



Coringa News



6th November 2025

Kia Ora,

Saturday's Match

- A Par competition off the Blue / White tees for men, Yellow tees for women.
- Shootout Finale – 12.30pm

Raffle

36 Nick Frampton, 33 Jon Kemp, 44 Robbie Chisholm, 40 Phil Olsen, 3 Mandy Walsh, 60 John Haddon

Note – our raffle collection was short last week by a considerable margin of \$30

I don't believe any of our members would deliberately take this money, so I can only think it was done by accident, eg if you thought you put a \$50 note in, but it was a \$20 (it's easy to make a mistake) If you purchased a raffle on Saturday, please double check your wallet is not \$30 heavier than it should be,

Program until the end of December - 2025

November	8	Sat	Par – Blue / White Tees Shootout – Top 10 Final @12.30pm
	9	Sun	COURSE CLOSED until 1pm Christchurch Hackers Group Booking

	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 @9.30am Followed by GOLF WAREHOUSE / MITRE 10 tournament \$10 entry -Team Stableford competition. Shotgun Start
	16	Sun	Interclub Metro B – home game vs Clearwater
	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
	23	Sun	COURSE CLOSED – FOODSTUFFS TOURNAMENT 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
	6	Sat	Irish Stableford – Black / Silver Tees Summer Ringers begins
	7	Sun	Interclub
	9	Tue	Twilight
	10	Wed	Templeton Wednesday Tournament
	11	Thu	Men; Christmas Tournament – Stableford Silver Tees

	13	Sat	Christmas Hamper Day – Shotgun Start \$20 entry 4-person Team Ambrose Competition.
	14	Sun	Interclub
	16	Tue	Twilight – Final night for 2025
	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 7.2 feet – bit slower as they recover from coring.

This week I'm happy to say the course will be cut wire to wire – we are finishing the rough tomorrow.

This week was a challenging week (as they all are this time of the year). On Wednesday we got a phone call at about 1:30pm that a lot of water was coming out of the side of the hill on 6. From then, knowing that it was going to be hot we had to drop everything we are doing and dig a hole to repair the irrigation pipe. Unfortunately we had to glue a few joints, but we had the water up and running by Thursday morning. The greens were sand top dressed on Monday and then fertilized Tuesday and tomorrow (Friday) we plan to give them some wetting agent (they get a lot attention this time of year!!)

Tees update

The new tee on 17 is looking better every day, we are waiting on pipe to arrive, once that happens, we will install the irrigation and then they will put the topsoil on, level it and, hopefully, they are going to be hydroseeding it on Monday.

Next week – it's a short week, we will give course a cut where it needs it (some might say the rough please) and we will be tidying the few irrigation holes out on the course where we couldn't get too due to the major irrigation leak on Wednesday.

Rohan

TUESDAY WORKING GROUP

Thanks to those guys that were able to turn up today, great effort we had 14 attend the Working Bee. We had 3 guys that apologised as they had other commitments to attend to, thanks for letting us know, it does help with the planning.

We were very pleased with what we accomplished today, with Glen's help (our Firewood man is back) and his great chainsaw skills, we cut up and removed the fallen Poplar tree on the left-hand side of the 16th hole. That was a pretty big job and great to have it all cleaned up in one day. We then removed the fallen tree at the back of the 10th green.

The crew then cleared some overhanging branches inhibiting the walkway from the 17th green to the 18th tee.

The rest of the day was spent travelling the course and picking up and removing windblown debris. Mike and Murray carried on with their weed spraying programme.

Walter spent the day on a Weed Trimmer generally tidying up some scruffy areas.

Thanks again for your combined efforts!

Unless some other jobs come up, next Tuesday we will conduct tree trimming around the course.

Harv / Brian

AGM NEXT SATURDAY – 15th NOVEMBER

We should have the next batch of papers out to everyone tomorrow and hopefully get a good turn out at the AGM next Saturday.

Just a reminder that it looks like we will have a number of vacancies to fill at the AGM.

Two of our Board members (Brian Docherty and Dave Harvey) have decided to have a break and step down, so ideally, we are looking for at least one or two more Board members. Anyone who is interested can apply (or maybe have a chat with a current Board member and see what's entailed)

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Coringa to our new members

Robbins, Matthew	Jung, Sang Hee	Choi, Gi Moon	Goodman, George
Han, Jong-Woo	Heath, Robert	Jung, Young Hee	Kim, Soon
Kwon, Heung Il	Moke, Jamie	Newsome, Ashley	Pulley, Wade
Rookes, Monty	Zhuang, Bob		

SHOOTOUT

Finally – we have made it; this Saturday we will be crowning a new Shootout champion for 2025.

