



16th February 2023

Kia ora

Saturday's Match

- This week's match is an Irish Stableford round off the Blue tees for men, and Yellow tees for women. 1st 6 holes = normal Stableford points, 2nd 6 holes = double Stableford points, Final 6 holes = triple Stableford points
- Foley cup Final
- SHOOTOUT for 2023 has begun see below for more information

Raffle Winners

Robbie Chisolm (45); Dennis Cochrane (56); John Brettell (7); Vance Hetaraka (35); Charlie Longley (52); Nick Frampton (26);

The program until the end of March 2023

| February | 18 | Sat | Irish Stableford – Blue tees |
|----------|----|-----|----------------------------------|
| | | | Final Foley cup |
| | | | Summer ringers |
| | | | Shootout |
| | 20 | Mon | Ladies; Interclub - Christchurch |
| | 21 | Tue | Ladies; Best Nett Trophy |
| | | | Twilight |
| | 22 | Wed | Ellesmere Watering Tournament |
| | 23 | Thu | Ladies; Stableford / Putting |
| | | | Men – Stableford – White tees |
| | 25 | Sat | Stroke – Black / White tees |
| | | | Vets Cup 3rd round |

| | | | Summer Ringers |
|-------|-----|-----------|---|
| | | | Shootout |
| | 27 | Mon | Ladies; Interclub - Avondale |
| | 28 | Tue | Ladies; 4 clubs + putter Twilight |
| March | 1 | Wed | Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT |
| | | | - Stableford – White tees |
| | | | 10.30am start (\$15 entry fee.) |
| | 2 | Thu | Ladies: Betty McBirdie |
| | | 0.1 | Men: Stroke – Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees. |
| | 4 | Sat | American Stableford – Blue tees |
| | | | Random Drawn fours after 10.30am |
| | | | Shootout |
| | 6 | Mon | Summer ringers Coring this week – Course closed |
| | 0 | IVIOIT | Ladies Interclub - Russley |
| | 7 | Tues | Coring this week – Course closed |
| | 8 | Wed | Coring this week – Course closed |
| | | VVCG | Templeton Wednesday Tournament |
| | 9 | Thu | Coring this week – Course closed |
| | 11 | Sat | 4BBB Nett – White Tees |
| | ' ' | Out | Shootout |
| | | | Summer Ringers - Final day |
| | 14 | Tue | Ladies: Best Nett Trophy (Foursomes Rosebowl) |
| | | | Twilight |
| | 15 | Wed | Wednesday Tournament – Stableford – Silver tees |
| | | | - 11.00am start - \$10 entry fee. |
| | 16 | Thu | Ladies: Stableford Trophy / LD |
| | | | Men: Par – Yellow tees |
| | 18 | Sat | Stableford – Blue / Silver tees |
| | | | Shootout |
| | 20 | Mon | Ladies: Interclub - Templeton |
| | 21 | Tue | Ladies: Stableford (Foursomes Rosebowl) |
| | | | Twilight |
| | 22 | Wed | Ellesmere Wednesday Tournament |
| | 23 | Thu | Ladies: LGU |
| | | | Men: Stableford – Yellow tees |
| | 25 | Sat | Par – Black / Silver tees |
| | 07 | N / | Shootout |
| | 27 | Mon | Ladies: Interclub - Amberley |
| | 28 | Tues | Ladies Stableford / Hidden Partners |
| | 20 | \\\ c = 1 | Twilight - Final Night |
| | 29 | Wed | WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White tees |
| | 20 | Thu | - 11.00am start - \$10 entry fee |
| | 30 | Thu | Ladies: Stableford / Putting Mon: Irich Stableford - Vollow toos |
| | | <u> </u> | Men: Irish Stableford – Yellow tees. |

COURSE NEWS

There is a bit going on – like the weather this week!!

The course received 20mm of much needed rain over Wednesday (we'd only had 24mm in the six weeks since the start of the year) so this has been great.

Overall, everything is looking good other than an unsightly sludge patch by the side of the 4th white / yellow tee block. Rohan has plans for this but first needs to put in a proper drain to deal with it (the water just collects in the hollows there). We are just waiting for some machinery to come available to help him do this.

