



# Coringa News



29<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Kia Ora

## SATURDAY'S MATCH

This Saturday is a 4BBB nett competition off the Blue or White tees. It is the qualifying round for the Urlwin Rose bowl competition which is a 4BBB nett competition in which there are sixteen teams to qualify for 4 rounds of match play over the next four weeks. If you wish to qualify add you names to the list in the pro shop before you play on Saturday. If you are playing in a 'three', the lowest handicapped player 'teams' with both the other two for the match of the day competition.

It is the final round of the Winter Ringers competition, (see below for Kevin's report). There is also a weekly update of the Ringers and the Shootout scoring on the website.

### Last week's raffle winners:

John McCabe (28); Graham Norquay (50 & 54); Murita (24); Jon Kemp (47); Johnny McKay (52).

The proposed programme until the end of September is:

<b>July</b>	31	Sat	4BBB nett –White tees Urlwin Rose bowls Qualifying (16 pairs to qualify). Shootout Winter Ringers – Final round
<b>August</b>	3	Tue	Ladies – Val Sutherland
	4	Wed	<b>Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT</b> – Stableford – White Tees. 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.)
	5	Thu	Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men's Group – Stroke - Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees.
	7	Sat	Par – Blue or White tees Urlwin Rosebowl – 1 <sup>st</sup> round Matchplay – on handicap (White tees – <i>lowest handicapper goes back to zero and others adjusted accordingly</i> ).
	9	Mon	CANTERBURY VETS GOLF - Stableford – Course closed until 2:00 pm.
	10	Tue	Ladies – Best Nett Trophy
	12	Thu	Ladies – Stableford Trophy

			Men's Group – Stableford = Silver / White tees
	14	Sat	Stableford – Irons & Hybrid – Yellow tees Urlwin Rosebowl 2 <sup>nd</sup> round Matchplay Shootout
	17	Tue	Ladies – Stableford / NTP
	18	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver / White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	19	Thu	Ladies - LGU Men's Group – Par - Yellow tees
	21	Sat	American Stableford – Silver tees Urlwin Rosebowl –Semi-finals (Silver / White tees) Shootout
	24	Tue	Ladies – Nett / Putting
	25	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	26	Thu	Ladies – Match play Men's Group – Stableford - Yellow tees
	28	Sat	Stroke – Blue or Silver tees Urlwin Rosebowl Final Shootout
	31	Tue	Ladies – 4 Clubs + Putter
<b>September</b>	1	Wed	Ladies – Championships Starts Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees. – 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.)
	2	Thu	Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men's Group – Stroke - Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees
	4	Sat	Stroke – FIRST QUALFYING ROUND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Black / Blue / White tees Match of the Day – Stroke off 3 tees Shootout
	7	Tue	Ladies – Val Sutherland
	9	Thu	Ladies – Stableford Trophy Men's Group – Stableford - White tees.
	11	Sat	Stroke – SECOND QUALFYING ROUND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Black / Blue / White tees Match of the Day – Stroke off 3 tees Shootout
	14	Tue	Ladies - Best Nett Trophy
	15	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	16	Thu	Ladies - LGU Men's Group –Par - Yellow tees.
	18	Sat	Stroke – FIRST MATCH PLAY ROUND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Black / Blue / White tees Match of the Day – Irish Stableford - White tees Shootout [for non-championship players]

	21	Tue	Ladies - Stableford
	22	Wed	WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees – 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	23	Thu	Ladies - Stableford Men's Group – Stableford - Yellow tees
	25	Sat	Stroke – SECOND MATCH PLAY ROUND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Black / Blue / White tees Match of the Day –Stableford - Blue tees Shootout [for non-championship players]
	28	Tue	Ladies – Girls Day Out TBA
	29	Wed	WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees -11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	30	Thu	Ladies – Nett Throw Out Worst Two Holes Men's Group – Team Stableford - Yellow tees

**NOTE:** As you can see from the programme the White and Silver tees are both in use and are equivalent courses. Which course you are playing on any day will be clear when you print your card. This is to spread the use of the tee blocks to allow time for natural repair. As a general rule we will play the White tees for the first half of the month and the Silver tees for the rest.

### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

The **Coringa Club Championships** will begin with the first qualifying round on the 4<sup>th</sup> of September. The second is the following week 11<sup>th</sup> of September – the best ONE of the two to count for qualification and seeding purposes.

Eight in each grade to qualify ie three rounds of match play scheduled for the 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of September with the finals on the 9<sup>th</sup> of October.

Five grades: (Handicap index)

Senior 8.6 and below; Intermediate 8.7 to 14.3 Junior "A" 14.4 to 20.2; Junior "B" 20.3 and above; and Masters (age 65+ and no handicap restriction.)

