



Coringa News



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Kia Ora

SATURDAY'S MATCH

This weekend is Queen's Birthday weekend, and the course is open all weekend.

On Saturday, the match of the day is a Stroke (Net Medal) competition off the Blue or Silver tees.

It is also the first round of match play for the Howarth Salvagers which is a match play competition in four grades, played on handicap, For the match play your handicap is your current one as printed out on the cards. You may also play in the match of the day as long as you putt out every hole. The Shootout applies for everyone in the match of the day.

Last week's raffle winners:

Mel Newburn (32); Murita (25); Paul Snape (27); Clinton Chase (48); Andrew Wight (5).

The proposed programme until the end of July is:

June	5	Sat	Queen's Birthday Weekend Stroke – Blue or White/Silver tees Winter ringers – 1 st round.
	8	Tue	Ladies – Best Nett trophy / LD
	10	Thu	Ladies – Stableford Trophy Men's Group – Stableford – White or Silver tees
	12	Sat	4BBB Stableford – White/Silver tees Random Drawn fours after 10.30 am. Semi-finals Howarth Salvagers – (White/Silver tees on handicap). Shootout Winter ringers.
	13	Sun	Canterbury Golf Junior event – course booked between 11am to 1pm
	15	Tue	Ladies – Mid-Winter Lunch (possible help required)
	16	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White/Silver Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	17	Thu	Ladies - LGU Men's Group – Par - Yellow tees

	19	Sat	Stableford – Blue or Yellow tees Start of Rep Trial Process – Black tees. Shootout Finals Howarth Salvors – (White or Silver tees on handicap). Winter ringers.
	22	Tue	Ladies – Stableford / LD
	23	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	24	Thu	Ladies - Stableford Men's Group –Stableford - Yellow tees
	26	Sat	Irish Stableford – White or Silver tees. Rep Trial Process – Black tees. Shootout Winter ringers.
	29	Tues	Ladies - Stableford
	30	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White or Silver Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
July	1	Thur	Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men's Group – Stroke - Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees.
	3	Sat	Stableford – Blue or Yellow 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 or Silver tees.
	10	Sat	Stroke – White or Silver 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 – Blue tees. Rep Trial Process – Blue 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 or Silver Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	22	Thu	Ladies – Stableford / NTP Men's Group – Stableford - Yellow tees
	24	Sat	Irish Stableford – White or 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 or Silver tees Urlwin Rosebowls Qualifying (16 pairs to qualify). Shootout Winter Ringers – Final round

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.

BLANK CUP TEAM TRIALS

This year six Saturdays will be set aside for Interclub Blank Cup Trials during the period 19th June 2020 to 24th July 2021.

So for those interested in participating please provide email AND phone details to John Rademakers at john.rademakers@xtra.co.nz or 027 2237705.

Entry list updates will be circulated via the Coringa newsletter.

Rules and Conditions

1. The trial rounds will be played off a combination of Blue tees and Black Tees, a minimum of 5 scores over the 6-week period.
2. An 8-man team will be selected with 2 reserves.
Except for health ailments or injury all selected players (including reserves) are expected to be available for the Blank Cup competition during August / September and early October with Finals on 21st November. If you cannot commit to these dates then do not expect to be selected. Unavailability and unreliability means we constantly must draw 'fill in' players.
3. Triallists must have a fellow triallist scoring their card. If you are unable to lock in a fellow triallist contact the selector to approve a playing partner / scorer.
4. All Triallists must submit at least 5 scores.
5. Adjusted Gross scores on NZ Golf (ie Gross score, less ESC's) will be recorded. A running average score will be calculated each week to determine ranking. A weekly leader board will be circulated.
6. NO GIMMEE PUTTS! (Gimmee putts create bad habits!).
7. Those who choose to play 6 rounds will be averaged over 6 scores.
8. In the event of ties for the 8th spot an 18-hole match play playoff will determine the result.
9. Any player that starts a trial round and then walks off mid-round because they are playing poorly will get a score of 99 slapped on them!
10. If adverse weather results in cancelled play – selectors will endeavour to reset an extra trial day

Entrants thus far for Blank Cup Trials

James Howard, Rohan Ware, Paul Hansen, James Willets, Derrick Xu, Lin Wang, John Gaw, Richard Kingsbury, Spencer Wicks, Scott Calvert, Roy Wang, Vance Hetaraka.

Selection criteria - Players selected on Trial performance - First past the post with one Selector's choice (if required).

Cheers

John Rademakers

CLUB NEWS

New Members

We welcome the following three new members this week:

Lawrence Harvey

Mark Song

Greg Sweet

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.

Course Care

With the heavy rain over the last weekend the course is now showing some signs of winter. 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. If you can park up behind the green. 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!).

PS – big thank you to Rohan, Steve and Andrew – the course recovered quickly from the heavy rain earlier this week and was looking great in time for the Watering tournament on Wednesday. The new Yellow tee block is also coming along well and should be in play in the next month or so.

And speaking of the rain....

A couple of the local clubs (Horarata and Greendale) were especially hard hit by the heavy rain. We have reached out and offered our help as a Club, including the offer of free games for their members while their course is closed.