A huge thank you to everyone who entered and participated throughout the year,

Commiserations to those who have missed out, I know the disappointment, especially for those who were close,

Congratulations to those who made it through,

Our top qualifier honors for this year goes to Alan Wicks, who will receive a \$50 payment onto his club card. Well done Alan, there was a lot of competition for the top throughout the year, with

Spencer and John Haddon holding the top spot at various stages, and in the later part of the year it looked certain that Colin Harrison was going to get there, only to be dealt a cruel blow with Alan firing a personal best score to cement his top position late in the season.

The Top 10 are as follows **highlighted**

Alan Wicks	39.0
Colin Harrison	38.3
John Kim	37.8 eq
Wing Gin	37.8 eq
Spencer Wicks	37.7 eq
John Haddon	37.7 eq
Iain Findlater	37.6 eq
Gordon McCoy	37.6 eq
Mal Ashton	37.5
Vance Hetaraka	37.4
Murray Angus	37.3
Peter Bailey	37.0
Mandy Walsh	37.0
Harry Lim	36.9
Garry Puddy	36.8
Andy Williamson	36.7

Shootout format

We have a few first-time finalists this year, so rather than take up a lot of space here in the newsletter, I will email all the finalists to give a complete overview of how the shootout runs, We run the same format each year, so for those who have played before, you will be well aware of what we do,

Shootout Master – this year will be Garry Puddy

Start time - Report to the 1st tee by 12.30pm - there will be a quick briefing, and play will begin as soon as the Alpha Group has teed off.

Note, you may play in the morning, so long as you arrive at the first tee by 12.30pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

We have a busy month coming up at the course, here are some of the things to look out for,

- **Sunday 9th November – Christchurch Hackers** - Course Closed until 1.30pm
- **Friday 14th November – Canterbury Anniversary Day** – Public Holiday – Course open
- **Saturday 15th November – AGM**– 9.30am with golf to follow.
 - Golf Warehouse / Mitre 10 Tournament

- \$10 entry – random draw – Shotgun start
- Team Stableford competition.
- Prizes sponsored by Golf Warehouse and Mitre 10.
- **Sunday 23rd November – Foodstuffs** – Course closed.
- **Saturday 29th November – State of Origin** – Crusaders vs Highlanders.
- **Saturday 13th December – Christmas Hamper Day**, - Shotgun Start – 4 person Ambrose competition,

INTERCLUB

Presidents

Sunday 2nd the team played away to Rawhiti. Not as good a result as we'd hoped for, going down 2.5 to 5.5. Winners on the day were Steve Satherley and Llyod Bell. Jason Wu got us the half point. The only real chance of winning seemed to be in the clubhouse raffles. Barry Stringer won one but the headline act was Steve Satherley winning all three prizes in one of the draws. Nice one Steve.

Our next match is at home with Russley on November 30th.

David Cross

Blank Cup – rounds 8 and 9

The team played the final 2 rounds of the round robin on Sunday at Bottle Lake which was in fantastic order. We needed at least 1 win to make the semi finals. I am most happy to report that they won both matches to finish the round robin in 3rd place.

The morning round was against Christchurch who we managed to beat 7 games to 1. We had 3 of our selected players unavailable to play this round. SO, with 3 reserves playing this was an outstanding result.

Winners Peter Buckley, Woo Bong Kim, Gus Borren, Mike Boshoff, Spencer Wicks. Jason McCauley and Jake Hodgson.

Of Special note Spencer Wicks holed in 1 on the par 3 13th. Once I told Dutchie this he replied that's a win for Spencer. But like the professional sportsman Dutchie is he also had a side bet with Spencer that if he won he would put some money on his Coringa club card to help with the hole in 1 shout. I neglected to tell Spencer about this until after the round. Well done Spencer.

This win guaranteed us a place in the semifinals, and it took the pressure off for the next match which was against Clearwater.

This match result was a 6/2 victory. Winners ... Peter Buckley, Woo Bong Kim, Gilbert Mckinnon, Gus Borren, Mike Boshoff and S. Y. Park.

Throughout the round robin 9 matches we only had the selected team play 1 match.

Just like the All Blacks say the strength of the team is the players on the park plus your reserves bench. All 3 of ours had wins on Sunday which shows the strength of our players representing the club.

On a less serious note the guys were wondering, after these results, how Dutchie could get back in the team. Luckily, he knows the selector, I think.

The semi final will be played on Sunday 9th at McLeans Island against Hororata starting at 8am. Looks like at this stage we have all players available.

DB.



Team Photo – Left to Right. DB, Spencer, Woo Bong, Jason, SY Park, Peter, Gilbert, Mike, Gus – not in pic - Jacob.