Otherwise, the main focus now is on getting organized for the coring on the 6th March. We just got approval of a grant for the coring sand from Kiwi Gaming Foundation (great supporters of the Club), so the sand is on order and all set to go as long as the weather plays its part

The Tuesday crew were busy this week – Paul Snape was out with his water blaster clearing cobwebs around the clubrooms, with spider proofing coming next, Alan Smith and Phil Olsen did great work tidying up the gardens around the clubrooms while Mike Smith and Brian Doherty mowed around the tee boxes.



Kev Walker and Barry Neilson put together the new seats which finally arrived (one more outdoor seat by the Pro Shop and a picnic table / seat by the 10th tee). The seat by the 10th tee in particular looks great and we hope will get a lot of use (we had a broken-down wooden table there that was past it best).

The team also put repaired one of the seats donated by the Lions over 20 years ago – it looks amazing and there for all to use by the side of the 9th tee.

There is a very similar seat by the 3rd tee which has been taken off site to get the same treatment.



Trees

The first crop of native trees planted late last year (behind the 10th green and to the side of the 9th fairway / 11th tee block) are slowly establishing themselves. They aren't very visible at the moment with the weeds etc but they are doing well. We monitor them regularly and beat back any weeds that threaten to choke off their sunlight.

Below are photos of a couple of the trees – a Kowhai and a Ribbonwood both in the area to the left of the 9th fairway.

The next big planting will be to the left of the 4th fairway. We've recently sprayed all the weeds and will do more preparation before planting some 300+ plants in April (we have the plants on order from Trees for Canterbury)



Kowhai Ribbonwood

CLUB NEWS

The Board meet on Monday – always plenty to discuss but, as we've been reporting, the Club is in good health, financially sound with plenty of exciting new initiatives underway.

A couple of things to share

- The Board signed off on the new Rough Mower. This is a big decision for the Club and we've spent quite a bit of time looking at the options. After working with Rohan and trialing a number models we've settled on a new John Deere Tractor and Trimax 'snake' tow behind mower combo.

The logic for this is simple – the new 64hp tractor (with detachable front end loader) can easily do some of the heavy grunt work we need around the place (including allowing us to use the new coring machine to its full potential e.g. tees, surrounds and fairways) as well as tow the new Trimax mower unit.

The Trimax is well suited for a course like ours. Its used by over 30 courses in the Sth Island (the Hills alone has two of them). We think it'll be quicker (saving fuel costs and labour time), save on R&M costs (we have spent several thousands of dollars each year keeping our current mower going), and be much more reliable (and therefore keeping on top of the rough esp in Spring and Autumn).

The total costs for the tractor and mower totals over \$100k but we had planned for this. We have applied for several grants to help with the purchase and have arranged finance to pay the remaining balance off over two years. We are confident that we can manage all of this within current budgets

The equipment has been ordered and we should see the first piece (the tractor) on the course in the next month or two. Exciting times!!!

- Another positive piece of news, **IGQ** have signed a new lease for the golf school and driving range. Their previous lease had lapsed with the COVID restrictions on international students making their business untenable, however they are now ready to get started again and have committed to a new 2 year lease (with options to extend). The Board are very happy to see IGQ up and running again and wish them all the best in re-establishing their business. They have been a great partner to the Club over the years.

CAFÉ NEWS

We meet with our local Asahi rep. We have an exciting promo planned and a new keg beer option coming but first we need your help – we need to use up the Carlsberg keg we have on tap!!

Anyone not sure what to order when you're standing at the bar – drink a pint of Carlsberg for the good of the Club.

More news on the promo and new beer options to follow.....

PRO SHOP - Derrick Xu

Derrick has decided it time to move on. Derrick ahs been with us for over 2yrs, he has been a great employee and a real asset for the Club. His last day of work is the 16th March (don't worry, Derrick is staying on as a member of the Club and we will still be able to call on his skill for interclub teams etc)

We are looking at options to fill Derrick's position but before advertising outside of the Club we were wondering if anyone within the Club would like to fill this role

It's a part time role – usually for 8hrs on a Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Club would consider either one person taking this role on in a permeant part time basis or a group of people taking the role on e.g. each month a roster is circulated, people say which days they can work and then the shifts / days are assigned. With a group of people it means there is a little more flexibility if people are away on holiday or have other commitments.