At the moment Greendale is still assessing what needs to be done in order to fix their course, but Horarata are holding working bees tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday from 10am to 2pm if you'd like to help out (they are promising you'll be well feed !!).

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

Silver Course

Last weekend saw the introduction of the new Silver course layout. The new layout seemed to work well with players enjoying the different angles / hole layouts on some of the holes.

There are a few teething issues which we need to work through such as;

- Clearer signage to the tee blocks especially for the Green Fee players
- More Tee markers (we don't have full sets of Blue / White / Silver and Yellow tee markers, which is one of the reasons we use combined sets of tee markers)
- Align the stroke holes to match actual scores (will do this once we have a few months of scores to look at)

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The first two points we are working on now and should have solutions in place in the next month or so, the last point we will do this once we have a few months of scores to look at.

Hopefully you enjoyed the new layout and we'll keep working on these 'wrinkles' to get them sorted soon.

THE MEN'S REPORT

This Saturday, the 5th of June, is Queen's Birthday weekend and the match of the day was programmed as a Stroke round off either the Black or Silver tee blocks. After the recent weather bomb, I have made the decision in conjunction with Rohan to change the Black tee option to the Blues tees. Therefore, the competition is a dual match off the Blue or Silver tee blocks.

The feedback I have received from those who played the Silver course (in the rain) was that it was a good challenge on the front nine and a bit of fun off the shorter tees on the back nine, which in reality is the shorter nine, but still challenging. Please remember we intend to re-rate the Silver course after a couple of months of use to make sure the current strokes are realistic. Can I remind people to check the tee colours as the white and silver look very similar?

The match committee is proposing to introduce a three tier Saturday competition entry fee. This is being considered after some recent feedback from members and I would be interested in any other comments. I need to work these tiers or categories through with Barry, but we hoping to implement it's introduction mid-June. The tiers are as follow;

\$5 - Entry in competition the match, the two's, Jackpot and Net Eagle hole.

\$7 - Entry in competition the match, the two's, Jackpot, Net Eagle and Birdie holes.

\$8 - Entry in competition the match, the two's, Jackpot, Net Eagle, and Birdie holes and a Gross competition. The Gross competition would be only for players playing off the longest course used on the day – if the is more than one. (Winner takes all).

Last Saturday, the 29th of May, match of the day was an American Stableford competition off the Silver tees with 49 entered. Seventeen of those people failed to return their cards as the weather in the afternoon deteriorated. It was unbelievable to see 32 completed their rounds and most of the Howarth Salvors matches were played. Some were very competitive with Spencer Wicks and Isaac Preese playing 22 holes, Wing Gin and Walter Scott and Chris Cottrell and Jerry Kuipers going down the 19th hole. I can't believe Jerry was out there in that weather. Can I just remind people involved in the match play competitions at Coringa, that if you are all square after 18 holes and need to play extra holes, you play the first and ninth holes until your match is completed.

The matches in the second round of the Howarth Salvors are:

Division One: Murray Angus v Grant Morris and Spencer Wicks v Albert Yee

Division Two: Wing Gin v David Henderson and Hugh Little v James Gu

Division Three: Chris Choie v Terry Hampton and Charlie Longley v Russell McGregor

Division Four: Olly Snape v Ethan Clark and Chris Cottrell v Phillippe Lyonnais

I have asked Barry to enter the semi-final round on dot golf from 10 am on 12th of June and good luck to those going forward.

There were some outstanding scores recorded considering the weather. I heard that Gordy McCoy had one of his best rounds, even though he lost a bit of focus with four or five to play. Gordy picked up the Jackpot with two's on number 3 and 13. Yes, Number 3 not the normal hole for a two. I understand he hit a good drive and then his second was online with the pin and rolled straight in. What a thrill and congratulations! Gordy won Division Two with a 54 from Charlie Longley on 52. In Division One Grant Morris scored 52 from a group on 51. The full results are available on the website.

Upcoming events:

12th June Howarth Salvors Matchplay continues

19th June Representative Team trials begin off Black and Blue tee

Closest to the Pin:

Previous week (29 may)

Geoff Miller

This week (5th June)

Rustaholics

Following Week (12th June)

Greg Carr (Fyffe on Riccarton)

We currently have sponsorship through to the end of August 2021 but are actively 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 JB, Puds or myself.

Membership Welfare:

Peter McKay

I called Peter and his recovery is going well having just been out for a walk with Johnny's dogs. According to Pete, Nurse Sharon's comments brought a smile to his wife's face, so please guys and girls take the advice and if you have pains in your chest, get the pain checked out! More particularly guys 'don't bury your heads' and do nothing!

I was out painting on Tuesday and was told by Rohan that the course had 150 mm of rain. Then I played on Wednesday and experienced a course that looked beautiful and dry with only a wee bit of water in two bunkers. How lucky we are! Over the coming week or long weekend get out onto the course and enjoy the golf or the company Coringa offers you!