Metro A

Last Sunday, 2nd November, was round 3 for Metro A, playing away at Waitikiri. Unfortunately the team went down 7-1 with Roy and Justin picking up halves. Well played by everyone on the day however with a couple of 1 down losses and other very close matches. The team is sitting in 2nd place after two wins and one loss, and three more games to pick up points before the Christmas break.

Special mention to Andrew Mackway-Jones, who was on the 10th green for 2 shots as was his opponent. Thinking to himself, easy half or win here, he forgot to mark his ball before picking it up and had to concede the hole. Hard luck mate but there might be a rule book coming your way for Christmas.

Olly Snape

CANTERBURY MATCH PLAY

My apologies for missing this in last week's newsletter,

This grueling 5 round event was played over Labour weekend, featuring the very best golfers in Canterbury.

Coringa's James Howard playing in the Masters division had an outstanding weekend, Jamie played well during qualifying to secure No1 position, and he continued to play well throughout the next 2 days,

Coming up against very tough opponents Jamie showed his determination, going extra holes in both the semi's and the final, in both matches he managed to edge out the victory, and in doing so he adds, Canterbury Masters Match Play Champ, next to his Coringa Club Champ honors for 2025.

Congratulations Jamie, we are all very proud of you.

Congratulations to Woo Bong Kim, who also qualified and made it through to the 2nd round of match play in the masters division, I would love Woo Bong to have made it through the 2nd round as he would have come up against Jamie in the semi finals, it would be a real Coringa dog fight then, we would have to get the TAB involved and take bets.

Congratulations to you both.

View the full rundown of the tournament on the canterbury golf website,

[Click here to view full report](#)

LADIES REPORT

18-Holers: This week they played for the Jane Sharp trophy

Next week They play for the Lilah Edgar/Acacia Stb R8.

9-Holers (mixed):

Thursday: this week they played for Betty McBirdie. The Winner on CB was Janice McPhail with 20 Stablefords; 2nd was Chris with 20 stablefords and 3rd Ellen with 19 Stablefords

Next week we play Stableford. 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 . just a friendly played

Sunday: last Sunday 1st was Fay with 19 Stablefords, 2nd Ellen with 18 Stablefords. This coming Sunday the Course is closed

Tuesday This week they played for the Val Sutherland Trophy. 1st, on CB, was Micheal with 18 Stablefords, 2nd Judith Bennetts also with 18 Stablefords and 3rd Chris, once again, with 18 Stablefords.

Next week we play Best Nett. Duty person is Chris Hendry

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.

Mixed 9-Hole Club Championship. A 2nd Division game was played this week and the winner was Nic Preece

Carly Shaw is playing in Canterbury **Golfs Champion of Champions**. She plays this at Kaiapoi on Sunday the 9th of November. She tees off at 11.30 on Tee 2. If you can go and support her, that would be great.

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 8th November

Will be a Par competition off the Blue / White tees.

Last Saturday 1st November.

This week was a Stableford competition off the Black / White tees,

Best gross today went to Spencer Wicks 78 off the Black tees.

The scoring was amazing, with all of this weeks prize winners playing better than handicap.

The best of the divisions this week goes to Clinton Chase with 45pts, I know most of you must think this has to be another computer malfunction, but no I was there, Clinton played amazingly well, especially with his short game, getting up and down 7 times in the first 8 holes. I tried to put him off by

telling him, it's great you are getting up and down, but it also means you are a rubbish golfer who can't hit the green in regulation, it didn't work, he played well right to the end, and I lost count, but I would guess he had close to 13 – 15 up and downs today, I's pretty neat to watch useless golfers playing well, well done Clinton

Following very close behind was Gavin Walkinshaw 44pts, and Wing Gin on 43 pts, in total there were 12 people who had 40pts or more, crazy scoring,

Congratulations to Isaac Preece in collecting the twos jackpot this week,

Results. Stableford.

Black Tees

Sung-Gyun Hong	41
John Deacon	39
Isaac Preece	38

Div One – White

Paul Hansen	40
Youndeuk Yun	40
David Potter	39
David Harvey	39
Kevin Walker	38
Patrick Guo	38
Murray Brown	37

Div Two – White

Clinton Chase	45
Wing Gin	43
Lindsay Smith	41
Billy Nehoff-Bates	39
Hunter Liu	38
Peter Zhu	37
Charlie Su	37

Div Three White

Gavin Walkinshaw	44
Graham Sweetman	41
Bradley Drayson	41
Jung A Lee	40
Graeme Falloon	40
Wayne Te Mete	40
Andy Lee	39

Best Gross

Spencer Wicks 78

Nett Eagle Hole (1)

Mandy Walsh, Angus Mercer, Russell McGregor

Birdie Hole (15)

Paul Hansen, Tim Donaldson, Rouan Buitendag

Nearest to pins

Chris Choie 5, Wing Gin 7, David Harvey 13, Walter Scott 17.

