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Kia Ora

SATURDAY'S MATCH

This Saturday is a Stroke round off the Black or White tees. It is the last opportunity to play off the Black tees before the winter makes it a more difficult option.

The Shootout applies for the day and we are now up to 44 participants and it is still not too late to enter. The competition does run until November! Check the web site for the details of where you stand.

The proposed programme until the end of June is:				
April	30	Fri	Willows Cricket Club – golf tournament. Course closed from 11.30am	
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	
	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
	10		- 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	20	Thu	Ladies – Visitors Day 9-Hole
	22	Sat	Men's Group – Par - Yellow tees Stoke – White tees.
		Juli	Qualifying Howarth Salvers (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 Salvers – (White tees on handicap). Shootout
June	1	Tue	Ladies – Val Sutherland
	2	Wed	Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT - Stableford – White Tees. 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.).
	3	Thu	Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men's Group – Stroke – Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees.
	5	Sat	Queen's Birthday Weekend Stroke – Black/ White tees Winter ringers – 1 st round.
	6	Sun	Sunday – Members Golf
	8	Tue	Ladies – Best Nett trophy / LD
	9	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	10	Thu	Ladies – Stableford Trophy Men's Group – Stableford - White tees
	12	Sat	4BBB Stableford – White tees Random Drawn fours after 10.30 am. Semi-finals Howarth Salvers – (White tees on handicap). Shootout Winter ringers.
	13	Sun	Sunday – Members Golf
	15	Tue	Ladies – Mid-Winter Lunch (possible help required)
	16	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	17	Thu	Ladies - LGU

		Men's Group – Par - Yellow tees
19	Sat	Stableford – Blue / Yellow tees Start of Rep Trial Process – Blue/ Black tees. Shootout Finals Howarth Salvers – (White tees on handicap). Winter ringers.
20) Sun	Sunday – Members Golf
22	2 Tue	Ladies – Stableford / LD
23	3 Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
24	I Thu	Ladies - Stableford Men's Group –Stableford - Yellow tees
26	S Sat	Irish Stableford – White tees. Rep Trial Process – Black tees. Shootout Winter ringers.
27	7 Sun	Sunday – Members Golf
29	Tues	Ladies - Stableford
30) Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.

CLUB NEWS

New Members (including our 400th member)

We welcome the following fourteen new members this week:

Scott Allpress Cicy Chen Noah Choi Thomas Corston Chris Gorman Gun Kim Nathan Kim Hyung Rok Lee Yongho Lee Burny Martin Simon Pannett Seok Yong Park

Sung In Park Chris Young

As regular readers of the newsletter have noticed we have been welcoming a steady stream of new members over the last nine months particularly after COVID lockdown. We are now up to over 400 members (411 to be exact!!). This is a great achievement for the Club and certainly bodes well for the future. Please make a big effort to welcome all these new members and make them feel at home in their new Club!!

Clubhouse roof and external painting

As you know the clubhouse roof repairs have been completed.

Next stage is to paint the outside of the Clubhouse. It's a big job but "many hands make light work"

We have removed the perimeter scaffolding now as the butynol is now complete and thoroughly tested from the weekend's storm. Lovely and dry inside today after Thursday golf.

A new movable scaffolding tower has been developed to allow us to easily reach the upper floor soffits and windows and we have a half height unit that will help at the back. Tomorrow we start the water blasting that will clean up the building ready for the painting to continue.

From next week we will have plenty of preparation and painting jobs for people to get onto. There

will be good options at ground level for those challenged by height with painting of the bench seats, masking lower windows and then sanding and painting them.

The movable tower will help with soffit painting and the masking and painting of upper windows. Our target is to complete by the end of May. We need lots of help to achieve this. It would help if you could bring a couple of brushes and maybe a smaller container to decant paint into.

Next week we expect to be painting Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday so if you are available for one, some or all of those days we will be starting about 9.00am and wrapping up by 2.30pm. If you can help even for an hour or two it would be much appreciated.

For further information please contact Russell (027 4318459) or Paul (027 6874011)

For those of you who are curious, attached is a photo of the view from the top of the roof – despite some suggestions we won't be moving the 1st tee up here (though it is a hell of view!!)

The putting green and first hole as seen from the top of the club house.



Mowers

At long last the 1st of the mowers arrived. Rohan had it out the other day mowing the Greens. It did an excellent job and its fair to say we have a very happy Greens Keeping staff!! The new Tees & Surrounds mower should be with us next week.

While the mowers have taken a while to get here, our supplier, Powerturf have been excellent through this process letting us know where the mowers were at and supporting us when they arrived by configuring them to Rohan's specifications – thank you!!

VETS CUP

Attached is the result sheet following the final round of the Vets cup last Saturday.

The winner this year is Andrew Wight. Congratulations Andrew!

The lead did not change after the last round, with Andrew retaining his 1 shot lead over John Robinson and a fast-finishing Jimmy Anderson.

John Matthews

THE MEN'S REPORT

<u>This Saturday</u>, the 1st of May, is a Stroke round off the Black or White tees. The weather is supposed to be wet Friday night and chilly in the morning so I can understand if members decide to play off the white tees.

Pace of Play

I understand that last Saturday there was again an issue with the pace of play and I received a number of complaints. I accept that some of this pace issue could be put down to the availability to play multiple coloured tee blocks, but I remind members that you should be playing "Ready Golf", so write your scores down after you have hit off the tee blocks or while walking, in an endeavour to keep up with the group in front. All groups off even the Black tees should be completing nine holes in close to two hours. Please make an effort, and **Keep up with the group in front**.

