



Coringa News



25th November 2021

Kia Ora

SATURDAY'S MATCH

This Saturday is the **AGM** of the golf club which is planned to start at 9:30am, and it will be followed by the the Match of the Day – a Mixed Team Stableford. Those who wish to play can print their cards at the conclusion of the meeting and the teams will be drawn and announced asap.

The Shootout has concluded for 2021, and next years will begin early February.

However, the Summer Ringers do begin next week, the 4th of December!

Last week's raffle winners:

Raffle #1: Robert Pryce (8); John Brettell (7); Richard Kingsbury (26); Robert Gillespie (1); Clinto Chase (30)

Raffle #2: David Harvey (32); Richard Kingsbury (16, & 44); Garry Puddy (27); Olly Snape (45).

The programme until the end of January 2022 is:

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| November | 27 | Sat | AGM at 9:30am, followed by Christmas Hamper Day Mixed Team Stableford Competition – White / Yellow Tees [Multi tee start at the close of the meeting] |
| | 30 | Tue | Ladies Twilight |
| December | 1 | Wed | Lone Star Group CHRISTMAS WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees 10.30 am start; (\$20 entry fee). |
| | 2 | Thu | Ladies Men's Group – Stroke - Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees |
| | 4 | Sat | Stroke – Blue / White tees State of Origin Summer ringers – 1 st round. |
| | 7 | Tue | Ladies Twilight |
| | 9 | Thu | Ladies Men's Group –Stableford - White tees. |
| | 11 | Sat | Irish Stableford – Black / White tees |

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| | | | Summer ringers |
| | 14 | Tue | Ladies Twilight – Final night for 2021 |
| | 15 | Wed | WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee. |
| | 16 | Thu | Ladies Men's Group – Xmas Tournament - Stableford (Burt Fifield Trophy) - Yellow tees. |
| | 18 | Sat | 4BBB nett – White tees Summer ringers |
| | 21 | Tue | Ladies |
| | 25 | Sat | CHRISTMAS DAY – Course Closed |
| | 26 | Sun | No Boxing Day Tournament Course Open |
| January | 1 | Sat | NEW YEAR'S DAY – Course Open Stableford – Blue tees Summer ringers |
| | 5 | Wed | \$10 Wednesday Tournament – Tee off between 10:30am and 11:30 am No Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT |
| | 6 | Thu | No Men's Group match. |
| | 8 | Sat | Stableford match – Blue / White tees Summer ringers |
| | 13 | Thu | Ladies: Men: Opening Day - Stableford - White tees |
| | 15 | Sat | Stroke – White tees – Foley Cup Qualifying (16 to qualify on handicap) Vets Cup 1 st Round Summer ringers |
| | 18 | Tue | Twilight – 1 st round for 2022 |
| | 19 | Wed | WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee. |
| | 20 | Thu | Ladies: Men: Par - Yellow tees |
| | 22 | Sat | Par – Black / Silver tees 1 st round Foley Cup – Silver tees. (<i>Competitors can go in match of the day.</i>) Summer ringers. |
| | 25 | Tue | Ladies Twilight |
| | 26 | Wed | Ellesmere WEDNESDAY WATERING TOURNAMENT |
| | 27 | Thu | Ladies: Men: Stableford - Yellow tees |
| | 29 | Sat | OPENING DAY – Teams Stableford Silver tees for men; Yellow Tees for women. \$10 entry; 10:00am multi-tee start (Drawn fours). |

CLUB NEWS

Coringa Golf Club AGM

Saturday 27 November 2021
Clubhouse 9.30am
Christmas Hamper Day Golf to follow

We are all set for the AGM this Saturday, 9.30 start at the Clubrooms (but please turn up 10 to 15mins earlier to register).

Attached are the last of the reports from the Club Captains, Course Convenor and our Club Chairman, Richard Kingsbury.

We will have special Covid protocols in place for this years meeting. This will include;

- Setting the chairs up to ensure everyone is socially distanced
- Asking everyone to check in using the Covid tracer app or manually with pen & paper
- Requiring everyone to wear a face mask while they are inside (unless you are eating or drinking)

We will have individuals remove their face masks when they are talking to the AGM, but everyone talking will be standing behind the rostrum when they do so.

I know the forecast for Saturday isn't looking great at this stage, but even if you're a 'fair-weather golfer' it would be great to see you at the AGM to reflect on another successful year (and we need at least 20 of you to make sure we have a quorum!!)

