



Coringa News



9th October 2025

Kia Ora,

Saturday's Match

- A Stableford competition off the dual Black / Silver tees for men, Yellow tees for women.
- Shootout

NOTE – The Vintage Car Club Swap Meet is on this weekend, Opposite Coringa entrance. Traffic can get very busy, so allow extra travel time to avoid arriving late for your tee time.

Raffle

No draw this week.

Program until the end of November - 2025

	11	Sat	Stableford – Black / Silver Tees Shootout
	12	Sun	Interclub Thompson MacDonald Trophy • All teams playing at Coringa – Course Closed until 2pm • Coringa vs Avondale Metro A – Home game vs Clearwater Metro B – Bye

	13	Mon	Coringa 9 Hole Tournament
	14	Tue	Ladies; Best nett trophy Twilight golf
	15	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver Tees 10.30 am start; \$10 Members. \$15 Visitors
	16	Thu	Ladies; Championship Finals 9 Hole; Championship Finals Men; Par – Yellow Tees
	18	Sat	Stableford – Blue / Silver tees Shootout
	19	Sun	Interclub Presidents; away game vs McLeans Island Metro A – home game vs Russley
	20	Mon	Coring – Course Closed
	21	Tue	Coring – Course Closed
	22	Wed	Coring – Course Closed Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	23	Thu	Coring – Course Closed
	24	Fri	COURSE OPEN – Barring any bad weather delays, or equipment malfunctions - Coring should be finished by Thursday.
	25	Sat	4BBB nett – Silver tees Shootout
	28	Tue	Ladies; Stableford Twilight golf
	29	Wed	XTRA - WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver Tees 10.30 am start; \$10 Members. \$15 Visitors
	30	Thu	Ladies; Janet Sharp Bisque Par 9 hole; Putting (Last day for Ringers) Men; Irish Stableford – Yellow tees
November	1	Sat	Stableford – Black/White tees Shootout – Final Round
	2	Sun	Interclub Presidents – away game vs Rawhiti Metro A – away game vs Waitikiri Metro B – home game vs Clearwater
	4	Tue	9-hole; Stableford Twilight
	5	Wed	Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees. 10.30 am start; (\$20 – entry fee.)
	6	Thu	Ladies; Joan Bisset Nett R9 9-hole; Stableford
	8	Sat	Par – Blue / White Tees Shootout – Top 10 Final @12.30pm

	11	Tue	9-hole; Stableford Twilight
	12	Wed	Templeton Wednesday Tournament
	13	Thu	Ladies; Lilah Edgar / Acacia Stb R9 9-hole; Nett (Throw out worst 2 holes)
	15	Sat	AGM Match – tba
	18	Tue	9-hole; Nett Twilight
	19	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 10.30 am start; entry fee \$10 members \$15 visitors.
	20	Thu	Ladies; McLeans vs Coringa 9-hole; Stableford
	22	Sat	Stableford – Blue / White tees State of Origin – Match play on handicap
	23	Sun	Foodstuffs tournament – course closed Metro A – Home game vs McLeans Island (to be rescheduled) Metro B – away game vs Russley
	25	Tue	9-hole; Stableford Twilight
	26	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	27	Thu	Ladies; Closing Day – McKenzie Trophy 9-hole; AGM Closing Day - Stableford
	29	Sat	Mixed Team Competition – White / Yellow Tees
	30	Sun	Interclub Presidents – Home game vs Russley Metro A – away game vs Templeton. Metro B – away game vs McLeans Island

CLUB NEWS

COURSE NEWS

Green speed is 10 feet.

This week on the course, we had to spray the greens for some unexpected disease. We only have done a few laps of rough on every hole as we are going to do a full cut next week ahead of coring.

The IGQ practice green has now been sown and should be playable by December. We were out later in the week and have over sown all the fairways.

Next week we start to get ready for coring greens. This means the greens will have fertilizer spread on them, the coring sand will arrive, all bits of equipment will get a once over to make sure everything is up and running as they should be

On the course side of things, we will give it a full wire to wire cut.