Senior – Black tees; Intermediate & Junior "A" – Blue tees; Junior "B" & Masters – Silver / White tees.

NB. All Masters results are decided on Handicap. (Handicaps current, ie. The handicap printed on your card on the day.)

If you are unable to play your match on the due date you may play any time before the date of the next due round. Please let Dave Harvey know if you need to do this.

A notice to trophy holders from last year – please return these to the pro shop asap and it would be appreciated if you could engrave them.

### WINTER RINGERS

After a few days of cold wet weather earlier in the week, we were greeted with a fine cold frosty Saturday morning. For those who had early tee off times had to endure frozen greens and the accumulation of icicles on their golf ball as it rolled its way towards the hole. Once the warmth (?) of the sun had its desired effect on the fairways and greens (and the players), we, the golfers are a much happier bunch.

This week saw a slight change in the composition of the groups with Vance Hetaraka and Brian Docherty swapping from Group B into Group A and vice versa with the updates of their respective WHS handicap indexes. This saw Vance Hetaraka take over the lead from Mal Ashton and holds a lead of only 0.4 with a net score of 56.6. Mal is comfortably 2.8 clear of Spencer Wicks on 59.8, followed closely by Dennis Cochrane on 59.9 and Dave Harvey on 60.1. Less than 4.2 shots covers the first six, with one round remaining.

In Group B, David Cross did not improve his score but retained a narrowing lead on 52.1. Kevin King moved into second after claiming a birdie on Hole # 12 and is 0.7 behind on 52.8, with Murray Angus a further 0.8 behind. In the most competitive Group, the first 13 players are within a range of 6.2 strokes.

In Group C, Gordon McCoy on 50.8 is now 1.8 clear of his closest rival Alan Wicks after gaining another birdie on Hole # 14. Jonathan Kemp holds third, only 0.5 further behind on 53.1. There's a gap of 0.1 to Chris Cottrell who lies in fourth.

Please note that the three groups are based on the players current handicap indexes and the current groupings are not final and are only indicative given that each player's handicap index can change after each round and therefore redefine the composition of the Group especially for those players on the range borders.

Last week saw another 12 birdies recorded by the Ringers field during the round. That brings the overall total to 102 birdies or better. Currently Mal Ashton has seven birdies, followed by Vance Hetaraka, Spencer Wicks, David Harvey, Walter Scott, and Murray Angus with six birdies with Melissa Newburn, Dennis Cochrane, Lex Halford and Chris Choie, each having five birdies.

The weather outlook for the weekend is looking good with Saturday forecasted cloudy with light winds with a high of 13 after an overnight mild wintery low of 6.

This being the final week, it's time to come out on the course guns blazing and leaving no stone unturned.

See you out there on Saturday and Happy Golfing.

Kevin King

Ringers Organiser

### **BLANK CUP TEAM TRIALS**

First and foremost, thanks to the Coringa Match committee for accommodating the trials during the Saturday competition. Doing it this way means that players do not have commit more time than they must, especially knowing that the Blank Cup competition is already a huge commitment - which runs most Sundays between the 8<sup>th</sup> of August and the 10<sup>th</sup> of October. The first match is at Christch Golf Club on Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> of August (with a Practice Round at Chch GC on Sunday the 1<sup>st</sup> of August 11am-12noon - no charge).

The 31<sup>st</sup> of October is a reserve day and the Finals are at Chch GC on the 21<sup>st</sup> of November 2021. And Congratulations to all who participated. It was not easy with the Winter conditions but testing enough to sort the team out. Hopefully the arduous test will help 'harden' the team for the Competition. So based on my selection policy (i.e.. first 7 past the post + a selector's choice) here is the Team (Final scores are attached).

CONGRATULATIONS to -

John Gaw

Jamie Howard

Chris Kay (selector's choice)

Lin Wang

Rohan Ware

Spencer Wicks (Assistant Manager)

Derrick Xu

James Willetts

Manager - Scott Calvert has kindly put his hand up to be Manager. Thanks Scott!! Team members - make sure you buy him a beer for his efforts. (Meanwhile Spencer has volunteered to help as an Assistant if required).

Reserves are -

Paul Hansen, Richard Kingsbury. David Harvey, Roy Wang, Scott Calvert, and Vance Hetaraka.

Commiserations to the unsuccessful triallists, but as you will see ALL remaining players are in the Reserve Pool. In the event of player unavailability reserves will be selected on interclub experience, current form, and course type.

### Uniforms

Green Shirt (on sale in the Pro shop), Black Trousers and Green Coringa jerseys (zip collar).