New Members

We welcome the following four new members this week:

Adam Henderson Hugh Mace Blake Middleton Lee Rawlinson

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.

COVID protocols

As I'm sure you are all aware the Government will move us to the new traffic light system on midnight, 3rd December. We are waiting to hear more from NZ Golf about how exactly this affects golf operations at the club (when we know more we'll let you know), but we do know one thing that will change

From Saturday, 4th December, you will not be able to enter the Café / Bar unless you can show proof that you have been double vaccinated e.g. a vaccine certificate / passport

The reason for this is simple – we can only operate the Café / Bar in an Orange or Red 'traffic light' if we have mandatory vaccine certificates, and the Government has already signalled that Orange will be the lowest setting that areas will transition to the 4th.

We are looking to set up a register for our members where we will record that you have a valid vaccine certificate (and when it expires). We will keep this register at the Bar, and, over time, we will be able to use this to keep track of who has a valid vaccine certificate and therefore lessen the need for you to produce your certificate each time you are in the Café / Bar.

Note: none of this changes the Clubs obligation to ensure everyone who is in the Café/Bar is double vaccinated. We will be taking this seriously (there is a \$15k fine for organisations that brake these rules), and we ask your help (and patience) while we put these new measures in place.

One way you can help your Club – **if you are not double vaccinated, then please don't try to enter the Café / Bar from next Saturday.** We can't let you in, and if we get caught with you in the Café/ Bar it could cost the Club a \$15k fine. If you want a drink (or owe your playing partners a round), buy a beer from the ProShop and enjoy it outside at one of the picnic tables provided.

Course news – tree are coming down and greens have been spiked

You will have seen the great progress the contractors are making around the course bring down the pine hedges. As of tonight, they are part way down the side of the 6th hole, having finished working through the trees on the right hand side of 12 and left hand side of 11 and 9.

They have a bit more work to do – the last hedge to come out will be on the left hand side of the 4th fairway. Obviously once the contractors are gone there is a bit of mess around the course which we will need to deal with but we are very happy with the way they have cleaned the areas up after the work they've done and really like the way its opening up the course.

The next big issue for us is the piles of 'slash' left on the course (the branches and unwanted tree trunks). We are looking at options for this – hopefully we can get these piles chipped and then disposed of (either taken away or scattered around the course).

So more to come on this but so far, so good.

As always, please stay well away from the contractors while they are working, and no golf balls in their direction!!!

In terms of the **greens** – Rohan was busy Tuesday and Wednesday using the aerator / spiker machine provided by Powerturf. You'll notice the marks on the greens but these will close up fairly quickly, but hopefully not before we've got more water and nutrients into the greens. Rohan also applied watering agent to the greens to help with the water absorption.

Its been a lot of hard work by the team but the result should be great greens over the hot summer months!!

Extended period away from the Club - Membership policy

The Board recently agreed on a policy that allows for someone's membership to be rolled over or extended, for no cost, where the member hasn't been able to play for at least three months.

The typically causes of such non-playing might be an extended period of illness, surgery, taking on full time carer duties for a spouse or dependant family member, extended overseas travel or other circumstances that the Board may see as reasonable.

In general, this policy is for members who pay full subscriptions and are on annual memberships (though in exceptional circumstances it may be extended to 3yr members).

All applications for such relief or membership extension should be made in writing to the Board be email at board@coringagolfclub.co.nz

INTERCLUB

Metro A

The next match is an away game v. Christchurch on the 28th of November.

Presidents

Last Sunday the team achieved an excellent away win 4.5 to 3.5 playing at Rawhiti. With just the Nos. 1&2 to come in we were down 3.5 to 2.5 but both James Willetts and Vance Hetaraka won their matches 1 up. A great result which tasted even sweeter with both Russley and Templeton falling to their opposition. Wins for Coringa came from James, Vance, Grant Morris and Peter Marsh while Murray Angus had the oh so important half. Russell (The Boss) McGregor played well giving plenty of shots, while Charlie and Paul are stuck in the 'must try harder' stages.

The team now sits in fifth not too far away and playing Waitikiri in the next round. They are the runaway leaders at present having won five of their games. It will be an important game on Sun 5 Dec.

SHOOTOUT FINAL

The Shootout Final took place last Saturday, the 20th of November.

