



# Coringa News



14<sup>th</sup> October 2021

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## SATURDAY'S MATCH

Saturday is Finals Day for the Club Championships. The 36-hole finals begin from 7:30 am with the Junior B match leading the way, the Ladies match at 10:30am, followed by the Masters Final, and the second rounds beginning from 12:30 pm although they may go earlier if they are ready.

The match of the day is an American Stableford match - Drawn Fours Shotgun start at 9:30 am. Cards need to be printed by 9:00 am and the draw will be announced shortly after. If you wish to play, make sure you are there by 9:00 am so you don't miss a place in the field.

***For American Stableford - Irrespective of the hole you start at: for holes 1 to 6 record your stableford points on those holes; for holes 7 to 12 you record double the stableford points scored on those holes; for holes 13 to 18 you record treble the stableford points scored on those holes.***

We are nearing the completion of the Shootout season with only **five** more Saturdays to try and improve your score to make it to the top thirteen who qualify for the final on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November.

### Last week's raffle winners:

Nick Frampton (16); Vance Hetaraka (12); Robbie Chisholm (13); Geoff Miller (39); Andrew Wight (17); Tom White (22).

The revised programme until the end of November is:

<b>October</b>	16	Sat	Stroke – <b>FINALS DAY</b> [36 / 18 holes for finalists – begin at 7:30am] Nonparticipants a shotgun start Match of the day American Stableford – White tees. Drawn fours tee off at 9:30am – cards to be printed by 9:00am. Shootout for non-finalists.
	18	Mon	Ladies – Coringa Tournament 9-Holes (Help will be required for the tournament)
	19	Tue	Ladies - Stableford Twilight
	20	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	21	Thu	Ladies – Final Championship

			Men's Group – Par - Yellow tees
	23	Sat	Stroke – Blue / Silver tees Shootout
	26	Tue	Ladies – Best Nett Trophy / NTP Twilight
	27	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	28	Thur	Ladies - LGU Men's Group – Stableford - Yellow tees
	30	Sat	Russian Roulette – Blue tees Semi-finals of Urlwin Rosebowl competition Shootout
<b>November</b>	2	Tue	Ladies – Val Sutherland Twilight
	3	Wed	<b>Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT</b> – Stableford – White Tees. 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.)
	4	Thu	Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men's Group – Stroke - Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees.
	6	Sat	Stableford – Black/ Blue tees <b>KORNZ Cup:</b> Alfa Group v Afternoon Mens from 11.30 a.m. Final of Urlwin Rose bowls (White tees) Shootout
	8	Mon	Ladies – Interclub entry to Canterbury
	9	Tue	Ladies - Stableford Twilight
	10	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Yellow Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	11	Thu	Ladies - Stableford Men's Group – Stableford - White tees
	12	Fri	<b>Show Day</b> Course Open Ladies – Championship entry to Canterbury
	13	Sat	Stroke – White tees Shootout – Final day
	16	Tue	Ladies – Best Nett Twilight
	17	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	18	Thu	Ladies - Stableford Men's Group – Par - Yellow tees
	20	Sat	Par – Blue tees Shootout Final @ 1:30pm.
	21	Sun	Foodstuffs tournament – Course closed
	22	Mon	CANTERBURY VETS GOLF – Stroke – Course closed until 2:00pm.
	23	Tue	Ladies – Closing Day [AGM and Lunch]
	24	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	25	Thu	Ladies Men's Group – Stableford - Yellow tees
	27	Sat	<b>AGM &amp; Christmas Hamper Day</b> <b>Mixed Team Stableford Competition – White / Yellow Tees</b> <b>[Multi tee start at 10 am]</b>

## **Greenskeeper's Report (Wednesday morning)**

It's has been a hell of a week with the weather that we have had. As of 7am Wednesday morning, the course has received 22mm of rain and it's still raining heavily out here. A course drive was completed Wednesday morning to see if we had any damage on the course after the heavy winds of Tuesday night. The black poplar on 11 - left hand side of the fairway - has received a lot of damage. The course staff might not get to this by the weekend, so be prepared that it could be roped off and marked as GUR.

Rough, the boys were trying to mow fence to fence but then the weather bomb hit. This means no rough has been cut Wednesday and the course will only get a 90% cut this week. The boys will have the rough mower out Thursday and Friday and it will be going non-stop to get as much rough cut as possible. We will be concentrating on holes 1,9,10,12,16,17 and 18 this is where the heavy growth is.

