



Coringa News



20th November 2025

Kia Ora,

Saturday's Match

- A Stableford competition off the Blue / White Tees for men, Yellow tees for women.

Raffle

Multiple raffle draws this week, all winners present at prize-giving.

Program until the end of December - 2025

November	22	Sat	Stableford – Blue / White tees
	23	Sun	COURSE CLOSED – Foodstuffs Tournament Interclub 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	American Stableford – White Tees

			State of Origin – Match play on handicap
	30	Sun	Interclub Presidents – Home game vs Russley Metro A – away game vs Templeton. Metro B – away game vs McLeans Island
December	2	Tue	Twilight
	3	Wed	Lone Star Group CHRISTMAS WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees 10.30 am start; (\$20 entry fee).
	4	Thu	Men; Stableford – Yellow Tees – Jerry Attick Trophy
	6	Sat	Irish Stableford – Black / Silver Tees Summer Ringers begins
	7	Sun	Interclub Presidents – home game vs Templeton Metro A – home game vs Harewood
	9	Tue	Twilight
	10	Wed	Templeton Wednesday Tournament
	11	Thu	Men; Closing Day – Stableford Silver Tees
	13	Sat	Christmas Hamper Day – Shotgun Start \$20 entry 4-person Team Ambrose Competition.
	14	Sun	Interclub Presidents, away game vs Bottle Lake Metro A – home game vs Waimairi Beach Metro B – home game vs Harewood
	16	Tue	Twilight – Final night for 2025
	18	Thu	Men; Legends Day
	20	Sat	Final regular Saturday Competition for the year Stableford – Silver Tees Summer Ringers
	25	Thu	CHRISTMAS DAY – Pro Shop Closed
	26	Fri	BOXING DAY – Course Open
	27	Sat	Holiday Competition - \$5 entry – Stableford Blue Tees Summer Ringers

CLUB NEWS

COURSE NEWS

Green speed is 9.2 feet (things are speeding up!!)

This week has been a busy one with giving the course a full wire to wire cut. The greens will be fertilized tomorrow (Friday), and the fairways were fertilized on Monday. On Tuesday we did our monthly check on the irrigation and found a few areas that need our attention. In front of the 13th

green where there is a lot of water, we have checked all the irrigation and it is working just fine, so we are planning to install some drainage in that area next week if there's a digger available.

Tees update

15 and 17 have now been hydroseeded, they have been roped off, and I ask that golfers please keep off the new tees. While we are growing in the new tees, we need to keep them moist, this means we will be watering during the daytime. For some complicated reasons around our water consents, to water the tees we also need to run a couple of fairway sprinklers during the day, so.....we'll be running 4 sprinklers on the 3rd fairway at 1pm and at 5pm and 4 sprinklers will come on the 15 fairway at 9am. The sprinklers will only run for 8 minutes. This goes for the weekends as well until the first initial grow in period is finished.

The Contractors are planning to start the 4th and 8th tee blocks next week. Temporary tees for 15-17 and next week 4 and 8 tees will join them.

Next week - main job is the drainage in front of the 13th green

Rohan

LAST WEEKS AGM

Thanks to everyone that attended the AGM on Saturday – great to see so many people there.

Everything went well – with Dave Harvey and Brian Docherty standing down from the Board, Chris Innes put his name forward and was elected to the Board for 2 year term. Vance offered another year as Club Captain (gratefully accepted!!) and the new Constitution was adopted without too much discussion.

During the week the Clubs Financial Statements were lodged with the Incorporated Societies Office and the Club was re-registered under the new Act and with the new Constitution

All done for another year!!!

TUESDAY WORKING GROUP

We had a great turnout today with 14 guys turning up to assist with tree removal, general ground and garden area cleanup at the IGQ grounds. It was a great effort and looks really tidy now.

Thank you all for a job well done!

Chris Cotteril also turned up today, bad back and all so he did some light duty work today which included cleaning sponsors signs, ball washers and filling the ball washers.

We are down to 5 ball washers at present as we have two being repaired.

Next week we will be back to tree trimming on the 6th hole and we will also make a start on cleaning up the ugly area between number 6 and the 12th hole.

Harv / Brian

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **STATE OF ORIGIN - Saturday 29th November** – Crusaders vs Highlanders.
 - The annual rivalry / grudge match continues, get ready to defend your team's honourIf you wish to play in the organised matches, please put your name on the entry list this week, so the team captains can make up the draw and make the tee bookings
Bookings made between 10am and 11am, 29th Nov

Note, members who play earlier in the day can still take part, by organizing your own match within your 4-some. You do not need to enter your name onto the entry list. This is for booking purposes only.