Two qualifiers were absent and received 12th & 13th place prize money – and the playoff started at hole #3.

The Competitors prior to tee off at the third tee.



Hole #3: John Kemp eliminated after a shootout (long putt) with Spencer Wicks – both scored 0 points.

Hole #4: Greg Carr eliminated after a shootout (a chip across the dip from the right) with Alan Smith, Danny Wilson, and Wing Gin – all scored 0 points,

Hole #5: Danny Wilson failed to score was eliminated.

Hole #6: Harry Pihere failed to score – was eliminated.

Hole #7: Alan Smith and Charlie Longley in a shootout, chipping from the right of the green and Alan was eliminated.

Hole #8: Wing Gin failed to score – was eliminated.

Hole #9: A shootout from behind the green, and Courtney Wilson was eliminated, Mal Ashton survived.

Hole #10: Saw a ver r r y long putt and Mal survived again, Garry Puddy was eliminated (Spencer making birdie to continue with Charlie who made 4 with a shot!

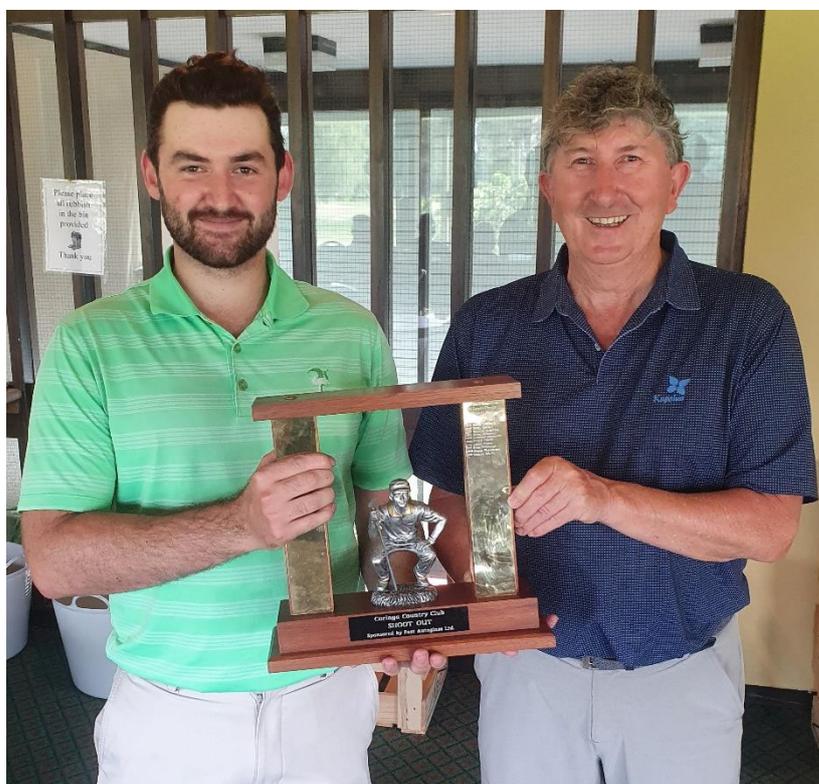
Hole #11: Mal's luck finally runs out and cannot match Spencer's par and Charlie's putt from off the green!

AND THEN THERE WERE TWO.



Hole #12: Charlie missed his drive; Spencer was well right near the 11th fairway. Charlie recovers well, Spencer puts his second shot in the bunker at #10. Spencer somehow makes his 5, while Charlie caught the tree with his third and makes seven. Congratulations go to a repeat winner, Spencer Wicks!

The winner, Spencer Wicks, presented with the trophy by David Harvey.



SUMMER RINGERS 2021 – 2022

*** **TAKE UP THE CHALLENGE – GET INVOLVED – TEST YOURSELF** ***

CORINGA SUMMER RINGERS COMPETITION

Entry Fee \$10

Over the coming summer months when the sun will be out and shining for longer, the course conditions will be more favourable and conducive to better scoring, why not challenge yourself by entering into the Summer Ringers Competition and see what the best cumulative net score for each hole you can achieve over the next three months. It's a challenge not to yourself but also amongst your golfing mates as to who has bragging rights at the end. It's FUN, FUN, FUN!!!

Please support your Club and what the Match Committee is offering to its members.

