



Coringa News



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SATURDAY'S MATCH

This Saturday is an Irish Stableford competition off the Blue or Silver tees. The Blank Cup Trial's last round is off the Blue tees. It is the penultimate round of the Winter Ringers competition, (see below for Kevin's report). There is also a weekly update of the Ringers and the Shootout scoring on the website.

Last week's raffle winners:

John McCabe (28); Kim Stevens (43); Mel Newburn (32); Charlie Longley (51); Phil Olsen (42).

The proposed programme until the end of September is:

July	24	Sat	Irish Stableford – Blue 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/Silver tees Urlwin Rosebowls Qualifying (16 pairs to qualify). Shootout Winter Ringers – Final round
August	3	Tue	Ladies – Val Sutherland
	4	Wed	Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees. 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.)
	5	Thu	Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men's Group – Stroke - Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees.
	7	Sat	Par – Blue or Silver / White tees

			Urlwin Rosebowl – 1 st round Matchplay – on handicap (White tees – <i>lowest handicapper goes back to zero and others adjusted accordingly</i>).
	9	Mon	CANTERBURY VETS GOLF - Stableford – Course closed until 2:00 pm.
	10	Tue	Ladies – Best Nett Trophy
	12	Thu	Ladies – Stableford Trophy Men’s Group – Stableford = Silver / White tees
	14	Sat	Stableford – Irons & Hybrid – Yellow tees Urlwin Rosebowl 2 nd round Matchplay Shootout
	17	Tue	Ladies – Stableford / NTP
	18	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver / White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	19	Thu	Ladies - LGU Men’s Group – Par - Yellow tees
	21	Sat	American Stableford – Silver / White tees Urlwin Rosebowl –Semi-finals (Silver / White tees) Shootout
	24	Tue	Ladies – Nett / Putting
	25	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	26	Thu	Ladies – Match play Men’s Group – Stableford - Yellow tees
	28	Sat	Stroke – Blue or Silver / White tees Urlwin Rosebowl Final Shootout
	31	Tue	Ladies – 4 Clubs + Putter
September	1	Wed	Ladies – Championships Starts Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees. – 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.)
	2	Thu	Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men’s Group – Stroke - Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees
	4	Sat	Stroke – FIRST QUALFYING ROUND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Black / Blue / White tees Match of the Day – Stroke off 3 tees Shootout
	7	Tue	Ladies – Val Sutherland
	9	Thu	Ladies – Stableford Trophy Men’s Group – Stableford - White tees.
	11	Sat	Stroke – SECOND QUALFYING ROUND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Black / Blue / White tees Match of the Day – Stroke off 3 tees Shootout
	14	Tue	Ladies - Best Nett Trophy
	15	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	16	Thu	Ladies - LGU

			Men's Group –Par - Yellow tees.
	18	Sat	Stroke – FIRST MATCH PLAY ROUND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Black / Blue / White tees Match of the Day – Irish Stableford - White tees Shootout [for non-championship players]
	21	Tue	Ladies - Stableford
	22	Wed	WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees – 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	23	Thu	Ladies - Stableford Men's Group – Stableford - Yellow tees
	25	Sat	Stroke – SECOND MATCH PLAY ROUND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Black / Blue / White tees Match of the Day –Stableford - Blue tees Shootout [for non-championship players]
	28	Tue	Ladies – Girls Day Out TBA
	29	Wed	WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees -11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	30	Thu	Ladies – Nett Throw Out Worst Two Holes Men's Group – Team Stableford - Yellow tees

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. This is to spread the use of the tee blocks to allow time for natural repair.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

The **Coringa Club Championships** will begin with the first qualifying round on the 4th of September. The second is the following week 11th of September – the best ONE of the two to count for qualification and seeding purposes.

Eight in each grade to qualify ie three rounds of match play scheduled for the 18th and 25th of September with the finals on the 9th of October.

Five grades: (Handicap index)

Senior 8.6 and below; Intermediate 8.7 to 14.3; Junior "A" 14.4 to 20.2; Junior "B" 20.3 and above; and Masters (age 65+ and no handicap restriction.)

Senior – Black tees; Intermediate & Junior "A" – Blue tees; Junior "B" & Masters – Silver / White tees.

NB. All Masters results are decided on Handicap (Handicaps frozen on first qualifying day, ie. 5th September.)

If you are unable to play your match on the due date you may play any time before the date of the next due round. Please let Dave Harvey know if you need to do this.

A notice to trophy holders from last year – please return these to the pro shop asap and it would be appreciated if you could engrave them.

