



Coringa News



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Kia Ora

SATURDAY'S MATCH

This Saturday the match of the day is a Stableford competition off the Blue tees.

It is also another round for the Shootout. So far 42 have entered in the Shootout so we are looking for more entrants, then we can guarantee a 13-man final. At present we need another 5 – 6 to do this. If you have forgotten to put your name down, do so asap so as many of your scores as possible can be counted.

Last week's raffle winners:

Mel Newburn (23 & 32); Max Milesi (42); Philippe Lyonnais (47); Robbie Chisholm (13).

The proposed programme until the end of April is:

March	20	Sat	Stableford – Blue tees Shootout
	21	Sun	Sunday – Members Golf
	22	Mon	Ladies – Interclub Avondale
	23	Tue	Ladies – Stableford Foursomes (Rose Bowl). Contract Construction -9-Hole Tournament – Course closed from 1pm to 3:30pm Twilight
	24	Wed	Bartercard Tournament – Course closed from 12pm. Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	25	Thu	Ladies – L G U Men's Group – Stableford - White tees
	27	Sat	Par – Black / White tees Shootout Match Committee meeting at 9:30am.
	28	Sun	Sunday – Members Golf
	30	Tues	Ladies – Stableford / Hidden Partners TWILIGHT FINAL NIGHT (More about this next week)
	31	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White tees -11:00am start - \$10 entry fee.

April	1	Thu	Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men’s Group – Stroke -Jerry Attick Trophy - Yellow tees.
	2	Fri	Good Friday (Easter Weekend)
	3	Sat	Stroke – Blue tees Shootout
	4	Sun	Sunday – Members Golf
	6	Tue	Ladies – Val Sutherland
	7	Wed	Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees – 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.)
	8	Thu	Ladies – Stableford Trophy Men’s Group – Stableford - White tees
	10	Sat	Stroke – White tees. (Kornz Trophy match play with Alpha Group after midday) Vets Cup 4th round Shootout.
	11	Sun	Sunday – Members Golf
	12	Mon	Ladies 0 Interclub Pegasus
	13	Tue	Ladies – Stableford NTP
	14	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	15	Thu	Ladies - LGU Men’s Group –Par - Yellow tees
	17	Sat	CORINGA OPEN – 18 holes off Blue tees [Gross and Nett.] Shootout
	18	Sun	Sunday – Members Golf
	19	Mon	Ladies – Interclub Templeton
	20	Tue	Ladies – Best Nett Trophy / NTP
	21	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	22	Thu	Ladies – Fun Game TBA Men’s Group - Stableford – Yellow Tees
	24	Sat	Stroke – Blue / White tees Vets Cup 5th and final round Shootout
	25	Sun	Anzac Day Sunday – Members Golf
	27	Tue	Ladies – Stableford Foursomes (Rose Bowl)
	29	Thur	Ladies – Stableford Foursomes (Rose Bowl) Men’s Group – Team Stableford - White tees

CLUB NEWS

New Members

We welcome the following new member this week:

Alham Jeong

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.

Clubhouse Renovation

Next week renovation begins on the Clubhouse. It is exciting that we have got ourselves into a situation where we can now look at significant improvements to the exterior and interior looks of our space.

While some of the work is specialist in nature and we will have to pay for that, there is plenty that we can do as members that will save money and allow us to do more.

Scaffolding will be put in place next week so that the new butynol surfaces on the roof can be completed in the week before Easter.

Have your say!

A decision needs to be made on what colour we want the outside of the Clubhouse to be.

Everything that is dark green at present will be painted. That is fascia boards, window frames, external stair handrails, timber cladding, etc. Help us decide what the colour should be. Upstairs in the Clubhouse are some colour charts to look at and a sheet of paper for recording your ideas. Please help us and have an input. We had about five votes for hot pink from the Thursday Men.