SUBSCRIPTIONS / MEMBERSHIP

Kevin's now tried to contact all those members who haven't yet starting paying paid their subscriptions.

As of Tuesday, all of those members who we haven't heard from, and who haven't started paying have been resigned (roughly around 50 members).

If you are one of these, but you still want to be a member, just contact Kevin at office@coringagolfclub.co.nz and he will reinstate you (relatively simple process)

And just a FYI – this leaves membership numbers sitting just under 600 plus 90 Uni students (whose membership ends 30 November). This is about where we were last year and in line with what we expected.

On final point of interest – in September, Coringa had the 2nd most rounds played amongst the Clubs in Canterbury (just behind Harewood – apparently this was on Canterbury Golf's FB page).

TUESDAY VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all those that were able to attend the Working Bee.

We had 14 keen men that enabled us to get several tasks done that have been on the list for awhile.

- After Barry Nelson filled all the Sand Boxes around the course, we removed the large pile of rubbish that had been dumped inside our gate -Thanks Barry , never nice picking someone else's rubbish as you don't know what it contains. Paul Snape also did some great detective work and found the culprits.
- Barry and Walter cleaned and filled all the ball washers, cleaned the sponsors signs on the Tee Blocks and weeded around them.
- We removed the rather large, horrible broom bush on the right-hand side of the practise fairway. Recovering about 40 practice golf balls from under it, once we had weeded all the grass.
- There were several broken tree branches hanging in the canopy of the trees that had been recently pruned behind the number 2 green which we removed.

- Phil dealt to that ugly bush on the right-hand side of the 13th and cleaned up some bushes around the 7th tee block.
- Russell and his helpers installed the large Golf Warehouse sign onto the clubhouse, it looks great, and I am sure this key sponsor will be very happy when they view it.
- We then tidied up the walkway to the 10th tee.
- Harv and helpers were busy weed trimming around the recently planted native trees on number 12.

Next week tasks, we will sweep the aggregate in the Carpark and repair the potholes if the rain stays away.

We also have some trees to trim, complete the weed trimming on number 12 and some further gardening work to complete.

If you would like to join the team of Tuesday volunteers, just turn up between 8.30 and 9am on any Tuesday.

Harv / Brian



The Tuesday volunteers taking a well-earned break.

There was a bit of controversy when Walter Scott stole the only gluten free sausage roll – meant for Brian.

Walter said it was the only sausage roll so he didn't want everyone fighting over it, so he did the boys a favor, It was very nice too!

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Coringa to our new members.

Brankin, Fergus

Leota, Joe

Kim, Brian

Corbett, Andy

Spain, Logan

Leota, Isaac

Spence, Andrew

Leota, Mary

Te Mete, Wayne

2025 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Finals Day – check out the Coringa Facebook page for photos of all the winners.

From early in the week, it was obvious the weather was going to play a big part in this year's championship.

The players were informed late in the week, play would need to continue in the rain unless the course was deemed unplayable and closed.

The day started off very wet, but with the forecast looking to improve and while the greens remained playable, play continued as scheduled.

Junior B

Wing Gin vs Sang Ho Lee (Bruce)

This match started off very evenly, with both men hitting the ball similar distances, and both very straight,

I witnessed multiple holes where these two men played incredible golf without any care or worry about the wet conditions.

Bruce finished the first 18 with a strong lead - 4up. but as we all know, a lot can change in the 2nd round.

Wing was determined to claw his way back into the match, but with every amazing shot Wing played, Bruce played one even better, so it was a hard slog for Wing.

Bruce eventually stretched out his lead, standing on the 12th tee 7up with 7 to play, Wing put everything into it, but just couldn't overcome the inform champion golfer.

Junior B Champ - Sang Ho Lee 8/6

Junior A

Kyle Charlwood vs Jack Fuye Li.