WINTER RINGERS

Slightly warmer overnight conditions meant that there was some relief for the early tee-off starters after weeks of harsh weekend frosts. The day turned out great after not looking so favourable earlier in the week when rain was forecasted all weekend.

The top three positions in the each of the Groups remain the same, with only Group A the position order remain unchanged. Mal Ashton holds on to the lead with a net score of 58.0, a lead now of 1.4 over Brian Docherty, followed closely by Spencer Wicks on 59.7 and Dave Harvey on 61.6.

Less than 4 shots covers the first six, with two rounds remaining.

In Group B, saw David Cross reclaim the lead on 52.1 after improving his score on three holes during the round and opening a healthy margin of 1.8, followed by Walter Scott and Kevin King tied in second on 53.9, with Murray Angus a further 0.1 behind. In the most competitive Group the first 10 players are within a range of 5.9 strokes.

In Group C, Gordon McCoy on 52.0 surged past his closest rival Jonathan Kemp after improving his score on three holes and now holds a lead of 1.1, with Alan Wicks only 0.5 further behind. There's a gap of 0.6 to Chris Cottrell who lies in fourth.

Please note that the three groups are based on the players current handicap indexes and the current groupings are not final and are only indicative given that each player's handicap index can change after each round and therefore redefine the composition of the Group especially for those players on the range borders.

Last week saw another 15 birdies recorded by the Ringers field during the round. That brings the overall total to 90 birdies or better. Currently Mal Ashton has seven birdies, followed by Spencer Wicks, Walter Scott and Murray Angus with six birdies with Melissa Newburn, Dave Harvey and Vance Hetaraka, each having five birdies.

The weather outlook for the weekend is looking bright with Saturday forecasted fine with light nor'easterly winds with a high of 12 after an overnight low of 0. This being the penultimate week, it's time to put your A-game on show and not to leave it all to do in the last round of the competition. Again, you'll have the choice of two tees to play off, Blue or Silver/White.

See you out there on Saturday and Happy Golfing.

Kevin King

Ringers Organiser

BLANK CUP TEAM TRIALS

The final trial is this weekend.

Remember it's a minimum of 5 rounds (4 blues + 1 black) with the first 7 past the post selected plus a selector's choice.

Those who choose to play 6 will be averaged over 6 rounds.

John Rademakers

CLUB NEWS

New Members

We welcome the following two new members this week:

Sookyum Kim

Joon Park

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 Committee Thanks

The course committee would like to thank all the volunteers for the work they have been doing on the course, in particular the paths on #10 & #16 - they look great. Looking forward to see what the team can do with the path around the 6th hole – there's even a rumour that Russell is keen to extent his hand to take on a some bridge repairs – looking forward to seeing the results!!!

Once again thanks for giving up your valuable time to help make Coringa look great.

Other course news

The yellow tee block on hole no. 9 has caused a bit of debate about its slightly 'bumpy' surface. Rohan says this is to be expected – while the new tee block was packed down and compacted it still is going to take some time to fully settle down (right through into summer with the warm weather and then regular watering of the tee). At some stage we'll probably need to returf the tee to get the nice flat surface we're after, but this will be much easier as the tee block settles into place.

The club has bought some sand boxes for each of the Par 3's. These can be used to repair the tee's (either your divots or someone elses' – if play is slow, here's your chance to do something useful with your time!!)

Rohan and the team have spent a couple of weeks clearing around the Blue 17th tee. The work here is more than just for looks – the hope is by opening up the tee block it will encourage better grass growth on the block this spring.

Pace of Play

Winter conditions do slow things down a little, BUT!

Four and a quarter hour (plus) last Saturday was better, but it is still too long! Do make sure you are ON TIME and keep up with the four ahead. The Black tees again this Saturday mean this is even more important.

Course Care

I know this is a repeated message - BUT IT STILL APPLIES!

With winter conditions now upon us try and keep away from any muddy patches with your trundlers and keep carts well away from greens and DO NOT drive between bunkers and the greens, especially in the marked off areas. If you can, park up behind the green. If possible always try to travel in the rough and walk across to your ball when you reach it.

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!)

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 d \$9.40

THE MEN'S REPORT

This Saturday, the 24th of July, is an Irish stableford competition off the Blue or Silver tees, and the last round of the Rep Trial Process. Thanks very much to those hardy souls who are trialling for the side under the stewardship of John Rademakers.

I've had the last couple of weeks away from the clubrooms, holidaying and drinking too much fine New Zealand wine and beer, so I am looking forward to being back in there to pick up the stories. I would like to thank JB and Puds for covering for my absence!