David Harvey
Men's Captain

LADIES REPORT

What a wet week we have had with only golf on Thursday. The Saturday ladies were all lined up ready to go, but the rain beat us to it. However, for all that rain, the course is still in pretty good condition.

The painting around the club house is progressing and looks fabulous. The men have done a great job on it.

Unfortunately, the 'She loves Golf' event was cancelled due to the weather. It has been rescheduled for the 11th of July. If you are able to help out, can you please let Sandy know
Tee times for Saturday 5th June is 1.18pm & 1.30pm

Thursday – Betty McBirdie was played for. There were 11 players

The winner was Sandy McDermott with 19 Stablefords, Second, on count back Myra Story with 17 Stablefords and third Fay Beckinsale with 17 Stablefords.

There were 3 pa's – Faye, Myra and Sandy

Bunker play was not too bad today. Both Janet and Ellen were pleased to get out with one hit instead of digging their way out

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

Anne Morgan

Metro B Interclub.

The Champion of Champions match for the Toby Richards Cup v the winner of the North Canterbury Pattersons Cup is on 27th June at Avondale.

In order for Scott to select a team would all interested people put their name on the sheet in the pro shop.

WEDNESDAY GOLF

'Lone Star Group' \$15 Wednesday Watering Tournament:

On Wednesday the 2nd of June, we have our \$15 tournament beginning at 10.30 am through to 11.30 am off tees 1 and 10. We had 104 participants playing for twelve prizes in two divisions including \$50 'Lone Star and Joes Garage' vouchers and eight meat prizes from our friends at New World Supermarket Bishopdale. The purpose of the tournament is about getting people into the clubrooms and we had another full clubrooms, so it seemed to work. Come on Coringa members book it in and come out for the first Wednesday in July next month. Three quarters of the players yesterday were visitors, who seemed to appreciate the excellent condition of the course.

Notable Coringa Results in the two divisions included:

Division One [less than 15.1]

1 st	Dave Stead	40
3 rd	Walter Scott	38 (C/B)
4 th	David Harvey	38
7 th	Kevin Walker	36(C/B)
11 th	Geoff Miller	34 (C/B)

Random Draw: 27th Scott Ritchie (with 31 stabs)

Division 2 [more than 15.2]

1 st	Helen Pan	36(C/B)
3 rd	John McCabe	35(C/B)

Random Draw: 27th Tim Macklin (with 29 stabs)

The full results are available on the website.

It was great opportunity for me to host Gary May (Management) from New World Bishopdale and asked Gary present the first and second prizes with in each division. Gary was very complimentary of the condition of the course and particularly impressed with the greens. Great to have you out there Gary and shame you lost the beer!

THURSDAY MEN'S GROUP

Another lovely frosty morning and an excellent field of 30 for a stroke round off the yellow tees for the Jerry Attick Trophy. I don't know if it was the heavy ground or what, but the scoring would suggest that the days of the alleged Thursday burglars have well and truly gone.

The full results were as follows:

1 st	David Stead	72	
			(Looking appropriately geriatric I thought !!)
2 nd	Chris Cottrell	73	
3 rd	Seamus O'Cromtha	74	
4 th	Hugh Little	74	
5 th	Spencer Wicks	75	
6 th	John Brettell	76	(Couldn't believe it)



*Jerry Kuipers drive on #10!!
[Spot the Ball]*



Dave Stead with the Jerry Attick Trophy

There were no 2's recorded, so a good day for the finances.

It was a pleasure to welcome a new member in Lindsay Thorn and he assures me he will be back despite playing with me today. Looking forward to more fine weather next week and in the meantime good golfing.

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men.

Geoff Bassett Trophy Progress

There has been a change in the lead since the last month. The inability of Wing Gin to play more than 3 times a week has clearly affected his scoring. Reigning club masters champ Jimmy Anderson heads a group of 4 who have overtaken Wing. Included in this group is our organiser and leader who seems to have developed a happy knack of scoring consistently despite his best efforts to inform all on the course that his head is not down and he is not hitting the ball well at all.

29 players have now completed the 10 rounds to count reflecting the strong numbers playing on Thursdays. The older gents are keeping a watchful on the youngster Spencer Wicks who despite some stellar rounds has not yet proved to be the threat people thought. An even younger Oliver Snape featured in the prize list on his first appearance last week.

Full results attached.

Keith Yardley

AND NOW

The Tunnel

Sitting together on a train travelling through the Swiss Alps, were a Kiwi guy, an Australian bloke, a little old Greek lady, and a young blonde Swiss girl with large breasts.

The train goes into a dark tunnel and a few seconds later there is the sound of a loud slap.

When the train emerges from the tunnel, the Aussie has a bright red hand print on his cheek.

No one speaks.

The old lady thinks: The Aussie guy must have groped the blonde in the dark, and she slapped his cheek.

The blonde Swiss girl thinks: That Aussie guy must have tried to grope me in the dark, but missed and fondled the old lady and she slapped his cheek.

The Aussie thinks: The Kiwi bloke must have groped the blonde in the dark. She tried to slap him but missed and got me instead.

The Kiwi thinks: I can't wait for another tunnel, just so I can smack that Aussie again.

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

John Brettell