Tuesday was a great day for fertilising. The greens and surrounds were fertilised and the tees are on the plan for next week, following the fairways towards the end of the month/early November depending on growth.

Finally Pin Position's.....There's been some great banter around the club in the last week or so especially from the club captain. So I thought I might let you into a little secret of mine. Back in my younger days, I might of set up some pins for a draw/hook but every time I did that I always played bad golf so now I just cut pins for the greater good. A lot of you will know my old boss, The Super (Ian) I'd never forget his saying about pins "are there on the green? Well you're lucky"

Going forward, after this weekend Dave I'd like to relinquished my hole cutting duties on a Friday and hand them on to Andrew (the apprentice) - good luck.

## **Sunday golf**

Barry was reporting that its getting busier and busier on Sundays now. He's advising members if they want to play on Sunday they really should think about booking – he does his best to fit any member on the course who just turns up but its getting harder to do this each week.

We've also agreed with Murita that she should open the Café/Bar on Sunday's now with the extra numbers (11am to 4pm). So that's Sunday sorted - book your golf, play your round and then stop in for a drink and some food afterwards – done!!

## **INTERCLUB**

### Blank Cup

Last Sunday, the team had a 4 – 4 draw in the morning against Avondale with James Howard, Chris Kay, Lin Wang and Mark Song winning their matches. In the afternoon the team suffered a 5 - 3 loss to Waimairi Beach, with John Gaw, Lin Wang and manager Scott Calvert winning for Coringa. The pen-ultimate round is at Clearwater this Sunday, the 17<sup>th</sup> of October, tee off time 8;00 am.

### Presidents

The team suffered a 2 – 6 loss to Waimairi Beach where the home advantage was too great for the team to overcome. The next round is on Sunday, the 31<sup>st</sup> of October, against Avondale at Coringa.

## CLUB NEWS

### New Members

We welcome the following four new members this week:

Joseph Ch

Sean Emms

Jason O'Connor

Alex Shortus

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.

### MEN'S REPORT

#### Club Champs Week:

The finalists have been found in all our six divisions and match play begins from 7.30 a.m Saturday morning, in the hope we can complete the 36 holes matches and have people out on the course supporting the players. Good luck to all the finalists and remember the competitions are being playing under COVID-19 Delta Level 2 protocols!

This means:

- Covid tracing app – in the pro shop and upstairs;
- Masks to be worn;
- Limited numbers are allowed in the pro shop at any one time;
- Social distancing – on and off the course;
- Flagsticks are not to be held or removed (penalty is loss of hole in match play);
- Bunkers can be smoothed or raked, players choice.
- May place in a bunker (one club length, in the bunker – not nearer the hole).

#### Senior:

John Rademakers v Spencer Wicks;

*What a great match and Spencer was one up, on the green of number 18<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately, his three-foot putt lipped out and off they went to finally finish the game on the 20<sup>th</sup> with a victory to John. Dutchy told me Spencer had played so well with twelve one putts, a chip in, and only four two putts in the first 17 holes. So well played guys.*

Rohan Ware v Scott Ritchie.

*Another great match with Rohan winning one up, but neither holding more than a one hole advantage over the other at any time. Both finished 3 over the card!*

**Final: John Rademakers v Rohan Ware** (Heard the pins will all be in the hardest positions on the left-hand side of greens!)

#### Intermediate:

Dennis Cochrane v Albert Yee;

*Dennis and Albert had another competitive game with Albert winning 2 up.*

Geoff Miller v James Willetts;

*Now there was a bit of controversy about this match according to James. The match was locked up and then the talk turned to benefits of Canterbury Cricket and as James put it suddenly, I realised I'd been talking too much and was three down. Yes, that nice Geoff Miller personality took your mind away from the golf and found that extra gear at the same time. I've experienced it James and you just can't get back into your groove or match Geoff's game! Geoff won 2 and 1!*

**Final: Albert Yee v Geoff Miller** (Mister nice against Mister nice, so who is going to find the killer instinct!)

#### Junior A:

Chris Choie v Charlie Longley;

*Chris had a great 4 and 3 win over Charlie.*

Jason Wu v Garry Puddy;

*Puds also have a great 4 and 3 win over Jason. He did mention at prize giving that I had no faith in his golfing abilities getting him through, which I replied "Only trying to motivate you mate!"*

**Final: Chris Choie v Garry Puddy** (Dog lovers but what 18 holes will Chris have Beer out there to support him. The choice could affect the match!)