The **Competition Rules** are as follows:

- 1) Entry Fee is \$10 per participant paid prior to the commencement of the qualifying round. In the event you join late, that is after Round 1, then all previous Match of the Day (MOTD) rounds played prior to the qualifying round entered will count
- 2) Qualifying rounds only include the **Saturday** MOTD & Pro Shop **Competitions** that commenced from the 4 December 2021 to the last qualifying round on the 26 February 2022 (maximum of 13 rounds)
- 3) For your round score to count, only those Saturday results entered onto Dotgolf website will be valid. It is your responsibility to ensure your Saturday scorecards are correctly signed off and handed in for processing in the Pro Shop
- 4) The number of Competition grades will be dependent on the number of participants entered, up to a maximum of four. Hopefully this will allow all participants to compete amongst their own level. As in previous years, the lower handicap group will be smaller to ensure fair competitiveness
- 5) Your collated score for the Ringers competition will be determined no matter what tees you played from in the qualifying Match of the Day competition. However, your net score will be determined by subtracting your current average handicap index (over all the rounds played to date) rather than course handicap, given that this a composite of your handicap off all tees you played from
- 6) A weekly Ringers Result Table from the previous week will be published in the weekly Coringa Newsletter email and will also be posted in the Pro Shop Noticeboard the following Saturday
- 7) The Entry Fees collected will form the basis of the Prize Pool for the payouts in the Gross and Net competition. The winners declared will be for the:
 - Best Gross Ringer Score in each competition grade
 - Best 2 or 3 Net Ringer Scores in each competition grade (excluding the Best Gross Ringer Score winners) depending on the final entry numbers
- 8) In the event of a tie in the Best Gross Ringer Competition, the winner will be determined by the player who has the higher handicap index of the tied players
- 9) In the event of a tie in the Net Ringer Competition, the deadlock will be determined by the player who has the lower handicap index of the tied players

This year will see the introduction of a NEW trophy donated by myself. The “**King of the Ringers**” trophy will be awarded annually to the participant with the best combined Net Score competed by those who enter both the Summer and Winter Ringers competition.

Ringers Competition Convener

Kevin King

MEN'S REPORT

This Saturday, the 27th of November, is the AGM starting at 9:30 am and Christmas Hamper Day teams' event afterwards off the White tees for the men and the Yellow tees for the women. There will be raffles available for purchase at the AGM and afterwards for those interested in a nice meat prize from New World Bishopdale. The raffles will be drawn at the prize giving. The Christmas Hamper Day match will be a team's stableford game where everyone completes their card but for the team score only one stableford from the group counts on the Par 5's, two on the Par 4's and three on the Par 3's. If there is only three people in a group, the ghost player will always get two stableford points. It will cost \$10 to enter the match. I have ordered \$1000 worth of Hams, Turkey Rolls and Meat from our friends at **New World Bishopdale**, and I hope to have ten team prizes! There will be two divisions - a mixed competition and men's competition! Get out there and enjoy playing with someone different.

After the AGM pay your match fees in the Pro Shop and get your card. Remember the COVID rules! Give your name to someone from the match committee in the pro shop and they will announce the fours and the assigned tees as soon as possible. We hope the match will be underway around 10.30 depending on the AGM.

Last weekend saw the end of this year's Shootout with the ultimate winner again Spencer Wicks. Well played by all and it does show that all that practice Spencer does, works!

John Gaw brought out a friend of his from Rangiora, Alisdair Reid and Alisdair won the Gross prize with a 73 (\$28) and was 3rd in the Par competition in Division One. Well done, and it's great to see our members are bringing members from other clubs out to enjoy and showcase the condition of our course. Mel Newburn won Division One with a 71, Kevin Walker won Division Two with 69 and Courtney Wilson before playing in the shootout final had an outstanding 66. My golly Courtney what a great round!

I will make an apology as the results printed out indicate the match was a Par round, yet the printout was for a Net Medal.

The Jackpot, Net Eagle Hole number 17 and Birdie Hole number 9 were all not struck. All now have sizeable amounts pooling to be struck by a good, or lucky golfer!

The full results are available on the website.

Meat / Closest to Pin Wine/ Raffle Prizes:

There are still many members who have not picked up their meat and wine prizes and this is causing an issue with storage! If people haven't picked up their prizes within a month from the time of winning, then the prize will be forfeited. Please check the board, wipe your name off and pick up your prizes from Murita.

