



Coringa News



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SATURDAY'S MATCH

The Saturday's match is the first of two qualifying rounds for the club championship, If you wish to be involved in the club championships make sure you enter your name on the appropriate sheet in the pro shop. The match of the day is a Stroke competition off the Black / Blue / or White tees – this is determined by your handicap index.

The Shootout continues but is suspended for those competing in the match play rounds of the club championships – from 2nd, 9th, and 16th October.

Last week's raffle winners:

Vance Hetaraka (18); Kevin Walker (52); Dennis Rea (5); Paul Snape (19); Tom White (20); Dennis Cochrane (55).

The revised programme until the end of October is:

September	18	Sat	Stroke – FIRST QUALIFYING ROUND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Black / Blue / White tees Shootout
	21	Tue	Ladies - Stableford
	23	Thu	Ladies - Stableford Men's Group – Stableford - Yellow tees
	25	Sat	Stroke – SECOND QUALIFYING ROUND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Black / Blue / White tees Shootout
	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

October	2	Sat	Stroke – FIRST MATCH PLAY ROUND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Black / Blue / White tees Match of the Day – Irish Stableford - White tees, and Shootout for non-championship players
	5	Tue	Ladies – Val Sutherland TWILIGHT – Begins for 2021 – 2022 season.
	6	Wed	Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees. – 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.)
	7	Thu	Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men’s Group – Stroke - Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees.
	9	Sat	Stroke – SECOND MATCH PLAY ROUND (SEMI-FINALS) CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Black / Blue / White tees Match of the Day – Stableford - White tees, and Shootout for non-championship players
	12	Tue	Ladies - Stableford Twilight
	14	Thu	Ladies – Stableford Trophy Men’s Group – Stableford - White tees.
	16	Sat	Stroke – FINALS DAY [36 / 18 holes for finalists – begin at 8:00am] Nonparticipants a shotgun start Match of the day American Stableford – White tees. Drawn fours tee off at 9:30am – cards to be printed by 9:00am. Shootout for non-finalists.
	18	Mon	Ladies – Coringa Tournament 9-Holes (Help will be required for the tournament)
	19	Tue	Ladies - Stableford Twilight
	20	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	21	Thu	Ladies – Final Championship Men’s Group – Par - Yellow tees
	23	Sat	Stroke – Blue / Silver tees Shootout
	26	Tue	Ladies – Best Nett Trophy / NTP Twilight
	27	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	28	Thur	Ladies - LGU Men’s Group – Stableford - Yellow tees
	30	Sat	Russian Roulette – Blue tees Semi-finals of Urlwin Rosebowl competition Shootout

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

The **Coringa Club Championships** begin with the first qualifying round this Saturday. The second is next week, the 25th 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 2nd and 9th of October with the finals on the 16th of October.
Five grades: (Handicap index)

Note: For those playing in the Senior, Intermediate, Junior A & B your handicap for the club championships is the handicap you have on the 18th of September.

For those in the Masters your handicap is your CURRENT one ie. The one printed on your card on the day.

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 – 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.

INTERCLUB

Blank Cup

Rounds 4 & 5 were played at Russley last Sunday which resulted in two narrow losses to the Coringa team. In the morning they had a 5 – 3 loss to Clearwater with Jamie Howard (6/5), Lin Wang (1 up), the only winners, John Gaw and Spencer Wicks halving their matches. In the afternoon, another narrow loss to Russley, (on their home course) 4½ - 3½. The winners were Spencer Wicks (3/2), and Jamie Howard & Rohan Ware who both won making good putts on the 18th green to do so. Lin Wang halved his match. The team has a fortnight break before the next double round on Sunday 26th Sept.

Presidents

The Presidents team played its first match at Coringa v. Hagley at Coringa and had a strong 7 – 1 win. Their next match is v. Russley at Coringa on the 26th of September.

CLUB NEWS

New Members

We welcome the following eight new members this week:

Graeme Blakemore

Jack Hedges

Mi Hyang Moon

Ashton Mulloy

Meesun Park

Brody Patterson

Thomas Shim Jason Yun

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.

Subscriptions

Thanks to everyone that's paid their subs or made arrangement to pay them off over the year. For those yet to pay – we'd like you to either pay, or put a payment plan in place, by the end of this month. Any problems, please just contact us via the club email office@coringagolfclub.co.nz

COVID rules

We do need to ask members to wear masks in the ProShop (I know I'd previously said it was preferable but John Matthews has quite rightly pointed out that it's actually a requirement of Golf NZ).

Please help the club out and comply with the rules. We've been really pleased with the compliance and attitude of members and guests over the last couple of weeks – Thank You!!

Around the course

The spring grass growth is underway and with the rain we got earlier this week and a bit of warm weather next week, we will really see the grass take off over the next couple of weeks. Rohan and the team have been busy fertilising the tees and surrounds this week, and are getting ready to install more irrigation in the practise area next week (might be a bit of disruption to practise facilities when this happens)

Otherwise, the course is looking fabulous – it's a great time of year to play golf!!

The Tuesday team were back at it this week, working on the path by the 13th hole (looks great doesn't it!).

Next projects are to finish off the work trimming trees by the 4th and 5th hole, fix the path in front of the 4th blue / silver tee block and when the weather warms, finish off the final painting needed of the club rooms. The list is a long one but its great to see the steady improvement around the course.