If you are interested in either role (permeant part time or as part of a rostered group), email the board@coringagolfclub.co.nz to let us know

Please note – **this is a paid role** (living wage rate) – we aren't expecting people to volunteer (but might be an easy way to earn a bit of money and maybe use it to pay next years sub)

SHOOTOUT 2023

The Shootout for 2023 has begun,

36 entries so far, with John Maasch and Gordon McCoy off to a fast start. with 40+ points Still early days, so let's see if these 2 are still there in 9 months' time.

Remember the entry money is paid back to the prize winners in November when the competition concludes.

This year-long competition has been rightly claimed as the BEST competition we run at Coringa. The competition began February 4th, and runs for the duration of the year with the final scheduled for 18th of November. It is open to ALL members, men and women, who play in the Saturday match of the day. It is a Stableford competition (irrespective of the Saturday match) and throughout the year the 10 BEST Stableford scores of each player are used to determine the top players to qualify for the final in November.

The number of qualifiers will be determined by the number of entrants.

Once you enter all you need to do is watch the weekly update on the Coringa website to follow your progress.

Entry fee for the competition is a one-off payment of \$20 and all entry fee money is allocated to the prize winners. You may enter at any time during the year, but obviously the sooner the better to give you the maximum number scores to contribute towards your personal average.

The Final: The players with the highest average for their ten best rounds compete in the final. The final is played over nine (or twelve) holes with the player with the lowest stableford score on the hole being eliminated. If there is more than one player with equal lowest score on a hole there is a SHOOTOUT (usually a chip or a putt) to determine the eliminated player.

The more entries we have the better the competition (and the higher the prize money!), so please get involved and if there are questions about the competition, please feel free to ask me or anyone who has been involved in the competition in the past.

The present holder of the FASTGLASS SHOOTOUT TROPHY is Lin Wang.

John Brettell

Shootout Convenor

New Members

It's great to see all the new faces around the club.
The latest new members to join the club are
Ethan Cooksley Hansen Hong

Grant Thomas

Do not hesitate to ask from the pro shop or any of the other members how the club functions and the different competitions we run throughout the week. Remember that you can book a tee time on Dot golf and select who you would like to play with. If you have any issues with this contact Barry in the pro shop and he will find a time for you to play. Most importantly do enjoy your time at Coringa.

REPRESENTITIVE GOLF

Over-50's Team

25+ Teams attended the final round of the Canterbury Over 50's Interclub competition at Weedons on Sunday 12th Feb. Coringa Over 50's Team emerged 2nd unable to retain their Canterbury Title. Chch GC came out deserved winners.

Qualifying Scores - John Rademakers 73 - Lin Wang 74 - Murray Brown 82. John Rademakers – Manager

NZ SENIORS OPEN

Coringa was well represented at the very popular NZ Seniors Open hosted by Chch GC and Waitikiri on 9-11 February.

Paul Hansen, Ian Donaldson, Murray Brown, David Stead, Lin Wang, John Rademakers and former Coringa members David Ball & Brent Paterson joined a field of over 230 players from around the Country (including a host of strong international players).

An amazing achievement by Brent Paterson to have secured his 4th Seniors Open title in a row, his 6th of his career.

Congratulations to all Coringa members who competed in this prestigious event.

Metro A

Coringa played McLean's at McLean's last Sunday, we had a 4.5 to 3.5 loss with wins to Kyle Charlwood, Albert Yee and Richard Kingsbury, John Gaw got an impressive half after being 5 down (wow) Kyle turned up and said he'd had a big night and beat his man 5 and 4, I went to bed early and played horribly against a guy 3 shots higher than me but I'm still not sure Kyle's approach is the right one. I really enjoyed the day and once again found the opposition to be a great bunch of guys, I'm hoping everyone else had a good day as well and I really appreciate the effort put in by the team, James Willet - manager

Metro B

Another tough assignment this week, taking on a strong Waimairi Beach team on their home course. Unfortunately, we came up short, losing 5 – 3. Waimairi have now leap-frogged us into the lead. Winners on the day, John Deacon, Andrei Cotiga, and Jon Kemp.

Commendable efforts from Olly Snape, Grant Morris, Richard Mcguire and Brian McOscar, who all came very close, but just faltered at the end. A much tougher game for Clinton playing at number 1, with his opponent shooting level par golf, a tough day for his caddy too, having to watch!!