State of Origin Competition:

We again have the most competitive match play event of the year being played on Saturday the 4th of December! After an approach by Vance, I have decided to allow him to manage the morning players in the event and I will manage the afternoon games. I will accumulate the results at the prize giving and hope that some from the morning matches will still be in the clubrooms to enjoy banter and celebrate!

For those in the afternoon who want to play just put your names down on the list in the Pro Shop and I will try to match handicaps. The programmed match is a dual Blue and White tee day, so I will leave it up to players to agree from which tee blocks they wish to play their match. I will work with Barry and enter the names of those playing in the afternoon with the Crusaders (The holders) first and then the Highlanders!

Get your names down and I'll arrange for you to play with someone different! I will reserve times from 10.30 to 11.30!

Club Representatives:

Congratulations must go to Mel Newburn on being again selected for the Canterbury side to play in the 2021 New Zealand Women's Interprovincial Championships between 7th and 11th of December at the Timaru Golf Club. So well done Mel, and good luck for the upcoming competition. If anyone has a spare moment you may want to look at the Canterbury Golf Website and see Mel's catwalk pose! That power pose and practicing, you'll be too hard to beat in the Wednesday / Saturday haggles! Haha

Hancocks Closest to the Pin:

This week (27 November)

Hancock's Wine, Spirit & Beer Merchants

Upcoming events:

AGM, and Christmas Hamper Day

27th November (Mixed Team Stableford)

State of Origin

4th December from 10.30 (Supporters of Crusaders v Supporters of Highlanders (Stroke Match play))

Membership Welfare:**Murita Newburn:**

I was talking to Murita on Thursday after I heard she had injured her back while moving a keg around in the bar. Murita is off for ten days and is feeling better but still a bit stiff. We all hope she gets better soon and she is very much missed! Get well soon!

In Murita's absence we've had a few of the men step into the kitchen. Big round of thanks to **Paul Snape and Peter Marsh** – they have done a great job keeping the food and drinks coming while Murita's been away (but I know they will be very glad to see you back Murita!!)

If there are any members out there who would consider volunteering to take on some of the fill-in roles, please contact Paul (0276874011). We are very interested in anyone who might like to complete their bar manager's certificate and anyone who could help in the kitchen. Any offers would be appreciated. Any volunteer work we can do leaves money in the bank that can be spent upgrading the course for all to enjoy.

Comment:

Here we go into that busy Christmas and New Year phase of the year. Hard to believe we have nearly finished another year with all the challenges COVID has brought about. We have been so lucky to live in the South Island! I am looking forward to the AGM and congratulating the Board on the many outstanding results that have been achieved in such a difficult times and trying economic environment. The club in a very good financial position and heart! Get out there and enjoy the drying course which is looking and playing fabulously!

David Harvey - Men's Captain**LADIES REPORT**Tournaments

Please contact Leigh on 0274340872 if you want to play in any of the following

- 26th Nov. Tai Tapu Tournament- \$20. 10 am for morning tea with a 10.30 Tee off
- 29th Nov. Kaiapoi- Christmas Tournament
- 6th Dec. Canterbury Christmas 9-hole Tournament to be played at McLean's Island.

There is also the Coringa Christmas Hamper Day on Nov 27th. This is a fun event with lots of prizes and raffles.

Closing day and AGM (ladies).

this was held on Tuesday the 23rd of November. The day started with 10 ladies braving the weather to play an Ambrose. The winner was Sandy's team with 28 Stablefords.

This was followed by a lovely potluck lunch then the AGM.

For the 2021/2022 year:

- Ladies Club Captain is Sandy Dermott
- Secretary- Judith Wilson
- Treasurer Janice Healey
- 9-hole convenor Myra Story

Other committee members Janice McPhail and Anne Morgan

Both Elaine McGowan and Liz Lester stood down from the committee this year. They were thanked for all the years of dedication they have given ladies golf at Coringa.

The AGM was then followed by the prize giving.