We'll need more recommendations to avoid that option. 😊

Please share some thoughts with others as you play golf and take a few minutes to add suggestions to the sheet upstairs. A decision will need to be made next Thursday 25 March so you have until then. Any other thoughts, comments, or suggestions could be emailed to

board@coringagolfclub.co.nz

Help Needed:

Once the scaffolding is in place cleaning and preparation of the surfaces will be done on **Friday 26 March**. It will be a 9.00am to 4.00pm day but even members who can give help for a couple of hours in the morning or afternoon will be welcomed. We will be water blasting, sweeping, removing metal trims, preparing fascia boards for painting, etc

We hope to begin painting the fascia boards on **Monday 29 March** and this will be another full day where helpers can contribute for as long as they can.

Painting in the house rental will continue next week also with helpers needed Tuesday morning. We've made good progress over the last week or two and hope to have the house on the market by the end of this month. If anyone is interested in renting the house let us know.

Distance Markers / Ball Washers

The new distance markers are being installed on the course this week – keep an eye for the them as you go around – lovely and bright !! Thanks again to all of you who so generously contributed.

We have three new ball washers also on order. This week we had another generous donation of \$100 from Elaine and Russell McGowan (thank you very much). We are now just over halfway there with the ball washers so if anyone else wants to contribute maybe talk to Barry or Derrick in the Pro Shop

Also Barry said its no problem for those that would like to use the credit on their Coringa membership cards to contribute – he can transfer value from your cards to the Club for the ball washers.

Course

The greens continue their remarkable recovery from coring. Rohan has sprayed for some of the insects that were leaving their dirt mounds on the greens and so these should be largely gone now. There is a little bit of disease in a couple of greens which he is also keeping under control

and there will also be some spraying of weeds etc over the next couple of weeks so just keep an eye out for this (there will be signs up on the 1st tee if there is anything on the course you need to be aware of).

Eagles raffle

Max Milesi has just put up a couple of posters re Eagles raffles. Support Max and the Eagles – its for a good cause (Junior golf development) and Max was telling me about all the good work that the Eagles golf organisation does – they have raised over \$5m for charity over the years!!

THE MEN'S REPORT

This Saturday, the 20th of March, is a Stableford competition off the Blue tees, and there should be some great memories out there particularly within our senior golfers' community. Hopefully, I don't hear too many complains again this week!

Last Saturday, the 13th of March, saw 84 individuals entering the 4BBB Nett match of the day off the White tees on ever improving greens. Saturdays outstanding scores came from Daniel and John Wilson with a Net 60 from Scotty Ward and Richard Pelling with 63 on count back from Philippe Lyonnais and Seamus O'Cromtha. Well played guys and it was great to see John Brettell name back in the prizes again. No raffle though JB. Sorry about that! Good to see Jimmy Anderson score a '4' on #9 for a great nett eagle. Well done, Jummy!

The Jackpot was not struck. The Nett Eagle was again on hole #14 and was won by Albert Yee, a nice figure of \$33. Richard Kingsbury picked up the birdie hole #13 and it was very close to a hole in one finishing a foot or so from the pin. Well played Richard, and a maximum pay out of \$100, which leaves a pool of \$126 still available.

Meat/ Wine/ Raffle Prizes:

There are a number of 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:

Kornz Cup - Saturday 10 April from 11.30 am.

Coringa Open - Saturday 17 April - Shotgun start at 10.30 am.

Coringa Open

A sub-committee within the Match committee has been working through a revised version of the Coringa Open. This time off the Blue tee blocks and a Saturday shot gun start. The hope is to attract 100 to 120 participants. The subcommittee has received sponsorship at this stage from our friends at the **Lone Star and Joes Garage Group, New World Bishopdale**, and **Placemakers**. As it stands there will be in excess of \$2000 worth of prizes, for what will be two or three divisions, plus a closest to the pins, sponsored by **Placemakers**.

Bishopdale New World will also be putting on a sausage sizzle! I am looking for a tent to put between the 9th green and 10th tee block. Is there anyone that could supply one?

Put the date down and pay to guarantee entry on the sheet in the Pro Shop, as I have a feeling the field may be fill fast. The goal for the Match Committee is to get members to invite guests to play. Book your two or four!

I will update on the numbers who have expressed an interest within next week's Newsletter.

Lastly, we are still looking for members to assist with prizes or who know firms or a friend who may be interested in sponsoring a hole for the day with either product or services or vouchers, could you let me know?