On match day, there will be a team sheet in the shop where you can register your match.

- **CHRISTMAS HAMPER DAY - Saturday 13th December**
Shotgun Start – 4 person Ambrose competition,

This is going to be all about having a great time with a fun farewell to another golfing year, There will be fantastic prizes with xmas ham's and meat prizes to be won, mark this on your calendar!

LADIES REPORT

18-Holers: They played for the Lilah Edgar/Acacia Stb R8

Next week They play for a trophy on closing day.

9-Holers (mixed):

Thursday: Played Stableford. 1st was Sandy with 21 Stablefords, 2nd Ellen with 20 Stablefords and 3rd Judith Bennetts with 19 Stablefords.

Next week we play secret partners and it is our closing day. Person on duty is Anne Morgan

Saturday: If you are wanting to play on Saturdays with the 9-hole Ladies please contact Tracey Bruce. tracey.bruce@cdhb.health.nz . Janet 1st with 20 Stablefords, 2nd Carly with 18 Stablefords.

Sunday: last Sunday a friendly was played. Next Sunday the course is closed

Tuesday This week they played best Nett .1st Leigh with Nett 35, 2nd Judith Wilson with Nett 36 and 3rd Micheal Healey also with Nett 36

Next week we play stablefords. Duty person is Judith Bennetts

General News:

Ladies Closing Day, November 27th.

18 Hole ladies will tee off at 9am and will be playing for the McKenzie Trophy.

9 Holes will tee off at 11am and play stablefords and secret partners.

Before Lunch we will have the presentations related to the game of the day

Lunch, \$10 from the Café. 1 plate of food with a sandwich, + savoury, and sweet items

AGM- There is a notice in the lady's locker room for nominations for the Ladies committee.

Please give this some consideration. Without a committee we are unable to do any planning for the Ladies section.

Annual Prizegiving

There will be a money raffle. \$2 a ticket or 3 for \$5.

Hamper Day Dec 13th. The ladies are putting together a basket of goodies to raffle. Can everyone Please bring items that can go into the basket. No Alcohol. I will leave a box in the lady's office for items to be put in there.

Mixed 9-Hole Club Championship – Today the plate for Division 1 was played and the winner was Janice McPhail.

Canterbury Golf Ringers Tournament.

We have 3 ladies representing Coringa next Monday the 24th at Templeton. Firstly Mandy Son 18 Holer playing in Silver and teeing off tee 10 at 10am, Suzannah Kim playing in Bronze, Teeing off tee 4 at 10 am. Leigh McKewen 9 Holer teeing off no 1 tee at 12.16. All the best to all of you.

Tournaments:

DON'T FORGET TO LOOK AT THE NOICE BOARD AT THE BOTTOM OF THE STAIRS IN THE CLUB HOUSE

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.

18 Hole Tournaments and 9 Hole Tournaments

Anne Morgan Ladies Club Captain

MENS REPORT

This Saturday 22nd November.

A Stableford competition off the Blue / White tees,

Last Saturday 15th November.

THE GOLF WAREHOUSE / MITRE 10 PAPANUI / PETER TIMBS, - AGM Tournament

A huge thank you to these companies who sponsored our day today.

Wow, what a day,

After a very good AGM meeting, everyone was looking forward to a great day of golf.

The weather started out beautifully, but towards the end of the round, we got hit with a brief but wild thunderstorm,

There were a number of fabulous individual performances out there, with the highlight of the day coming from Jacky Zhang, when he made a “hole in one” on hole 17, congratulations Jacky, what a marvelous achievement.

I mentioned last week about Oli Taylor being good luck to his playing partners, well this week Oli proved he can play golf as well, firing a personal best score, with 44pts, and in doing so his contribution helped to elevate his team into first place.

Other great individual scores, Jack Fuye Li 43pts, Mandy Son 42pts, Robert Pryce 41pts, Jacky Zhang 40pts.

Team scoring was very close, but ultimately one group out shone all others, see results below,

Thank you to David Harvey for organising all the prizes, and thank you to all of you who participated in a very fun event.



HOLE IN ONE

Congratulations Jacky Zhang

17th Hole.