Happy to continue sponsorship (with no naming rights) this year by funding the Practice Round at Chch GC on Sunday 1st August, and by offering a 50% subsidy for those Team members who do not already have a Coringa jersey.

Good luck Boys!!! I will be watching from afar with much interest. That's me over and out for another season!!

Cheers

John Rademakers

## **CLUB NEWS**

### **Financials**

Dave Harvey spoke to me the other day – he in turn had been approached by a few members who had heard that the Club's financial position wasn't very good.

Can I assure everyone – the Club is in a strong financial position – better than it has been for years. All creditors are up to date, all payments to the IRD are being made when they are due, debt is being repaid as promised and there's money in the bank (enough money for us this year to buy mowers, repair roofs, paint clubrooms and plan to buy a new coring machine)

We will send out the latest financial accounts to all members in October which will show a very positive result for the year, but in the meantime, if anyone has any concerns, please contact me and I'll put your mind at rest (and if anyone from outside the club tells you we are struggling financially – tell them they don't know what they are talking about!!)

Cheers – Malcolm (email mgwratt@gmail.com)

### **Pace of Play**

Winter conditions do slow things down a little, BUT!

Four and a quarter hour (plus) last Saturday was better, but it is still too long! Do make sure you are ON TIME and keep up with the four ahead.

### **Greenskeeper Safety**

Please, please **DO NOT** hit up on our Greenskeepers!! They are on the course everyday doing vital work around the course so we can all go out there and enjoy ourselves playing golf. If they are on the greens mowing or rolling them – wait until the greens are clear before you play !!

### **Café News**

For the colder winter months Soup will be available on the menu.

- A cup of homemade soup with a bread roll \$5.50
- A bowl of homemade soup (2 ladles) with 2 bread rolls d \$9.40

### **THE MEN'S REPORT**

This Saturday, the 31<sup>st</sup> of July, is a 4BBB Net competition off the White tees, and qualifying for the pairs Urlwin Rose-bowl competition off handicap. Those wishing to play just write your names on the provided sheet and I will get the first round of match play times entered on Tuesday from 10 am.

Thanks once again to those hardy souls who trialled for the Blank Cup side under the stewardship of John Rademakers. I was able to announce the selected side in the clubrooms on Saturday and the generous offer of \$500 sponsorship from John. The club is very fortunate to have generous members such as him!

The selected side includes;

John Gaw

Jamie Howard

Chris Kay (Selector's Choice)  
Lin Wang  
Rohan Ware  
Spencer Wicks (Assistant Manager)  
Derrick Xu  
James Willetts  
Scott Calvert (Manager)

A number of members have made themselves available as reserves.

I would like to congratulate all selected and the match committee wish you good luck in the clubs desire to return to the Woodward Cup division.

Last Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup> of July's round was an Irish Stableford competition off the blue and silver tees. It was great to see 100 entering the match of the day, with 34 off the blue tees in two divisions and 65 in three divisions in the silver tees competition, with one card not handed in. This is outstanding numbers! The notable scores of the day went to Grant Morris in Blue Division One with 86 and Kevin King in Silver Division Two with 82.

The gross prize went to Kieran Foote with 76 and it's great to see you back out there Kieran. The Jackpot and Net Eagle (#6) were both not struck and will be pooled till next week. The birdie hole was #14 and won by Kieran, Richard Kingsbury, Albert Yee and Gordon McCoy a nice payout of \$32 each.

Great scoring to the winners! The full results are available on the website.

I'm in Wellington this weekend and again I would like to thank JB and Puds for covering for my absence!

#### Canterbury Golf Sunday Competitions:

The club currently has the following competitive sides entered we are looking for members to play in the teams;

Blank Cup Manager	Spencer Wicks / John Rademakers
Presidents Manager	Paul Snape
Over 50 Manager	John Rademakers

I am hoping to also have;

Metro A (Manager)	James Willetts
Metro B (Manager)	Actively seeking someone to take on this role.

I have put a couple of sheets out for names of those interested in both Metro sides, so if you are keen please put your names down and express your interest.

#### Ellesmere Watering Tournament:

Kevin Walker scored 38 stablefords to pick up first in Division One and Walter Scott picked up 9<sup>th</sup> on 34 on count back.