Closest to the Pin:

Previous week (13 March)

Paul Carpinter

This week (20 March)

Chris Cottrell (Gold Band Taxis)

Following Week (27 March)

Maurice Owen

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

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.

Match Committee Meeting:

Upcoming Match Committee meeting 9.30 am on Saturday 27th March.

If anyone has any issues they wish discussed please bring the issues to the committee members Chris Cottrell, Vance Heteraka, James Willetts, John Brettell, John Matthews, Puds or my attention.

Golf Club Marketing:

A few members have raised with me the issue of a member (Some call him the **Professional** and others the **Overstayer**) marketing golf clubs and unrealistic expectations of the value of the product! I have referred the matter to the board and I agree with the board's sentiments that there is a definite potential source of income the club!

Membership Welfare:

Ian Carruthers (Ex Super)

Ian has had a second minor stroke over the last few months and been at home. I have visited him and hopes to be back at work and playing again soon. I know Ian would enjoy a call on his cell 021 383996 or a visit.

Shootout

Shootout scores will not now be sent out with the newsletter as they are updated each week on the website. Thanks, Gordy!

Get out there and enjoy an ever-improving course.

News from the Deep South Golf Trip

'Apparently' on the trip, through the Crown Range, that speedy golfer Terry Hampton received a substantial fine after his Lexus was found to be travelling too fast when observed by the Police. Hope the fine will be enough to slow Terry down a bit on the course! Also 'apparently' Kevin Walker parked his cart with clubs on the left-hand side of the 16th hole at Tolarahi Golf Club near Dansies Pass, North Otago. He heard Puds' call and looked up immediately, to see they were slowly increasing in speed – off downhill! His best efforts only increased the cart's pace and down the hill, into the fence, onto the road it went. Poor Kev picked everything up but forgot the most important thing – Harv's card! The lesson to remind us all is when you stop – use the brake! The effort of all this didn't stop him winning the 'split sixes!!

David Harvey

Men's Captain

THE LADIES REPORT

Wanting to enter tournaments at other clubs? Make sure you contact Leigh McEwen either by email (leigh72mcewen@icloud.com) or TXT (274340872). Just putting your name on the notice board in the ladies' cloak room, you may find it will get missed.

Marjorie has had her hip operation and is now home and doing well. Good to see Padma back and hear her grandson is recovering well.

We still have a few ladies on the injury list, hope to see them all back at golf very soon.

Easter Raffle.

Elaine is putting together the goodies everyone donated for the Easter raffle. Thank you for your contributions. Tickets will be \$2 so Ladies and Men bring along your loose change to buy tickets from next Tuesday



Saturday Golf-

Every Saturday a group of ladies play around 9am.-9.30 am. Last week six people played. Faye Beckingsale won with 19 Stablefords, second was Anne Morgan with 18 Stablefords and third Myra Story with 17 Stablefords. The game was followed by lunch to celebrate Faye's birthday, even though we are a month late!

Next week (the 20th of March) tee times are 9.12 and 9.18



Sunday

On Sunday there were seven players. The Sunday golfers tee off 10.30 -1045. It was perfect weather for golf. No wind, just enough cloud cover to stop it from being too hot. 1st was Anne Morgan with 20 Stablefords and 2nd equal Faye and Janet with 17 Stablefords. Next Sunday (21st of March) tee off is 10.30am.

Tuesday-

We enjoyed another good morning with eight ladies arriving to play a Stableford game.' First was Sandy Dermott with 22 Stablefords, on a countback was Janet Harland 19 Stablefords, and Joy McKelvey 19 Stablefords.

Thursday.

Four ladies played their Rose bowl competition games. Today's winners were Janice McPhail and Leigh McEwen. Seven others played a stableford game with some very high scores. Winner was Judith Wilson with 24 stablefords, second was Anne Morgan with 22 stablefords and third was Elaine McGowan on a countback with 20 stablefords. Longest Drive was Judith Wilson

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

Anne Morgan

INTERCLUB

Metro B:

The final round robin match resulted in a draw (4 – 4) v, Harewood at Waimairi Beach. This means the team finished in 2nd place (on a countback of games won), and they will play Bottle Lake in the semi-final on the 11th of April at a venue yet to be announced.