<u>Last Saturday</u> was a Stroke round off the Blue or White tees and there was some tremendous scoring. The full results are available on the website, but the summary is.

Blue Division One:

Isaac Preece 67.

Blue Division Two:

Garry Puddy 65 from Graham Norquay 67.

White Division One:

John Matthews 67 from John McCabe 68.

White Division Two:

Kirby Johnston 64 from Robin Wah 65 and Mike Dimond 68.

Kirby also won the Two's jackpot on #5 and #7 and birdie hole. A nice introduction to the club. Philippe Lyonnais won the Net Eagle hole number 2 with Rob Gillespie and Jason Busbridge also collecting in the birdie hole.

Coringa Open:

Could I again take time to thank the club members who sponsored prizes for the **The 'Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group' and New World Bishopdale 2021 Coringa Open.'** If it was not for those members the success of the tournament would not have been the same. There is a letter in the Pro Shop for those members who are as follows;

Lin Wang (IGQ)

John McCabe. (Ocean Gems)

James Willetts

Ian Butcher (Alf, The Professional, The Professional Overstayer)

Mel Newburn

Bill Hallett

John Maasch

Don Redfern

John Gaw

John Matthews

David Harvey

Meat/ Closest to the Pin (Wine)/ Raffle Prizes:

There are still several 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.

Upcoming events:

22nd of May Qualifying Howarth Salvers Matchplay (best 8 in 4 grades to qualify)

29th of May Howarth Salvers Matchplay begins

Closest to the Pin:

Previous week (24 April)
This week (01 May)

This week (01 May) Fresh Choice, Merivale Mall

Following Week (8 May)

James Willetts

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

Keith Yardley

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.

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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

LADIES REPORT

What a changeable week, beautiful on Saturday as per Myra's report. Great morning for golf, with a small group of 5 turning up. Seems quite a few away on holiday this weekend. Winners on stableford points - Myra Story with 20 and Anne Keh with 19. Everyone played well and enjoyed their morning golf. A booking at 9.06am has been made for next Saturday so if you are interested, please add your name.

Sunday only 3 people manage to play with Joy coming in with a 22 stableford, well done Joy.

Tuesday was a wash out although Janet did come out and said it was clear at Coringa, but the rest of us apparently decided it was far too wet,

Thursday, two teams played off for another round in the Rosebowl, Janice Mc and Leigh against Janice and Sandy, Janice Mc and Leigh played a lovely round to win the match, it was a reasonable close match and I think we all enjoyed the competition and banter.

Janice Mc and Leigh now play Padma and Anne M in the final

The other 8 nine hole ladies played stableford game with 4 coming out with 19 stablefords each, on a count back was Joy, winner, Myra second and Cecelia third, Ellen also had a 19 but missed out on the money, well done ladies great scores.

Today 18 hole ladies had a new lady playing within them, hopefully we will have a few more in the future.

The weather has started to turn a bit chilly in the morning but we will still keep to our 9.30 starts and hopefully there will not be to many frosts

Sandy Dermott

INTERCLUB

Presidents:

The final round in the competition is Sunday week, the 9th of May, when Coringa play the leaders, Templeton, at Bottle Lake. At present the team is in 4th position (out of 14), on 15 points, behind Templeton, McLean's Island and Russley.

WEDNESDAY GOLF

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

This Wednesday 5th of May has our tournament starting from 10.30 am. Come out and enjoy the day 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

A good field of 27 played a Stableford round off the White tees. The conditions could not have been better, warm weather with clear skies. It was a pleasure to welcome Russell McGregor and Paul Snape taking a break from there great work refurbishing the clubhouse. A brilliant effort from Russell and if he had played the back 9 as well as the front there would have been a judicial inquiry. (24 points ain't bad eh!).

The full results are as follows:

1 st	Russell McGregor	42
2 nd	Jerry Kuipers	39
3 rd	Jim Anderson	38
4 th	Maurice Owen	37
5 th	John Brettell	36 (Life in the old dog yet!!!!)
6 th	Lex Halford	35

There were 2's for Chris Cottrell, John Matthews, Nick Frampton and Seamus O'Cromtha. Hoping the weather will hold and another good field next week with a start at 10.00am commencing for the winter months.

Good golfing.

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men.

AND NOW

Domestic Bliss

• A wife asks her husband, "Could you please go shopping for me and buy one carton of milk and if they have avocados, get 6.

A short time later the husband comes back with 6 cartons of milk. The wife asks him, "Why did you buy 6 cartons of milk"

He replied, "They had avocados."

If you're a woman, I'm sure you're going back to read it again! Men will get it the first time.

• WIFE: "There is trouble with the car. It has water in the carburettor."

HUSBAND: "Water in the carburettor? That's ridiculous "

WIFE: "I tell you the car has water in the carburettor."

HUSBAND: "You don't even know what a carburettor is. I'll check it out. Where is the car? WIFE: "In the pool".

 A young man wanted to get his beautiful wife, Meg, something nice for their first wedding anniversary.

So he decided to buy her a mobile phone. He showed her the phone and explained to her all of its features.

Meg was excited to receive the gift and simply adored her new phone.

The next day Meg went shopping. Her phone rang and, to her astonishment, it was her husband on the other end.

"Hi Meg," he said, "how do you like your new phone?"

Meg replied, "I just love it! It's so small and your voice is clear as a bell, but there's one thing I don't understand though."

"What's that, sweetie?" asked her husband.

"How did you know I was at Countdown?"

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

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