Next up we take on Avondale at Avondale, Jon Kemp - manager

President's

This week we are hosting Rawhiti, who are currently placed 2nd in the competition. We'll be looking to advance our position in the standings, we have a home advantage but will still need to have our A game to topple a strong Rawhiti side, David Cross - Manager

SUMMER RINGERS

Round 9 of the Summer Ringers Competition was completed last Saturday under ideal fine conditions with temperatures staying in the low 20's, a far cry from the torrid conditions of the previous week.

For those that haven't yet read the latest edition of the weekly Coringa newsletter email, it showed the next couple of months golfing calendar and some of you may have noticed that Match Committee has extended the Summer Ringers to include two more rounds to compensate the rounds lost for the Ambrose Opening Day tournament and the no Match of the Day competition during the festive break. So there are four more rounds to be played with plenty of opportunities to make an impression on those ahead of you.

In **Group A**, Clinton Chase (10.711) on 55.258 holds an extended lead of 1.144 over Brian McOscar (10.567) on 56.433, with a further margin of 0.347 to Daniel Bushby (10.220) on 56.7480. The next 6 places are within 4.500 of the leader, so it will be intriguing to see what eventuates in the next few rounds.

In **Group B**, sees Kyle Charlwood (15.250) on 51.067 retain a reduced lead with a margin of 1.308 over his nearest rival Richard Maguire (14.625) on 52.375 who moved up one spot, followed by Jonathan Kemp (16.350) on 53.650. The next 10 places is separated by less than 6.000, with some with many bogeys to eliminate from their Ringers scorecard.

In **Group C**, sees John Maasch (21.917) on 49.083 overtake the lead over Robin Wah (20.188) on 51.813, with now a comfortable net margin of 2.730, followed closely by Kevin King (17.878) on 52.122 who moved up two places. The next 10 places is separated by less than 4.400 which means there's plenty of room for improvement by those in the middle of the pack.

There were an additional 20 new birdies recorded by the Ringers field, bringing the tally to date to 153, with Spencer Wicks now leading these statistics with an impressive eleven birdies, followed closely by Drew Butcher with nine birdies, Frank Young next with eight, and Clinton Chase and Kyle Charlwood both with seven birdies. At this time last year, the tally of birdies scored to date after round 9 with 43 participants was only 120, so it's a huge credit to the greenkeeping staff for how true the greens have been rolling and playing.

The long outlook forecast for this coming Saturday is not looking the best with showers and southeasterlies and a high of 20 after an overnight low of 12. Hopefully the weather forecast improves during the week to allow all players to participate and enjoy the continuing banter.

See you out there on the course and Happy Golfing.

Kevin King Ringers Organiser

MEN'S REPORT

This Saturday the 18th of February is an Irish stableford round off only the Blue tees for men and Yellow for women. If you do not know how to score the Irish Stableford, then just complete your card as normal and the computer will calculate the score for you.

Foley Cup Matchplay Semifinal round results;

Terry Hampton vs Robert Pryce Robert won James Willetts vs David Potter David won

Foley Cup Matchplay Final round;

Robert Pryce plays David Potter

Good luck to Robert and David who are playing in the final on Saturday at 10 a.m. Please remember if you want to enter the match of the day, you will need to play off the blue tees, otherwise you may by agreement play off the white tees.

Last Saturday the 11th of February was a stableford round off the dual Blue and White tees for men and yellow for women where we had 87 participated on lovely a summer day.

It was great to see the round of the day went to John Maasch who scored 42 stablefords in the white tees Division Two. John had been complaining about being so out of form, so great to see he found something. I did hear Mel saying something about John always played well with her. Perhaps her relaxed attitude rubbed off on John.

Seamus O'Gromtha won the White Tees Division One with 39. In the Blue Divisions John Deacon won Division Two with 41 and in Division One David Harvey won on 38 from Spencer Wicks, Clinton Chase and Drew Butcher all very close by on 37. Spencer Wicks picking up the gross score with a 75, but only \$13 this week. Jamie Pow picked a nice \$100 with a birdie on number 5. The Net Eagle on number 4 was picked up by four and \$8 each. The Two's jackpot was not struck.