#### Upcoming events:

31 <sup>st</sup> July	Qualifying Urlwin Rose-bowl pairs Matchplay on Handicap.
7 <sup>th</sup> August	First Round Urlwin Rose-bowl. Best 16 qualify for Matchplay on Handicap. (other rounds are: 14 <sup>th</sup> ,21 <sup>st</sup> , and 28 <sup>th</sup> of August)
4 <sup>th</sup> September	Club Championships

#### Closest to the Pin:

Previous week (24 July)	Walter Scott
This week (31 July)	Jonathon Kemp
Following Week (7 August)	Kevin Walker

We currently have sponsorship through to November 2021 but are actively looking for more people to come forward and have a turn. If there is anyone who would like to sponsor the \$40 or provide the appropriate value prizes for the closest to the pin, could you approach James Willetts, Vance Heteraka, JB, Puds or myself.

#### Match Committee Meeting 7th August:

The match committee meeting is on Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> of August at 9.30 a.m to discuss a number of items. If members have any issues they wish to raise with the committee or if you wish to view the agenda and I will provide so please just email me on [David.harvey@xtra.co.nz](mailto:David.harvey@xtra.co.nz).

Get out there and enjoy winter golf as spring starts to arrive hopefully!

David Harvey  
Men's Captain

### **LADIES REPORT**

#### **Saturday**

Four played in pleasant conditions apart from being very wet and muddy underfoot. First on countback was Myra Story with 18 Stablefords and second was Anne Morgan also with 18 Stablefords

Tee times for this Saturday the 31<sup>st</sup> is 1.12 pm. Please go to the online booking system and add your name if you want to play

#### **Sunday**

Four players braved the conditions that were just like the day before. Both Fay Beckingsale and Joy McKelvey topped the scores with 14 Stablefords

Tee times for next Sunday usual time of 10.30- weather permitting

#### **Tuesday**

Rained off

#### **Thursday**

Thirteen ladies played in initially very cloudy and at times, foggy conditions. But then the sun soon came out. Today we played a Stableford competition;

1<sup>st</sup> was Myra Story with 20 Stablefords, 2<sup>nd</sup> Janice McPhail with 18 Stablefords and 3<sup>rd</sup> Jay Pollock with 17 Stablefords. Janet Harland got a birdie on the 17<sup>th</sup>- well done Janet!!!!

Gillian Bryant got the spoon of the day for landing in not one, but three bunkers

#### **Other news:**

There is a list in the ladies change room for the Club Championships. Please put your name down. The more names the better chance of having two divisions which is preferable.

#### Tournaments:

There is a Tournament next Tuesday (3<sup>rd</sup> August) at Pegasus. if you are considering this, please contact Leigh McEwan (274340872) ASAP as you have to pay at the time of entering and time is running out.

Anne Morgan

### **WEDNESDAY GOLF**

#### \$15 'The Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group' Wednesday Watering Tournament:

This Wednesday, the 4<sup>th</sup> of August, we have our Tournament where we play for \$50 Vouchers from 'The Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group', 'Hancocks, Wine, Spirit & Beer Merchants' closest to the pin and meat prizes from our friends at New World Supermarket Bishopdale.

Remember all the tournament starts at 10.30 a.m. and are focused on getting people into the clubrooms not just playing golf! The board have decided to have the kitchen open for both tournaments and Murita will be there to provide her lovely food.

## **THURSDAY MEN'S GROUP**

Lovely to have a fine sunny morning after a frost and it warmed up nicely. We had a good field of 30 for a stableford match off yellow tees and the conditions were reflected in consistently good scoring assisted by greens running very nicely.

Full results were as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Andrew Wight	37
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Duncan Shaw-Brown	37
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Seamus O'Cromtha	36
4 <sup>th</sup>	John Brettell	36 ( Fairways are so boring!!!!!!!)
5 <sup>th</sup>	Scott Ward	36
6 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Marsh	35

There were 2's for Russell McGregor (#5) and Paul Carpinter (#7). Good to see Tom White back from his wintering over in Brisbane and clearly it was a very good paddock!! Nice to see the sun after last week and hopefully the good weather will persist. Until next week good golfing.

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men

## **AND NOW**

### **The perfect mate**

At a local coffee bar, a young woman was expounding on her idea of the perfect mate to some of her friends. "The man I marry must be a shining light amongst company, he must be musical, tell jokes, sing and stay home at night!"

A cynical male listener overheard and spoke up, "Lady, what you really want is a television set!"

### **The Old Man at the Truck Stop**

An old man was eating in a truck stop when three members of a motorcycle gang walked in.

The first walked up to the old man, pushed his cigarette into the old man's pie and then took a seat at the counter. The second walked up to the old man, spilt his milk into his lap and then he took a seat at the counter. The third walked up to the old man, turned over his entire plate and then he took a seat at the counter.

Without a word of protest, the old man quietly left the diner. Shortly thereafter, one of the bikers said to the waitress, "Humph, not much of a man, was he?"

The waitress replied, "Not much of a driver either. He just backed his truck over three motorcycles".

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

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John Brettell