Last Saturday, the 17th of July, was a Par competition off the Black and Silver tees and the KORNZ Cup was contested between the late morning players and the Alpha group. What a great afternoon was had by the 32 players who participated in the cup match. It was a four ball stableford match and played in a very competitive spirit! The match was won by the late morning group with a 7 and a half to a half result. The outstanding wins came from Walter Scott and Vance Heteraka and Terry Hampton and Bobby Pratt with 5/4 wins. Thanks everyone for making the efforts to play. I understand the Alpha Group had a further eight players willing to play, so next time guys make some time and join in!

Cook Eum of the Alpha Group presenting the trophy to David Harvey after the match



It was great to see 94 entering the match of the day, with 10 off the black tees and 84 (in four divisions) in the silver tees competition. The gross prize went to Nic Kay on 72 and it's great to see you regularly out there Nic, and Daniel Bushby won the Par competition on plus 3 on count back

from Jamie Howard. The weekend's best scoring occurred in Division Three with Philippe Lyonnais on count back from Kevin King on +4 and in Division Four, Keith Yardley on count back from Andrei Cotiga also on +4. Murray Angus won Division One on +1 and Bobby Pratt won Division Two on +3.

The Net Eagle hole was #12 and great to see \$100 went to John Robinson. Well done, Robbo! The birdie hole was #10 and won by Scott Ritchie and Seoung You (Alpha), while the jackpot was not struck so sits at \$81.

Great scoring to the winners! The full results are available on the website.

I was challenged about the pace of play on Saturday. It took me 4 hour 10 to complete my round at the end of the field, which I didn't think was too bad considering the numbers playing. Can I remind members to read the club notices and suggestions on pace of play. I must also comment to any of those that are playing in a three, you will obviously have to be patient as a four cannot travel and play at the same speed as a three!

Upcoming Club Championship:

Make sure you get your name down at the appropriate time. Further information is in the newsletter above.

Canterbury Golf Sunday Competitions:

The club currently has the following competitive sides entered / available for members to play in:

Blank Cup	Manager - Spencer Wicks / John Rademakers
Presidents	Manager - Paul Snape
Over 50's	Manager - John Rademakers

I am hoping to also have;

Metro A	Manager - James Willetts
Metro B	Manager - To be arranged (We are the defending champions!)

I will be putting a couple of sheets out for names of those interested in both Metro sides, so if you are keen, please put your names down and express your interest.

Upcoming events:

Representative Team trials conclude this week.

Urlwin Rosebowl Competition Qualifying on 31st July with match play rounds on the 7th, 14th, 21st, & 28th of August

Club Championships First Qualifying round - 4th of September.

Closest to the Pin:

Previous week (17 July)	Derrick Xu
This week 24 July)	Walter Scott
Following Week (31 July)	Jonathon Kemp

We currently have sponsorship through to November 2021 but are actively looking for more people of come forward and have a turn. If there is anyone who would like to sponsor the \$40 or provide the appropriate value prizes for the closest to the pin, could you approach James Willetts, Vance Heteraka, JB, Puds or myself.

Hole-in-One:

Kevin Walker had a hole-in-one on #13 on Friday 16th while playing a practice round. Well done Kev as his first one. Shame it wasn't the following day!

Membership Welfare:

John Banks

I called John and he is feeling much better and hopes to be playing in a couple weeks. If anyone has some time, please give John a call on his home phone 0211758984.

Ian Carruthers (Ex-Employee ('The Super') and club members)

I visited Ian and he is feeling much better. If anyone has some time please give Ian a call on his home phone 347 4226.

Comment:

As I go through life I continue to remind myself, that it is so important to enjoy each day, as we don't know what is around the corner! I have had the good fortune to play in the KORNZ cup last weekend and enjoyed my day with people I don't normally play with. I saw joy, happiness and a real sense of club unity within those playing. Then on Tuesday I was part of '**Russell McGregors' Tuesday crew**' completing the pathway around #16 tee and starting the pathway around #6. What fun to be with positive and energetic people making a real difference to the green staff's workload. I have had so many people expressing appreciation for the work being undertaken by Russell's crew. To me these feelings is what a club is about, positive people helping each other get some pleasure out of our lives.

Get out there and enjoy winter golf!

David Harvey

Men's Captain

LADIES REPORT

Saturday

No one played but Tee times for this Saturday the 24th - 1.12 pm. Please go to the online booking system and add your name if you want to play

Sunday

Three players decided it was worth a go before it rained.

1st, was Anne Morgan with 20 Stablefords. 2nd Joy McKelvey with 17 Stablefords

Tee times for next Sunday usual time of 10.30- weather permitting

Tuesday

There were eight players. For best nett trophy and putting. While it was frosty, the frost was not as hard as it has been.