Results. Team Stableford

1 st Mitre 10 vouchers	Olsens Outlaws	R Kingsbury, P Olsen, O Taylor K King	91
2 nd Golf Warehouse vouchers	It could be worse	M Newburn, R MacAskill, L Smith, S Satherley	88
3 rd Golf Warehouse vouchers	D.A.M.P rising	D Harvey, A Smith, M Homan, P Cottrell	86
4 th Golf Warehouse vouchers	Baywatch	J McKay, W Gin, R Pryce, A Mercer	84
5 th Golf Warehouse vouchers	60 over / 1 under	K Stevens, B Stringer, O Snape, B Docherty	84
6 th Peter Timbs vouchers	Beauty & the Beast	P Hansen, G Miller, M Son, J Matthews	83

Nett Eagle Hole (12)

Not Struck

Birdie Hole (6)

John Deacon, Olly Snape

Nearest to pins

Robert Pryce 5, John Hillary 7, Tim Donaldson 13, Jacky Zhang 17.

2's Jackpot

John Gaw, 13, 17

2's

John Gaw 13,17, John Hillary 7, John Deacon 7, Mandy Son 7, Jack Fuye Li 17

WEDNESDAY

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

We had our middle Wednesday tournament this week with 29 participants on **Wednesday 19th November** with prizes from our friends at **'New World Bishopdale'** and closest to pins purchased through **Hancocks**.

The greens were rolling very nicely and the course looking a picture. For the first time in a while all scores lost a shot under the PCC calculation, so the course must have been playing easy. In Division One ten out of the 15 played to handicap and in division two only three played to handicap. That will be why one of our members wanted me to change the divisions split to a single division. Ah the pressures a volunteer organiser gets put under! Have a look and see who got eighth in one of those divisions and would have picked up a prize? Haha.

In Division One Richard Kingsbury hit a 74 and 41 stablefords from Paul Snape on 40. John Rademakers shot the best score of the day with a great 70 off the stick. I think shot either his age or under, so 39 stablefords and Geoff Miller continues his good form also on 39. My golly he must be due a good cut as I imagine 'Mr Competitive' Walter Scott must be getting sick of buying the Lotto. In Division Two Charlie Su a new member won with 40 stablefords from Lindsay Thorne on 39 also due a good cut.

Coringa members results.

Division One: (Less than 13.7)

1st.	Richard Kingsbury	41
2rd.	Paul Snape.	40
3rd.	John Rademakers.	39(C/B)
4th.	Geoff Miller.	39
5th.	Brian Docherty.	38(C/B)

Division Two: (13.8 plus)

1st.	Charlie Su.	40
2rd.	Lindsay Thorn.	39
4th.	Michael J Smith.	35
5th.	Doug Hillstead.	34(C/B)

Hancocks closest to pin competition.

5th Hole Not played

7th Hole. Chris Innes
13th Hole. Not played
17th Hole. Paul Hansen

One of our good members Murray Brown played to his age on Monday with an outstanding 71 off the stick. Poor old Sue would have been the cook, maitre'd and dish washer that night, while Brownie shared or responded to his good form via every electronic means known to man!

The group heads to Ellesmere next week, the 26th November

Remember if you're interested some will be at the Urban Eatery around 10 for an 11 shotgun start. For those that don't want to hit off the 6th, please tell Tracey and Sue and they will allocate you another tee block.

Christmas 'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' Tournament.

On **Wednesday 3rd of December** we will have our end of year and Christmas '**Lone Star and Joes Garage Group**' (Entry fee to be decided upon) 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**'.

Has anyone been out looking at the price of Christmas hams as yet. I'm just starting to look at getting a budget together and I'm guessing the prizes will be over a \$1000 including spot participants prizes. More information will be provided as we get closer.

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

Book yourself and your group in.

Harv

THURSDAY GOLF

On a sunny and warm morning, 17 players turn up for the Thursday Men's Golf tournament. Today's game was a stableford round off the white tees.

In first place this week was Duncan Shaw-Brown with 39 points, on countback from Tom White also on 39 points. Third place went to Peter Bailey on 37 points that would have been a lot better had he not had eleven 3 putts. That must just about be a record for the Thursday Men's Group. There were two players on 36 points, with Paul Gnad managing to grab fourth place on countback from Paul Carpinter.

There were two 2's today, Duncan Shaw-Brown on #13 and on #17, a Keith Yardley special from over 30 metres allowed him to grab the other ball for getting a two.