#### Junior B:

Hugh Little v John Rowley;

*Hugh had the most comprehensive win of the day with a 9 and 7 win over John.*

Harry Lim v Peter Bailey;

*Peter and Harry had another competitive match with Peter finishing 2 and 1.*

**Final: Hugh Little v Peter Bailey** (Fitness could be the issue here for our senior statesmen!)

Masters:

Andrew Wight v Tom White;

*Yet another very competitive game with Andrew finishing 1 up.*

John Brettell v Greg Carr;

*Unfortunately, John has injured his right shoulder and had to withdraw.*

**Final: Andrew Wight v Greg Carr** (Heard there was already some debate about how many shots

Andrew would need to be giving!)

Women:

**Courtney Wilson v Carly Shaw**

Rules / Match play Issues:

If there are any rules or match play issues Vance Heteraka and John Brettell will be available as referees to settle any issues. JB will be in a cart and roving the course from after the shotgun start around 9.30. If there are any issues before Vance can be contacted through the Shop.

Good luck to all!

Match of the Day:

For the rest of the field, there is an American Stableford – Drawn Fours shotgun competition and a chance to play with someone different. Tee off time 9:30 am. Please arrive at 9:00 am, print your cards and pay the normal \$7 or \$8 entry. Vance, Chris, James and JB will manage the match and the prize giving afterwards, as I am down in Central Otago.

Remember to keep your own cards, but make sure you record your name on the list in the pro shop so you can go into the start draw. Once you have finished your game, please take some time and support those playing in the club championship finals!

Remember for those of you who have not used your Saturday 25th September match fees, Barry has a printout of the fees paid and he will manage the use of the fees, as the members desire.

Last Saturday, the 9<sup>th</sup> of October, was a Stableford competition and it was great to see 73 members were out there playing within three divisions. Twenty-eight individuals entered the gross prize competition, which was won by Spencer Wicks with 78. A score like that does give everyone a chance

The notable scores in Division One went to Duncan Shaw-Brown on 37, while in Division Two had Alan Wicks on 38 and Division three Greg Carr also on 38. Allan McLelland picked up the Birdie hole number 13 so a very nice \$90. The Nett Eagle hole number 18 went to Jamie Pow and \$29. The jackpot now sits at \$353 and just a wee reminder that the individual maximum pay-out is \$100.

The achievement of the day went to Lex Halford who had a hole-in-one on hole #7. Not his first and probably not his last!

The full results are available on the website.

#### Meat/ Closest to Pin Wine/ Raffle Prizes:

Thanks to those members who picked up the prizes!

#### Upcoming events:

Urlwin Rosebowl. Semi-finals – 30<sup>th</sup>  
October and Final 6<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Hancock's Closest to the Pin:

Previous week (9 October)	Bill Hallett
This week (16 October)	Gus Eathorne
Following Week (23 October)	Harry Lim

#### Congratulations:

Congratulations must go to Mel Newburn one of our Saturday golfers after she was recently presented with the 'Merle Barley Salver' for being the only unbeaten player in this year's Pollock Cup. Mel is playing for Christchurch, and they are the top qualifiers after four unbeaten rounds. Mel won her four matches: 4/2; 5/4; 4/3; & 5/3. A fantastic effort!

The final is being played at Harewood on Sunday, the 7<sup>th</sup> of November, against Clearwater. We all wish Mel and her team the best of luck in the final and hope her winning ways continue. If any member has time, then please get out and support Mel even though she will be wearing a red shirt, she's got a green skin underneath!

#### Comment:

The previous week I commented on the pace of the greens and the challenging pin positions. Well, on Saturday I couldn't believe it but I birdied One and Two. Not bad I thought, but then that old Coringa saying of "You never birdie number One" came to my mind. Yes, I was hopeless after that point and proved to myself that 'I am the worst putter in the world!' Haha!! I've said it again! The best part of the day was seeing Ross McAskill, Walter Scott and Kevin Walker smiling in agreement with me. That's golf! Positive reinforcement! Perhaps I need to get Spencer on board as my coach!

David Harvey  
Men's Captain

### **LADIES REPORT**

#### 9-Hole Club Champs

Games are well under way. Remember the finals are on the 21<sup>st</sup> of October so we need to have games completed by then.