2's Jackpot

Isaac Preece 7, 13

2's

Isaac Preece 7,13, John Deacon 7, Jonathan McKay 5, Dennis Cochrane 5, Paul Hansen 13, Ram Thapa 17, Kevin Walker 17, Walter Scott 17, Wing Gin 7, Charlie Su 7, Andy

Williamson 7, Chris Choie 13, Alton Michel 13, Trevor Lee 5,
Bradley Drayson 13, Robin Wah 17, Priscilla Moon 17

WEDNESDAY

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

We had our first Wednesday tournament of the month with 57 participants on **Wednesday 5 November** with prizes from our friends at **'The Lone Star and Joes Garage Group'** and **'New World Bishopdale'** and closest to pins purchased through **Hancocks**.

The greens were still slowish but rolling very nicely after the second or more sanding. Again I couldn't believe the scoring with a strong easterly wind and in both division one and two we paid down to 35 stablefords. We had eight prizes within each division this month.

In Division One Geoff Miller is hitting the ball so well and won with the top score of the day with 39 and Gavin Walkinshaw a new member won Division Two with 38.

Coringa members results.

Division One: (Less than 18.0)

1st.	Geoff Miller.	39
2rd.	Terry Hampton.	38
3rd.	Lindsay Smith.	37(C/B)
5th.	Wing Gin.	37(C/B)
6th.	David Harvey.	36(C/B)
7th.	Walter Scott .	36

Division Two: (18.1 plus)

1st.	Gavin Walkinshaw.	38
3rd.	Tina Park	37
8th.	Lindsay Thorn.	35

Hancocks closest to pin competition.

5th Hole	Jim Jaques
7th Hole.	Gary MCGill
13th Hole.	John Harwood
17th Hole.	Paul Wilson

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

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 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**' (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' to participate within the tournament.

Book yourself and your group in.

Harv

And Now...

- **Good News**

A woman phones up her husband at work for a chat...

Says He: "I'm sorry honey but I'm up to my neck in work today"

Says She: "But I've got some good news and some bad news for you dear."

Says He: "OK darling, but since I've got no time now, just give me the good news, OK?"

Says She: "Well, the air bag works..."

- **A pain in the leg**

An old man goes to his doctor, complaining about a pain in his leg that doesn't heal, and wants a diagnosis and explanation. The doctor checks out his leg, but can't find anything wrong, so he gives the old guy a full physical exam, and still can't come up with any possible explanation for the pain.

The doctor hands the patient his bill and says, "I'm sorry, but the pain in your leg is simply caused by old age; there's nothing I can do about it."

The old man replies with a look of disbelief, "That's impossible! That can't be!"

The Doctor says, "What do you mean? I'm the expert here; if you know so much, how can you

say it's NOT old age?"

The patient answers, "I'm no doctor but it doesn't take a medical degree to tell that your diagnosis is wrong. Clearly you're mistaken. After all, my other leg feels just fine."

"So what?" says the doctor "What difference does that make?"

"Well it doesn't hurt a bit, and it's the SAME AGE!"

MEMBERS CORNER

RULES Question – What happens if I pick my ball up without marking it first?

After reading about Andrew's mishap at Waitikiri (See Metro A report), I thought this was a very unusual situation, but I'm sure it can easily happen if you are distracted, or just focused on something else, I'm sure Andrew would have only been thinking about holing his eagle putt.

There are two answers to this rule,

- In general, picking up your ball without marking it first incurs a one shot penalty, this is the same in stroke play and match play, and could happen anywhere, ie clean and place on the fairway, or marking it on the green. So for Andrew this error was not an automatic loss of hole, rather a one shot penalty, and the ball must be played from where it originally lay, (or close as possible to estimate), so he could still have had a putt for birdie.
- In match play if there is a genuine misunderstanding, for example you opponents says "that's good" you think he means you can pick up, but he/she means, "that's a good chip", in this case where there was an obvious chance of misunderstanding, there is no penalty, you simply replace the ball on its original spot, or as near as possible to estimate.



Congratulations Spencer Wicks

Hole In One

Bottle Lake – hole 13

What an awesome achievement while playing in an interclub match, I hope you won the hole Spencer?

I'm sure somewhere in the world, a hole has been halved with hole in ones, would be kinda dumb and funny at the same time.



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