The most honest golfer today went to Peter (Swampy) Marsh with a well compiled 24 stableford points.

Confirmation of results:

Duncan Shaw-Brown	39
Tom White	39
Peter Bailey	37
Paul Gnad	36
Paul Carpinter	36

UPCOMING EVENTS

4th December – Jerry Attick Trophy

Jerry Attick Trophy – normal stroke round

11th December – Closing Day

Stableford round. A light lunch will be supplied and prizes for all competitors.

Bert Fifield trophy best score of the day.

Geoff Basset Trophy will be presented to the person who has the best average stableford over the year

18th December – Legends Day

This is a new day for the Thursday Men's Group, to play for a new trophy called the Legends Trophy. This trophy is being kindly donated by Doug Ames and he intends on being there to present it. How appropriate is it, that Doug is going to donate this trophy as he certainly is one of Coringa's true golf legends.

New Thursday Mens' Organiser

As mentioned earlier Phil is standing down at the end of this year and we are looking for someone to take over the role in the New Year. To date no-one has come forward and it is important we have one or two members come forward to help run the Thursday Golf. It is an important club tournament and we need your support to keep it going.

Robert Pryce

TWILIGHT GOLF

Another great turnout this week,

Top prizes tonight go to Nic Preece and Neal Shaw with 22pts, followed by Gavin Walkinshaw 21pt.

Twilight golf is every Tuesday afternoon, tee off between 5 – 5.30pm, with an awesome Burger and Chips meal afterwards,
Everyone is welcome,

And Now...

His favorite chocolate chip cookies....

An elderly man lay dying in his bed.

In death's agony, he suddenly smelled the aroma of his favorite chocolate chip cookies wafting up the stairs. He gathered his remaining strength, and lifted himself from the bed.

Leaning against the wall, he slowly made his way out of the bedroom, and with even greater effort forced himself down the stairs, gripping the railing with both hands, he crawled down the stairs.

With labored breath, he leaned against the door-frame, gazing into the kitchen. Were it not for death's agony, he would have thought himself already in heaven: there, spread out upon waxed paper on the kitchen table were literally hundreds of his favorite chocolate chip cookies.

Was it heaven? Or was it one final act of heroic love from his devoted wife, seeing to it that he left this world a happy man?

Mustering one great final effort, he threw himself toward the table, landing on his knees in a rumpled posture. His parched lips parted: the wondrous taste of the cookie was already in his mouth, seemingly bringing him back to life.

The aged and withered hand trembled on its way to a cookie at the edge of the table, when it was suddenly smacked with a spatula by his wife.

"Stay out of those," she said, "they're for the funeral."

MEMBERS CORNER

I would like to say how wonderful it was to see so many members at our AGM on Saturday, It was a full house, and a really nice opportunity to see some of our long serving members who we don't get to see a lot of anymore, It's always a treat for us to see our club patron, Margaret Sheppard, and our life members Max Milesi, and John Banks,
Also really nice to see Doug Ames back out at the club,

The worst videographer in the world.

One of the best things about our AGM tournament, was the random draw, and on Saturday I got the chance to play with two people I had never played with before,
Priscilla Moon, and Darci Brown, what a talented young golfer Darci is, and at just 10yrs old I can only imagine the level of golf he will be playing when he gets bigger and stronger.

My group only had 5 holes left to play when the thunderstorm struck the course, first the rain came, and then the thunder,

We had just got to the 4th green and were getting ready to putt out, when the sky fully opened up and hail started to cover the green.

Some of us were a little bit annoyed, how am I going to hole my putt with all of this rubbish in my way?

But one of our group thought it was an amazing sight, seeing the green covered in hail, right as I was looking for shelter Priscilla brought me her phone and asked me to take a video of her putting on the green, so I did,

I stood there getting absolutely soaked, all in order to get great video footage of the action.

When I thought I had enough footage, I stopped the video, and took shelter,

Later in the clubhouse, Priscilla was intently looking through the video footage, and I was wondering why she was laughing, and finally she burst out saying – “you are the worst videographer”,

What??? I thought I took an awesome video.

When she showed me, I had to laugh too,

When I took the video I thought she handed me the phone already recording, so the whole time I was standing there getting wet and watching through the camera, the camera was not recording anything, it only recorded when I pushed the stop button, - yes I am the worst!!

**NASA: We need you to find
water on Mars**

Me: Consider it done...



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