Both men come to the finals in great form, so this was always going to be a close match, or so we thought

Kyle got off to a hot start, going up early, despite some of the heckling from the raucous crowd (nah - just me)

It was a good match, but for the first round, Kyle was in great form. going into the break 8up.

Amazingly, even though he was 8 down Jack's attitude was incredibly positive, you would have thought he was winning,

He stood on the first tee for the 2nd round, gave himself a quick pep talk ("just hit a good shot") and he smoked his drive down the middle,

Kyle unfortunately had been poisoned by his lunchtime soup (or so he claims), because all of a sudden, he was getting the worst luck and the worst breaks, finding himself stymied behind trees, yes Kyle that's the soup's fault!

Jack kept the pressure on, and slowly inched back the deficit, standing on the 15th tee the match was back to all square.

Kyle could have hit the panic button and folded under the pressure from Jack, but he held his composure,

I was privileged to observe some world class golf from these two men, and it was no surprise when they continued into extra holes.

Junior A Champ - Kyle Charlwood - 39th hole

Intermediate

Angus Tucker vs Richard Kingsbury

A much anticipated match, with both vying for their first championship title.

It was obvious from the start, there were two very different styles of play,

The big hitting Angus, teeing off with irons, and Richard holding nothing back, attacking everything.

Richard made early headway with fantastic golf, whereas Angus just didn't have his A-game today, making uncharacteristic mistakes.

Richard finished the first round with a healthy 7up lead.

Heading into the 2nd round, Angus had changed up his approach, hitting more drivers and trying to find his way back into the game.

He did just that, and early in the round clawed back 3 holes in a row,

Having just lost 3 holes it would be easy for panic to set in, but not when you have the mental fortitude of Richard who fought back to stop the rot.

Richard played an uncharacteristically terrible hole on 10, and if I thought he was starting to wane, he proved me wrong on 11, when he played a fantastic shot into the green clinching the hole.

The match never changed from there and finished on hole 13.

Intermediate Champ - Richard Kingsbury 7/5

Seniors

John Rademakers vs James Howard

The big boys of Coringa golf, and boy did they prove themselves today.

Both have completely different styles of game, The bomber vs Mr precision,

Wow what a match to witness, I spent a lot of time watching this match purely for the amazing golf played by both men.

Dutchy had the ball on a string, I don't know if he missed a fairway today, and he was a magician around the greens, getting up and down from everywhere, and multiple times dropping huge putts from over 25ft,

Jamie was putting on a ball striking clinic, with big drives and long irons, but it seemed like water on the club face was causing a problem with distance control on some of the shorter clubs, with many going long of the green.

This was the tightest match of the day, with no more than 1 hole in it through the first round, and remained just as close in the second round.

In the end, Jamie did manage to break the deadlock and take the win.

Senior Champ - James Howard 4/3

Masters – Greg Carr vs Peter Cottrell

With the course already on the edge of closing, and the weather expected to get worse by 1pm, I made the call to cancel the Masters match.

This will be played this Saturday,

A big thank you to all the players, I know this was a terrible day to play golf, but I was privileged to see some incredible golf being played today, congratulations to all.

Thank you also to our greenkeeper Rohan, coming out to check on the course, and to move some pins to keep the matches going, much appreciated,

Thanks to Paul Snape, putting on a hot lunch for the players, this was very much appreciated by all.

Thanks to the caddies and supporters out on the course and in the clubhouse.

INTERCLUB

BLANK CUP

The team are currently in 4th place, going into the final 2 rounds.

Last week's final 2 rounds were postponed due to weather, the match has been rescheduled for 2nd November

LADIES REPORT

18-Holers: This week they played Lilah Edgar/ Acacia Stb R8 Ringers close

Next week they play free day. Game yet to be decided

9-Holers (mixed):

Thursday: This week they played LGU. 1st Micheal with Nett 35 and 2nd Leigh with Nett 36. Micheal also got a 2 on No 17.