Division One (Blue)

| 1st | David Harvey | 38 |
|-----|---------------|---------|
| 2rd | Spencer Wicks | 37(C/B) |
| 3rd | Clinton Chase | 37(C/B) |

Division Two (Blue)

| 1st | John Deacon | 41 |
|-----|--------------|----|
| 2rd | Trevor Lee . | 40 |
| 3rd | Nigel Foster | 39 |

Division Three (White)

| 1st | Seamus O'Gromtha | 39 |
|-----|------------------|---------|
| 2rd | Lex Halford | 38(C/B) |
| 3rd | Melissa Newburn | 38 |

Division Four (White)

| 1st | John Maasch | 42 |
|-----|--------------------|----|
| 2rd | Gordon McCoy | 40 |
| 3rd | Matthew Bloomfield | 38 |

Could I just remind new members that within your group match you can give players putts but if you have entered a Saturday, Wednesday or Thursday competition, at Coringa players must putt out.

Please remember that the match fees have increased by one dollar to cover the match committees decision to keep providing Hancocks wine for the closest to pin competition. There has been an increase in the number of prizes being paid out and this week there were six prizes within the three divisions. The value of the winning scores has increased slightly but we will endeavour to pay out more prizes within the divisions.

NZ Men's Senior Championship:

Wasn't it great to have so many of our members and ex members entering this tournament and doing very well, which was held at Christchurch and Waitikiri last weekend.

Coringa Leaderboard Notables;

Overal

Gross winner Brent Paterson (Gavin and Marj Paterson's son)

12th Gross David Ball 4th Net Medal (55-59) Lin Wang

6th Net Medal (65-69) John Rademakers 19th Net Medal (65-69) Paul Hansen 5th Net Medal (70 Plus) Ian Donaldson 10th Net Medal (70 Plus) David Stead

Canterbury Over 50's Interclub:

I would like to acknowledge John Rademakers performance after winning the George Turner Trophy (Best Individual Gross) throughout the Canterbury Over 50's Interclub. John's counting scores were 69, 77, 75 and 73, therefore a total of 224.

The side performed very well throughout the year although they were unable to retain the title and finished second to Christchurch.

Coringa Fundraiser and Open:

The Coringa Open and Fundraiser has moved to the 22 April this year after a booking conflict and the intention to have the green back to their normal standard after programmed coring.

I am currently working on naming sponsors for the tournament.

If there are any members who know any sponsors interested in being involved please pass onto members of the Match Committee.

Upcoming events:

18th February Final Foley Cup

- 1st March 'Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group' Watering Tournament from 10.30.

- 6th March Coring till Thursday so course closed until then

- 22rd April Coringa Fundraiser and Open

Closest to the Pin:

Weekly - Hancock Wine and Beer Merchants

Membership Welfare:

If any members knows of a member who has a health issue or need a bit of help please let me know!

Comment:

Well what a week for the poor North Island after Cyclone Gabrielle devastation and now the earthquakes in the Wellington and Masterton areas. The recovery process for the North Island will be a long term process with so many bridges damaged. Our food bowl has been so affected so I guess prices will go up. We really do seem to be dealing with many more extreme weather events! At least Christchurch missed most of the extreme weather.

Now some of you may not know but Vance is helping JB and assisting with the weekly newsletter preparation in what I call the junior editors role. Thanks very much Vance for taking some of the pressure of JB. Anyhow there was a slight mistake made in the results and the junior editor thought he had identified a few more. The email included:

(This was Vance responding to JB after he found a mistake on the results sheet)

"Oh, I've spotted more mistakes.

David Harvey on the blue tees??? Surely not by choice, he must have been bullied into it. David Harvey in first place??? This can't be the same Harv I saw yesterday, LOL"

I didn't know how to respond other than to share Vance's wisdom and journalist honesty with you all and yes Vance it was with much surprise that I playing so well twice in a week!

Let's make the most of our improving weather forecast and by Saturday hopefully a drying course to play on, so get out there and enjoy.

David Harvey - Club Captain

LADIES REPORT

Tournaments: For 9-hole ladies, can you please let Leigh know when you want to enter tournaments and she will send your entry in. leigh72mcewen@icloud.com ph0274340872. 18-hole ladies. If you want to enter any tournaments, please do this yourself. Do not forget to send in your Handicap, ID and Index number.

Ashburton -9 Hole Tournament 2023 Open to Men and Women, (Grades according to entries.) **Thursday 23rd February**, Report 9:30 am for 10:00 start. Entry \$20 Includes morning tea. (Lunch – pay your own fresh cabinet food). Entries by Monday 20th Feb to ashbourton9holers@gmail.com Inquiries: Robynne Nicoll, 027-369 3228

Russley 9-hole Men and Women's. Monday 13th March. Registration 9.30 for 10.00 tee off. Stableford &Nett competitions. Divisions subject to entries. Entries to ph358-4681. Email: Tournaments@russley.co.nz Entries close March 6th.