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| 9-hole Trophy | 1 st - Elaine McGowan, Runner up - Anne Keh |
| Front 9 Ringers | Ellen Buttriss |
| Back hole Ringers | Sandy Dermott |
| Rose Bowl Trophy | Janice McPhail and Leigh McEwan |
| Gail McGregor Trophy | Cecelia Yon |
| 9 Hole Stableford trophy | Anne Morgan |
| Best Nett | Janet Harland |
| CG LGU Badge | Anne Morgan |
| Most Birdies | Myra Story |
| Weasels | 1 st Anne Morgan with 5 Weasels 2 nd Janice Healey with 4 Weasels, and 3 rd , Myra with 3 Weasels, & Ellen Buttriss with 3 |

She Golf

She Golf loves golf event happened on Monday 22nd in the evening. Thirty-five new players turned up and played off the purple tees. Some showed interest in playing at twilight so maybe we can coerce them from there into joining us

Last Thursday

There were thirteen players playing for Stablefords. 1st was Sandy with a whooping 22 Stablefords, 2nd Judith with 20 and 3rd Elaine with 19

Saturday

A lovely day on the course. There were six players. 1st was Tracey with 19 Stablefords, 2nd Fay with 18 on count back. Booking slots for Saturday morning are tight, so if you want to play, please let Myra know by Tuesday.

Sunday

Six ladies went to Bottle Lake with mixed results. Not sure if we will be in a hurry to repeat it. The 19th tee was pretty good though.

Twilight

Only five ladies played - all from Coringa. The top Coringa lady was Tracey Bruce who burnt up the course with 22 Stablefords, followed by Courtney. The game is followed by the best burgers in town. If you are able, we would love to see more ladies come out and play. Lots of prizes too!!!!
Anne Morgan

WEDNESDAY GOLF

Wednesday Ellesmere Tournament:

This Wednesday, 24th of November, eleven from Coringa travelled to Ellesmere. Again a very successful day for Malcolm Wratt and he's starting to become a regular winner there! I understand he couldn't do anything wrong and got third on 39 points. Geoff Miller make a rare turnout and finished 6th on a count back with 38. Well done guys.

'The Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' Wednesday Watering Tournament:

On Wednesday, the 1st of December, we again have our Christmas **'The Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' Watering Tournament** where the participants Men and Women play for \$50 **Joe's Garage** and **Lone Star** vouchers, eight Hams, Turkey rolls, and meat prizes from **New World Bishopdale**. There is also closest to the pins plus a random draw for those in the bar - prizes provided by **Hancock's Wine, Spirit & Beer Merchants**. The entry fee is \$20 and we expect to have a continuous flow of players from 10.30 am through to 11.30!

After the interest expressed at Ellesmere I have decided to implement a start sheet for the tournament and guarantee tee times between 10:30 and 11:30. The course will be closed before to ensure the two tee blocks One and Ten are available. There is already 50 plus individuals committed to playing. ***If you are interested in playing please book a tee time on the start sheet through the Pro-shop!***

TWILIGHT 2021-2022

Twilights are held every Tuesday evening with a shotgun start shortly after 5:30pm. Everyone is welcome!

Members \$5 and Guests \$10

Good prizes and a Burger meal to follow - \$10



THURSDAY MEN'S GOLF

We had a good field of 28 on a lovely morning with mild temperatures and a gentle breeze. Our match was a Stableford off the Yellow tees and the scoring reflected in the conditions apart from a couple of notable exceptions.

The full results were as follows:

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| 1 st | Phil Olsen | 41pts |
| 2 nd | Seamus O'Cromtha | 40pts |
| 3 rd | Duncan Shaw-Brown | 38pts |
| 4 th | Hugh Little | 38pts |
| 5 th | John McCabe | 37pts |
| 6 th | Chris Cottrell | 36pts |

The notable exception referred to above is a former police officer who managed to prop up the field in 28th place with 25pts. Not sure what happened and thought it prudent not to enquire too deeply. I also understand that our much-loved Club Captain is seeking advice on how to get the haggle on Saturdays past the 13th tee. Any ideas gratefully accepted.

Looking forward to next week and until then good golfing.

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men.

AND NOW

You gotta love Grandmas!

A doctor that had been seeing an 80-year-old woman for most of her life finally retired. At her next check-up, the new doctor told her to bring a list of all the medicines that had been prescribed for her. As the doctor was looking through these his eyes grew wide as he realized Grandma had a prescription for birth control pills.

"Mrs. Smith, do you realize these are birth control pills?"

"Yes, they help me sleep at night."

"Mrs. Smith, I assure you there is absolutely nothing in these that could possibly help you sleep!"

She reached out and patted the young doctor's knee and said, "Yes, dear, I know that. But every morning, I grind one up and mix it in the glass of orange juice that my 18-year-old Granddaughter drinks. And believe me it definitely helps me sleep at night."

John Brettell