#### Our Tournament next Monday

If you are not playing but have some time to spare, I am sure help will be needed. Contact Sandy for more information

#### Tournaments

Please contact Leigh on 0274340872 if you want to play in any of the following

- Methven 22<sup>nd</sup> October 10.30 start - \$20
- 6<sup>th</sup> Dec. Canterbury Christmas 9-hole Tournament to be played at McClean's
- There is also the Club Christmas Hamper Day on Nov 27<sup>th</sup>. This is a fun event with lots of prizes





## Saturday

Nine played, this included 1x 18holer Carley, who was playing with her husband. They joined the 9-hole group for the first 9 holes. It was lovely to get to know them.

Myra and Anne K played their club champ game. Anne was the winner, but it was down to the wire.

Six others played for Stablefords. 1<sup>st</sup> Fay with 29 Stablefords. 2<sup>nd</sup> equal Ellen and Anne M with 18 Stablefords

Next Saturday, five are playing 18 holes with the men so no 9-hole time has been booked

## Sunday

There were 75 players and a lovely day. 1<sup>st</sup> was Joy with 21 Stablefords, 2<sup>nd</sup> Anne K with 20 Stablefords

## Tuesday

The weather was not too flash – no one played

## Thursday

Ten players played for the Stableford Trophy

1<sup>st</sup> Judith with 18 Stablefords, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jay also with 18 Stablefords and 3<sup>rd</sup>, Myra with 16 Stablefords  
Anne Morgan

## **WEDNESDAY GOLF**

### **\$10 Watering Tournament:**

On Wednesday, the 20<sup>th</sup> of October, we have our next \$10 tournament with all the meat prizes from our friends at **New World Supermarket Bishopdale** and wine from **Hancock's Wine, Spirit & Beer Merchants**. John Matthews is managing the tournament as I am still away. Thanks JM!

Remember the tournament starts at 10.30 and is starting to attract good numbers, so make some time and enjoy the course, company and the chance of a prize or raffle prize. I will be away but I will organise someone to manage!

## **THURSDAY MEN'S GROUP**

A good field of 24 on a cool morning with a dodgy forecast which proved incorrect.

We had a stableford match off the white tees and finished in bright sunshine with full results as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Duncan Shaw-Brown	38
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Keith Yardley	37
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bill West	36
4 <sup>th</sup>	Seamus O'Cromtha	36
5 <sup>th</sup>	Doug Ames	35 (Ancient Relic strikes again!!!!!!)
6 <sup>th</sup>	Allan Harrison	35

There were no 2's recorded, and we would have had nearest the pin but someone forgot to put the markers out – terrible thing old age. Until next week good golfing.

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men

# 2021/2022 Twilight Golf Season

## Tuesday Evenings.

5.30pm Shotgun or tee off before  
6.00pm

Members \$5.00

Guests \$10

Burger & Chips \$10



Make a group or bring a friend. Everyone welcome!!

### **AND NOW**

#### Bran Muffins

The couple was 85 years old, and had been married for sixty years. Though not young, they were both in very good health, largely due to the wife's insistence on healthy foods and exercise for the last decade.

One day, their good health didn't help when they went on a rare vacation and their plane crashed, sending them off to Heaven.

They reached the pearly gates, and St. Peter escorted them inside. He took them to a beautiful mansion, furnished in gold and fine silks, with a fully stocked kitchen and a waterfall in the master bath. They gasped in astonishment when he said, 'Welcome to Heaven. This will be your home now.'

The old man asked Peter how much all this was going to cost. 'Why, nothing,' Peter replied, 'remember, this is your reward in Heaven.'

The old man looked out the window and right there he saw a championship golf course, finer and more beautiful than any ever built on Earth. 'What are the greens fees?' grumbled the old man. 'This is heaven,' St. Peter replied. 'You can play for free, every day.'

Next, they went to the clubhouse and saw the lavish buffet lunch, with every imaginable cuisine laid out before them, from seafood to steaks to exotic deserts, free flowing beverages.

'Don't even ask,' said St. Peter to the man, 'this is Heaven, it is all free for you to enjoy.'

The old man looked around and glanced nervously at his wife.

'Well, where are the low fat and low cholesterol foods, and the decaffeinated tea?,' he asked..

'That's the best part,' St. Peter replied, 'you can eat and drink as much as you like of whatever you like, and you will never get fat or sick. This is Heaven!'

The old man pushed, 'No gym to work out at?'

'Not unless you want to,' was the answer.

'No testing my sugar or blood pressure or...'

'Never again. All you do here is enjoy yourself.'



The old man glared at his wife and said,  
'You and your bran muffins. We could have been here ten years ago!'

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