Everglades 9 Hole Ladies, **Thurs 16th March 2023** Men or Mixed Teams of 4 Stableford Tournament. Shotgun start at 10.00am. Morning tea provided at 9.30am. Good raffles Lunch provided. ENTRY FEE: \$20 per person, INCLUDES Twos. ENTRIES CLOSE on Monday 13th March. Contact Ladies Treasurer: Annaliisa Farrell. Phone: 0212596613 Email: ziganig@xtra.co.nz. Or Eileen

18 Holes, Handicaps 0 – 54.0 GERALDINE DISTRICT GOLF CLUB WOMEN'S TEAMS STABLEFORD **TOURNAMENT. Thursday 16 February** 2023. Own Team of 4 players, with 3 best Stablefords on each hole to count Start: 10.00 a.m. Morning Tea: 9:15 a.m. ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 per

play Includes Morning and Afternoon Tea Nearest the Pins on all Par 3's Two's \$1 extra with all money paid out. Kennedy ph. 0211654615.Email: kemmedyem@gmail.com

18 holes - Friday 17 February 2023 Waimakariri Gorge Women's Teams Stableford Tournament - 9.30 AM Tee Off TEAMS OF FOUR Best 3 of 4 scores count Closest to the Pins – Longest Drives Maximum handicap 38.1 (Course handicap 40) Great prizes, Great raffles, Great food, Great company! ENTRY FEE: \$30.00 per player ENTRIES with ID number to: Secretary Sue King email: sueking236@gmail.com Ph 03 312 4574 - 021 046 9162 Entries close Monday 13th February 2023Limited to first 30 teams' names and IDs.

18 Holes- Tai Tapu February 18TH & 19TH. Two Person Team event – MENS, WOMENS & Mixed SATURDAY SPECIAL 6's STABLEFORD. SUNDAY COMBINED STABLEFORD. ENTRY FEE \$200 per TEAM must be prepaid entries are limited. Payment can be made to Tracy at the clubhouse or to the club account 12-3191-0026310-00. CONTACT – Tracy on 329-6710 or admin@taitapugolf.co.nz. Open to financial members of affiliated clubs only (and sponsors). ENTRIES CLOSE: Tuesday 14 February 2023 Entries to: Heather Oldfield

wclubcaptain.geraldine@gmail.com Text: 027 321 3761 Please advise team name, plus all 4 player's

Hororata FRIDAY 24th February 2023 WOMEN'S Open Team Stableford and Trophy Competition Best Individual Nett 2 Grades \$30 PER PERSON INCLUDES; Morning Tea at 9.30am Shotgun Start at 10.00am - Limited to 30 teams. Entries to Trish Hicks 0272289025 or tandjhicks67@gmail.com. ENTRIES CLOSE TUESDAY 21st February 2023. Please include Handicap, ID and Index. Draw at Club house. The Cafe On The Green will be open from 9am. Food available from the Café.

Amberley "WOMEN's TEAM STABLEFORD TOURNAMENT". THURSDAY 2nd MARCH 2023. 9.15 Morning Tea 10.00am multi-tee start. Teams of 4 \$100/team - Includes 2's & Deams, NTP's. Limited to first 20 Teams. 18-Hole Players Only Maximum Course Handicap (36.6) = 40. Catering Available Entries: Kate Percy – Ph 021 1816415. Or email: amberleygolf@gmail.co Entries close Monday 27th February 2023

LINCOLN GOLF CLUB. LADIES TEAMS TOURNAMENT 18 Hole Open competition. Handicaps 0-40.4. THURSDAY, 23rd March 2023.10.00 am Start. Stableford Teams Tournament. Trophy & Prize for best Gross Score. Plus, Two's. The cost is \$80.00 for a Team of Four. Which includes Morning Tea at 9.30am Afternoon Tea provided. No carts are available for hire at Lincoln. Entries to: Marlene Morrison. Phone: 341 2140/0274 498 715. Email: marlene.m@xtra.co.nz. Entries close on Friday, 17 March 2023. Please include your Club and ID number and your Team Name.