Good luck to Scott and the team – bring the trophy home!

Presidents:

The next round is an away match at Christchurch on 28th of March with lobbying already beginning for spots on the team. Practice hard lads and let us see who deserves a place. With three rounds remaining the team sit in third place, one point behind McLean's Island, but some distance away from leaders Templeton.

WEDNESDAY GOLF

Wednesday Watering Tournament:

On Wednesday 17th March we had our \$10 mid-month Tournament, with participants playing for eight meat prizes from **New World Bishopdale**, plus two closest to the pins. The 27 participants enjoyed perfect autumn weather on a fantastic golf course.

Thanks to John Matthews who managed the tournament in Dave Harvey's absence.

Again, the results are on the website, but a summary of notable results follows:

3 rd	David Stead	39
5 th	Jim Anderson	37 c/b
6 th	John Matthews	37
7 th	Paul Carpinter	36
8 th	Peter Bailey	35 c/b

Nearest the Pin: #5 Geoff Miller #13 Paul Carpinter

Twos: #13 Paul Carpinter #17 Joseph Lim

Next week is the Ellesmere Watering Tournament, (meet there at 10:30am), and the following week, the 31st of March, will be an additional Wednesday (\$10) Tournament as it is the fifth Wednesday in the month.

THURSDAY MEN'S GROUP

We had a good field of 30 on a perfect morning for golf (Damn! - no excuses for the weather) and played a Multiple Par off the yellow tees. (Multiple Par simply means you get rewarded for a nett eagle) The usual suspects featured in the prize money under this format and winners were as follows:

1 st	Brian Payne	+6 (A nett 67 and 90 'off the stick' – well done!
2 nd	Jerry Kuipers	+4
3 rd	Jim Anderson	+4
4 th	Keith Yardley	+4
5 th	Allan Harrison	+3
6 th	John McCabe	+3
7 th	Paul Gnad	+3

You can see what I mean by the usual suspects and if I could get in the handicappers ear change would be afoot! An excellent day only ruined by the golf in some cases, and we look forward to another good field and a fine day next week. Good golfing.

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men

TWILIGHT GOLF

On another lovely evening 30 starters enjoyed the Twilight golf this week.

Results:

1 st	Regan Bentley	Flexiclub	23
2 nd	Scott Ward	Coringa	21 by Lot
3 rd	Harry Pihere	Coringa	21
4 th	Tracey Bruce	Coringa	19 by Lot
5 th	Daniel Wilson	Coringa	19 by lot
6 th	Mark Searle	Coringa	19 by lot
7 th	Dominic Neill	Coringa	19 by lot
8 th	Hugo Pow	Kaiapoi	19 by Lot
9 th	John Maasch	Coringa	19
10 th	David Lee	Coringa	18 by Lot
11 th	Gordon McCoy	Coringa	18 by Lot
12 th	Elaine McGowan	Coringa	17 by lot
13 th	Anne Morgan	Coringa	17 by Lot

The current standings for those that have completed 10 rounds or more, are on the website. We are now into autumn and there are two planned Twilight evenings to go. Make the most of the wonderful evenings we are experiencing at present.

CONGRATULATIONS



AND NOW

Police Emergency

This is the true story of George Phillips of Meridian, Mississippi, who was going to bed when his wife told him that he'd left the light on in the shed. George opened the door to go turn off the light but saw there were people in the shed in the process of stealing things.

He immediately phoned the police, who asked, "Is someone in your house?" and George said no and explained the situation. Then they explained that all patrols were busy, and that he should simply lock his door and an officer would be there when available.

George said, "Okay," hung up, counted to 30, and phoned the police again.

"Hello, I just called you a few seconds ago because there were people in my shed. Well, you don't have to worry about them now because I've just shot them all."

Then he hung up. Within five minutes three squad cars, an Armed Response unit, and an ambulance showed up. Of course, the police caught the burglars red-handed.

One of the policemen said to George: "I thought you said that you'd shot them!"

George said, "I thought you said there was nobody!"

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

John Brettell