The Champ of the Day was Fay Beckingsale with 14 putts. Well done, Fay

Best nett was Anne Morgan

Thursday

Eight gave it a go but after 4 holes decided that the rain was too persistent and called it a day

Starting time / tee time for both summer and winter on a Tuesday and Thursday is 9.30am

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

Rule clarification

Back in January 2019 when there were several rule changes, one of which was:

1. No penalty for a double hit – it only counts as one stroke

This was interpreted by some of us as being a gin, so happily went along with the gin shot not being a penalty. But it would appear this is incorrect

However, Sandy has since had this clarified, and this is the ruling

GOLF'S NEW RULES. Major Change: Ball Accidentally Struck More Than Once During a Stroke
March 12, 2018. 2019 Rule: Under Rule 10.1a, if the player's club accidentally hits the ball more than once during a single stroke: There will be no penalty and the ball will be played as it lies.

Gin shots below

Under the Rules of Golf, any stroke in which you intend to hit the ball counts. It doesn't matter how far the ball goes. If you swing and miss, and you were trying to hit the ball, then it counts. 29/09/2017

This is also called a whiff shot

Anne Morgan

WEDNESDAY GOLF

\$15 'The Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group' Wednesday Watering Tournament:

This Wednesday we had 61 participants at our 'postponed' Tournament and we played for \$50 Vouchers from 'The Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group', 'Hancocks, Wine, Spirit & Beer Merchants' closest to the pin and meat prizes from our friends at **New World Supermarket Bishopdale**.

The match committee has been approached by Johnny McKay and Johnny has offered the club sponsorship through his employer '**Hancocks, Wine, Spirit & Beer Merchants**'. This sponsorship will be used for covering the closest to the pin and the random draw prizes as part of our monthly '**The Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group**' Wednesday Watering Tournaments and Also as a new challenge in the Saturday match. Johnny has offered a bottle of wine from '**Hancocks**' to be part of a putting competition. Therefore, from this Saturday there will be a marker on a randomly selected Par 5 green on the course. This marker will be placed at the position where the longest putt has been made from on that green. The putt must be made on the green - and the fringe does not count. It is hoped you will enjoy the new challenge and thanks very much Johnny for the offer.

The best score of the day went to Lin Wang who shot 71 from Dutchy Rademakers on 72 on what I thought were fabulous greens and conditions. It was also great to see Vance Heteraka getting permission from Jess to get out on Wednesday, but it didn't mean he needed to pick up all the good prizes, with first in the competition and two raffles!

The Coringa member results include:

Division One (less than 14.4)

1 st	Vance Heteraka	41
2 nd	Richard Kingsbury	40
3 rd	Lin Wang	39
8 th	David Harvey	36

Division One (14.5 and over)

1 st	Hugh Little	37(C/B)
2 nd	Russell McGregor	37
4 th	Jimmy Anderson	36(C/B)
6 th	John McCabe	35(C/B)
7 th	Jerry Kuipers	35
8 th	Wing Gin	34
10 th	Peter Bailey	33

Please remember our next **\$15 'Lone Star / Joes Garage Group' Watering Tournament** on the **4th August** and the **\$10 Tournament** on the **18th**.

Remember all the tournament starts at 10.30 a.m and are focused on getting people into the clubrooms not just playing golf! The board have decided to have the kitchen open for both tournaments and Murita will be there to provide her lovely food.

THURSDAY MEN'S GROUP

The winter weather prevailed again for another cancellation.

Better luck next week!

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men.

AND NOW

The Navy Pension

The Navy found they had too many officers and decided to offer an early retirement bonus. They promised any officer who volunteered for Retirement a bonus of \$1,000 for every inch measured in a straight line between any Two points in his body.

The officer got to choose what those two points would be.

The first officer who accepted asked that he be measured from the top of his head to the tip of his toes. He was measured at six feet and walked out with a bonus of \$72,000.

The second officer who accepted was a little smarter and asked to be measured from the tip of his outstretched hands to his toes. He walked Out with \$96,000.

The third one was a non-commissioned officer, a grizzly old Chief who, when asked where he would like to be measured replied,

From the tip of my weenie to my testicles.'

It was suggested by the pension man that he might want to reconsider, explaining about the nice big checks the previous two Officers had received.

But the old Chief insisted, and they decided to go along with him providing the measurement was taken by a Medical Officer.

The Medical Officer arrived and instructed the Chief to 'drop 'em,' which he did. The medical officer placed the tape measure on the tip of the Chief's weenie and began to work back.

"Dear Lord!", he suddenly exclaimed, "Where are your testicles?"

The old Chief calmly replied, "Vietnam".

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

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John Brettell