Games played at Coringa

Thursday – Game cancelled due to the unpredictable weather. As we were supposed to play LGU we have transferred this to next Thursday instead of Stableford and putting. Next week we play LGU. Duty Person is Chris Hendry.

Saturday – a small group of players played in very pleasant conditions. They played stableford with points going towards the Saturday Ladies Stableford Trophy. 1st was Tracey with 19 Stablefords, 2nd was Myra with 18 Stablefords. Saturday tee off times are at 9.06 am and 9.12. If you wish to join in, please go to dot golf and add your name.

Sunday- Small group of dedicated players played a friendly. They played Stablefords. 1st was Janet and second Jay Tee off time next Sunday is 10.12am not 10.30.

Tuesday- unfortunately the rain kept people away. Next week playing for points towards best Nett trophy. Duty person, Myra Story

Interclub- 9-hole Interclub started for on Monday at Waitikiri. We played Rangiora. Unfortunately, we lost 65-59

General Notices.

Big Thank you to the Tuesday men's team who put some mulch on the front gardens following the weeding done by the Janet and myself. They also weeded one of the gardens not done and tidied up the hedge around the flag pole. Looks lovely and tidy out front now.

Anne Morgan, Ladies Club Captain

WEDNESDAY GOLF

'The Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group' Wednesday Watering (\$15) and Mid Month (\$10) Tournaments:

I have just received a fabulous email from 'The Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group' indicating that they will continue to sponsor these tournaments with the usual two \$50 Lone Star and two \$50 Joe's Garage vouchers each month. If anyone is interested in a good hearty meal then please remember to consider the Lone Star or Joes Garage restaurants.

The group have been outstanding sponsors for the club over the last five or six years now and thanks must go to them.

Unfortunately, on Wednesday the 15th February we were to have our **\$10** 'The Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' Watering Tournament with meat prizes from our friends at New World Bishopdale and closest to pin prizes provided by Hancocks, but I had to cancel this with the bad weather.

Next week we are out at Ellesmere for their tournament. Come out and meet up with the group for a coffee at the coffee shop opposite the Challenge Service Station or arrive at the course around 10.30. David Harvey

THURSDAY GOLF

Cancelled due to weather

TWILIGHT GOLF

A bit cooler than previous Tuesday's, and with a hint of rain threatening, our numbers were a little lower tonight, still a good field of 30 players in total,

The rain held off, and it was a beautiful evening for playing golf. Once again, the course looked and played fabulously.

Obviously better for some than others, with a couple of burglars (Andy Williamson and Malcolm Wratt) stealing top honors both with 22 points. (Andy 1st by lot.)

Sorry everyone, I lost the list for the top 5. The only other prize winner I remembered was Mandy Walsh on 20pts. (a good night for Andy and Mandy)

Twilight - Champion of Champions

Competition is heating up now (and will get hotter when you see what's on offer below!!), with several players completing their 10th game. Expect the leaderboard to change as more players complete their 10th round.

Top 5 in the standings

| Hamish Ross | 20.6 |
|---------------|------|
| Grant Morris | 19.7 |
| Paul Snape | 19 |
| Olly Snape | 17.8 |
| Andrei Cotiga | 16.6 |

Asahi Breweries Ltd have kindly donated this Titleist carry bag to be presented at the final night on Tues 28 March.



This prize is awarded to the player with the best round average over ten rounds of twilight golf.

Look out for news on what the final night's programme will be.

Everyone is welcome to attend and join in the fun!!!

I thought I had the perfect Valentines gift for my wife, A lovely romantic dinner in the beautiful setting of Coringa Golf club rooms, I even splashed out on the burger meal, She didn't seem too impressed with me??? Vance Hetaraka.

Members \$5 and Guests \$10 Good Prizes and A Burger meal to follow - \$12.50

AND NOW.

Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson were going camping. They pitched their tent under the stars and went to sleep. Sometime in the middle of the night Holmes woke Watson up and said: "Watson, look up at the sky, and tell me what you see."

Watson replied: "I see millions and millions of stars."

Holmes said: "And what do you deduce from that?"

Watson replied: "Well, if there are millions of stars, and if even a few of those have planets, it's quite likely there are some planets like Earth out there. And if there are a few planets like Earth out there, there might also be life."

And Holmes said: "Watson, you idiot, it means that somebody stole our tent."

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