged through friends or family. These donations were be used within the prize giving, raffles and spot prizes.

The full results are available on the Coringa website, but the summary is:

Division One

Contained 27 Coringa members out of 43, with the Gross prize going to ex-member Nick Franzmann on 73, from Dean Harvey (Avondale) on 74, and the first six stableford prizes went to Coringa members with James Willetts winning by lot from Spencer Wicks on 38 stablefords.

Division Two

Contained 31 Coringa members out of 47, with again six prizes going to Coringa members with Grant Morris winning by lot from Dominic Neill on 40 stablefords and fourth by lot was Oh Kim on 38 stablefords.

Division Three

Contained 31 Coringa members out of 47, with again six prizes going to Coringa members with Alan Smith winning on 41 stablefords, third was Gus Eathorne on 38, David Bruce 36, Alan Wicks 35 and Greg Carr 34 by lot.

With such a big field it was a challenge to maintain a consistent pace of play and Graham Norquay and John Brettell volunteered to marshal and did a tremendous job as I felt we flowed very well until we reached the Par 3's. Terry Hampton and Mike Smith managing the Hole in One hole, which was not struck. Thanks very much guys, and thanks to the Board for guaranteeing the \$1000 sponsorship if it had been struck.

To assist the New World guys and Terry and Mike to keep out of the weather, Richard Kingsbury and Phil Olsen have provided and put up tents or gazebos. Once again thanks guys. A terrific day and made possible by a terrific effort from so many people!

Congratulations to the Metro B Team:

I would like to add my congratulations to the Metro B team.

Well done Scott Ward and the players on winning the competition. A great result in a very difficult division! It was fabulous to see the team and supporters out at McLean's Island on Sunday, with all the players they have used through the season either out there playing or caddying for players.

Meat/ Wine/ Raffle Prizes:

There are a still number of prizes which have not been picked up for a while, so please check the board. Wipe your name off and get the prize from the freezer.

Uppcoming events:

22nd May Qualifying for Howarth Salvors Matchplay (best 8 in 4 grades to qualify)
29th May Howarth Salvors Matchplay begins

Closest to the Pin:

Previous week (17 April) Placemakers, Christchurch Hub.
This week (24 April) Keith Yardley
Following Week (1 May) Fresh Choice, Merivale Mall

We currently have sponsorship through to July 2021, but that time is rapidly approaching. We are always looking for more people of come forward.

If there is anyone who would like to sponsor the \$40 for the closest to the pin, could you approach and make payment to either JB, Puds or myself.

Membership Welfare:

If anyone knows of someone who is not well then please let me know and I'll do a visit.

Get out there on the course and enjoy yourselves!

David Harvey
Men's Captain

THE LADIES REPORT

Inter club

Coringa won their game last Monday when they played the Kaiapoi at Templeton. Well done to the team!!!!

This has meant that Coringa is still top of the table and will be playing in the semi-finals on Monday 10th of May. They will play Pegasus at Kaiapoi. Good luck ladies

Tournaments (9-hole)

Mayfield – 6th May

Rangiora 7th May.

Please contact Leigh McEwen ASAP if you are wanting to enter any of these.

leigh72mcewen@icloud.com or 0274340872

Saturday Golf

No golf last Saturday due to Coringa Open. Three of us did try to play at Bottle Lake but got soaked before even teeing off so called it a day very quickly.

Tee times for Saturday 24th 9.06 and 9.12am

Sunday Golf

On Sunday there were five players. First equal were Anne Keh and Anne Morgan with 18 Stablefords

The Sunday golfers tee off 10.30 -1045.

Tuesday Golf

Tuesday's game was Nett score. Seven players played. First was Myra Story with 37 on a countback from Janet Harland. Third was Janice McPhail with 39.

Longest drive was Janet Harland.

Four ladies played a semi-final of the Rose bowl

This was won by Padma de Silva and Anne Morgan

Thursday Golf

The game today was the least Putts.

Faye Beckinsale was first with 16 putts. Anne Morgan was second on count back with 18 putts with Elaine McGowan also 18 Putts.

Myra Story earned herself the 'Spoon of the Day' because, without thinking, she picked up the ball while in a bunker which eliminated her from the putting competition.

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

INTERCLUB

Metro B:

[see above]

Presidents:

Their pen-ultimate round robin match was v. Harewood at Harewood last Sunday. Unfortunately the team suffered a 2 – 6 loss which places them 4th on the table behind Templeton, McLean's island and Russley. They have the opportunity to redeem themselves as they play the leading team Templeton at Bottle Lake on the 9th of May in the final round. Best wishes for a strong finish to the season.

WEDNESDAY GOLF

Wednesday \$10 Tournament:

This Wednesday 21st April we will had 29 participating our mid-month \$10 tournament and paid prizes down to 33 points (on count back).

Notable Results:

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| 1 st | Lex Halford | 36 |
| 2 nd | Paul Snape | 35(C/B) |
| 3 rd | Ian Butcher | 34 (C/B) (The Professional, The Professional Overstayer or Alf from Alf Garnett's last and final week with us) |

Remember the starting time is 10.30 a.m. for our next '**Lone Star Group**' Wednesday Watering Tournament on Wednesday 5th of May where participants play for \$50 **Joe's Garage** and **Lone Star** vouchers and eight meat prizes from **New World Bishopdale**, plus a random draw for those in the bar.

THURSDAY MEN'S GROUP

We had another good field of 30 for a stableford match off the yellow tees on a glorious autumn morning. The course looked great, and scoring was good.

Full results are as follows:

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| 1 st | John McCabe | 40 |
| 2 nd | Ian Butcher | 39 (Miss you already!!!!) |
| 3 rd | Chris Cottrell | 38 |
| 4 th | Michael Healy | 38 |
| 5 th | Jerry Kuipers | 36 |
| 6 th | Peter Bailey | 36 |
| 7 th | Jimmy Anderson | 34 |

There were 2's for Paul Gnad, Chris Cottrell, Michael Healey and John Maasch. We had a show of hands and agreed to a later start at 10am when the frosts arrive and the greens are icy, probably the second or third week in May.

We said farewell to Ian Butcher otherwise known as the Overstayer. He has been a great supporter of the Thursday group since his arrival, and he goes with our very best wishes. David Harvey also said a few words and presented Ian with a Coringa jacket.

All in all a good day and we look forward to another good field next week. Good golfing.

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men

AND NOW

The Golfing Preacher

There was this preacher who was an avid golfer. Every chance he could get, he could be found on the golf course swinging away. It was an obsession.

One Sunday was a picture-perfect day for golfing. The sun was shining, no clouds in the sky, and the temperature was just right. The preacher was in a quandary as to what to do... play golf or give the Sunday service. Shortly, the urge to play golf overcame him. He called an assistant, told him he was sick and asked the assistant to take care of the Sunday church service for him.

He packed the car up and drove three hours to a golf course where no one would recognize him. Happily, he began to play the course.

An angel up above was watching the preacher and was quite perturbed.

He went to God and said, "Look at the preacher. He should be punished for what he is doing."

God nodded in agreement.

The preacher teed up on the first hole. He swung at the ball and hit a perfect drive, straight as an arrow, four-hundred yards right to the green, where it gently rolled into the cup (as they say in basketball, "nothing but net"). A picture-perfect hole-in-one. He was amazed and excited.

The angel was a little shocked. He turned to God and said, "Begging Your pardon, but I thought you were going to punish him."

God smiled. "I did. Think about it -- who can he tell?"

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

John Brettell