Next week we play, if possible, any Championship games that are remaining. Duty person is Chris Hendry

Saturday: If you are wanting to play on Saturdays with the 9-hole Ladies please contact Tracey Bruce. tracey.bruce@cdhb.health.nz . Rained off

Sunday: last Sunday, rained off. Course is closed this Sunday.

Tuesday This week we played for the Val Sutherland Trophy. 1st Vaughan with 20 Stablefords, 2nd Janice McPhail with 19 Stablefords and 3rd equal Leigh and Chris, both with 18 Stablefords.



Next week no game due to the 9 Hole tournament the day before.

General News:

9 Hole Coringa Tournament is next Monday Please!!!! bring in items for the raffle table. Big thank you to those who have already contributed. Entries close today. (Thursday 9th) If there are any late entries, please email Tracy Bruce directly tracey.bruce@cdhb.health.nz. Entry fee \$20 + \$10 for lunch. Money to be paid into the ladies account 03-0854-00067-13 000

Mixed 9-Hole Club Championship. Chis and Judith Bennetts played today with Judith the winner.

Raking the Bunkers. Ladies, please rake the bunkers if you have been in them. It has been noted that there a lot of smaller sized feet (that do not belong to the wild life) that have not been raked.

Tournaments:

For 9-hole ladies, can you please let Leigh know when you are wanting to enter tournaments and she will send your entry in. leigh72mcewen@icloud.com ph. 0274340872.

18-hole ladies. If you are wanting to enter any tournaments, please do this yourself. Do not forget to send in your Handicap, ID and Index.

9 Hole Tournaments

See notice board in the foyer of the club House

18 Hole Tournaments

Greendale Golf Club Women's Team Stableford Tournament Teams of Four 18 Hole Members, Friday the 10th of October. Grades 0 – 40.4. Entry fee \$35 per person

McLeans Island Golf Club, Women's Open Teams Stableford Tournament. FRIDAY 31st OCTOBER 2025 ENTRY FEE: \$120 PER TEAM OF FOUR

Anne Morgan Ladies Club Captain

MENS REPORT

This Saturday 4th October

Will be a Stableford competition off the Black / Silver tees,

- Shootout.

Last Saturday 27th September.

The bad weather on Saturday, kept most people away, with only 11 stupid brave people turning out to play,

Due to the very low numbers, the call was made to cancel the match of the day, and refund all players their entry fees,

These have been refunded onto your club cards.

Pace of Play issue

While I was already on the course watching the club champs, I did have to pull out the official badge and play course marshal to some of the slower golfers on the course,

Usually I don't name and shame people, but, with the level of denial and excuses provided by this foursome I think it's only fair to expose them, Clinton Chase, Alan Smith, Malcolm Wratt and Phil Olsen.

Excuse No1 – there's no-one behind us – the next group is four holes back

Excuse No2 – there's no-one else on the course.

Sorry fella's, I was cold and wet driving around in a golf cart, so maybe I was a bit harsh, but still, rules are rules, - keep up with the group ahead!! 😊😊

WEDNESDAY

The group headed down the road to Templeton with reduced numbers this month. The weather was a challenge to many with fast greens and difficult pin positions considering the forecasted strong winds which eventuated. Our best performers were again John Kim with 36 points and Joanne Joung with 34. Great to see 'The Boss' Russell McGregor is back with a solid 34 also.

Coringa members Results

Division One:

4th.	John Kim.	36
6th.	Joanne Joung.	34

Division Three:

4th. Russell McGregor 34

Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' (\$20 entry) tournament

We will now have our delayed monthly fundraising **Wednesday 'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' (\$20 entry) tournament** on Wednesday **14th of October** with the usual **'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group'** \$50 vouchers , with meat prizes from our friends at **'New World Bishopdale'** and closest to pins purchased through **'Hancocks'**.

Please organise a group and book a tee time.

Unfortunately I'm away in Central Otago, so Puds and Walter will be organise the day for everyone.

The group heads to Ellesmere on the 22nd.

Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' (\$20 entry) tournament

We will be have our usual monthly fundraising **Wednesday 'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' (\$20 entry) tournament** on Wednesday **5th of November** with our usual prizes and therefore three of seven prizes in each.

Then on the **Wednesday 19th of November** we will have our mid month **'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' (\$10 members entry and \$15 for non members) tournament** on Wednesday with our meat prizes from our friends at **'New World Bishopdale'** and closest to pins purchased through **'Hancocks'**.

Christmas 'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' Tournament.

Then on the **Wednesday 3rd of December** we will have our end of year and Christmas **'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' (\$20 entry) tournament** with our usual prizes from our friends at **'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group'**, **'New World Bishopdale'** and closest to pins purchased through **'Hancocks'**.

I will be once again be inviting staff from the **'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group'** to participate within the tournament.

Book yourself and your group in.

Harv

THURSDAY

On a brilliant sunny Spring morning we had a big field of 29 players turn up for the Thursday Golf tournament. Today's round was a stableford off the silver tees.

We had 3 visitors today from Everglades and Hutt Park.

It was a pleasure playing on our course today, the greens and fairways are looking awesome.

In first place today was Alton Michel who played great golf scoring 40 points, in second place was Paul Gnad who also played very well for 39 points, in third place was Jim Jenkins with 37 points, in 4th place was Jacky Zhang on 34 points and in 5th place was Hunter Liu also on 34 points.

The most honest golfer today was John Matthews who played solid golf for his 24 points..

Results

1 st	Alton Michel	40 points
2 nd	Paul Gnad	39 points
3 rd	Jim Jenkins	37 points
4 th	Jacky Zhang	34 points
5 th	Hunter Liu	34 points

Phil Olsen

TWILIGHT

Twilight officially got started on Tuesday, with over 50 people attending, great start to the season, With the course in great condition scoring was very good, with 5 players on 20pts, and 9 players with 19pts,

The ultimate winner of the night went to birthday boy, Olly Snape who came in with 24pts, after shooting a 2-under 34,

I had the misfortune of being Olly's opponent tonight, and he started off on fire, with 3 birdies on the first 3 holes, and only narrowly missing birdie putts on 13 and 14, It was very impressive to watch, but also disheartening knowing we were getting our butts kicked. Well done Olly.

And Now...

- **Why White?**

A fresh-faced lad on the eve of his wedding night asks his mother, "Mom, why are wedding dresses white?"

The mother looks at her son and replies, "Son, this shows the town that your bride is pure."

The son thanks his mom, and then seeks his father opinion, "Dad, why are wedding dresses white?"

The father looks at his son in surprise and says, "Son, all household appliances come in white."

- Two blondes were flying to Miami from Cleveland.
Fifteen minutes into the flight, the captain announced "One of the engines has failed and the flight will be an hour longer. But don't worry we have three engines left".

Thirty minutes later, the captain announced "One more engine has failed and the flight will be two hours longer. But don't worry we have two engines left".

An hour later the captain announced "One more engine has failed and the flight will be three hours longer. But don't worry we have one engine left".

One blonde looked at the other the other blonde and said "If we lose one more engine, we'll be up here all day"

MEMBERS CORNER

Rake Bunkers Please

As mentioned last week, it's not only frustrating and disappointing for our greens staff to see their hard work being ruined, but it's also very annoying when it is your ball that becomes lodged in someone else's footprint.

Please do the right thing and rake the bunker whenever you go into one.

Don't forget to repair pitch marks on the greens and fix your divots on the fairways,

If you're not sure how to do this, please google it, there are hundreds of videos and lessons online.

On-course pictures of the club champs



Jamie – Tees off on 2nd hole



Dutchy – tees off on 2nd hole



Jack - Tees off on 3rd hole



Kyle – Putting on 2nd green



Richard – Putting on 13th green



Angus – 2nd hole



Sang Ho Lee – 9th tee



Wing Gin – 12th tee

If anyone has any news, jokes or stories to share with the club please contact me

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