There is a lot of labour that goes into all these jobs, but the Club has been the recipient of some very generous assistance and material supplies over the last 4 - 6 weeks from a new member **Mike deWitt of GROW LANDSCAPES**. Mike has supplied approx. 10-12 truckloads of aggregate and crusher dust, all supplied and delivered free to the club. The Tuesday working group have had their work made easier by Mike delivering and spreading the material on the pathways at holes 10, 16, 6, 13.

If you require, Plants, Pots, & any landscaping requirements Mike's business is Grow Landscapes 69 Moorhouse Ave. It would be great to support Mike as he has been very generous to Coringa Golf Club.

MEN'S REPORT

We start our two rounds of qualifying for the club championship this Saturday, the 18th of September, a couple of weeks later than programmed off the Black, Blue, and White tees. Therefore, for the next two weeks there will be five Nett competitions for the different championship grades. The match committee has been decided that the handicap you have at the time of your first qualifying round entered in the championship decides which grade you will play within for the championship. Please enter your names and gross scores for the Senior, Intermediate, Junior A and B but Nett score for the Masters in the forms available in the pro shop.

This year I have instigated a Saturday Women's grade and it is open to any women who plays 18 holes throughout the qualifying Saturday rounds.

Good luck to those hoping to qualify.

Urlwin Rose-Bowl:

Since the decision to delay the semi-finals and final until after the club champs, I have realised the new dates are within the Labour weekend period and therefore I have set dates which are semi-finals on the 30th of October and final on the 6th of November. I hope this works for those involved.

Semi Finalists are:

Barry Stringer & Scott Ward v. Kevin King & Albert Yee

Vance Heteraka & Jonathon Kemp v. Russell McGregor & Paul Snape.

Last Saturday, the 11th of September, was a Stableford competition off the Silver tees and being playing with the COVID-19 rules. It was great to see 90 members were out there and we were able to have four divisions. Thirty-eight individuals thought they were good enough to enter the gross prize competition. Good to see Scott Ritchie picked up the prize with a 74 which does give us all a chance! It great to hear members actively talking about and competing for the club room honours!

The notable scores in Division One went to Mal Ashton with 40 stablefords, while in Division Two Kevin Walker also had 40 points. Division Three had Andrei Cotiga with the outstanding score of the day on 45 points! (My golly Andrei you must be getting the chop soon). And lastly in Division Four Alan Smith had 42 points. Some great scoring!!

Olly Snape must have played well as he had a very profitable day picking up the closest to the pin on number 5, sharing of the Nett Eagle hole on number 8 and the Birdie hole on number 3. Well done Olly!

The Jackpot was not struck again and has pooled to \$262.

The full results are available on the website.

Canterbury Golf Sunday Competitions:

The Metro A side has been registered with Canterbury Golf under the management of James Willetts. Thanks very much for taking on the role James.

Unfortunately, there was no one interested in managing the Metro B side.

Meat and Wine Prizes:

Could I ask members to check the board if you buy a raffle and don't know the results. If you have a prize, wipe your name off, then ask Murita to pick up your prize, as we don't have a lot of space available in the freezer.

Upcoming events:

18th & 25th September - Qualifying for Club Championships. Subsequent match play rounds are 2nd, 9th, and 16th October)

Urlwin Rosebowl. - Semi-finals 30th October and Final 6th November.

Closest to the Pin:

Previous week (11 September)

Malcolm Wratt

This week (18 September)

Mike Dimond

Following Week (25 September)

David Harvey

We have been fortunate to secure through **Johnny McKay** and Hancock's, **Wine, Spirit & Beer Merchants** a very substantial sponsorship of product. This sponsorship will provide sufficient prizes to cover the weekly Saturday closest to the pin and longest putt (with five prizes), as well as two prizes for the weekly Thursday and prizes for the two Wednesday competitions.

The Match Committee is very appreciative of the offer arranged by Johnny through his employer Hancock's. In the meantime, we will be completing the paid member sponsorships before beginning the weekly Hancock's prizes.

Could I thank all the members who have supported, offered and sponsored this match committee initiative! The initiative will have provided 163 weekly prizes at conclusion, well done, everyone!

Course:

Could I ask those cart riding players to please not park their carts directly in the front of the green or on the tee blocks. I have recently noticed some tire damage being done to the course as a result of the parking!

Membership Welfare:

Russell McGregor (The Boss):

It was great to see 'The Boss' with his sore shoulder / neck back out leading his team working on the course. Unfortunately, his injury is not improving to the extent that he can play, but we all hope it improves enough so he can support his partner Paul Snape in the Urlwin Rose-bowl.

Apology:

A few weeks ago, I mistakenly included within my weekly report that; "*Russell McGregor and Paul Snape had won one up against Jerry Kuipers and Keith Yardley at the ninth before the weather got to our senior statesmen.*"

Well, I got a warning from one of those 'senior statesmen' indicating they were considering to instruct a lawyer to commence defamation action! I did get the story wrong! Some of you will say I get the story wrong too often. So, to correct the story Keith continued playing and Jerry pulled out. The rumour was the heater in his buggy wasn't working! Sorry Keith!

Comment:

Canterbury is really into that inconsistent spring weather pattern and there is no certainty as to what the next day is going to bring. What it does tell us is get out there when the weather is good and enjoy our fabulous course! The COVID-19 Delta outbreak and rules are a challenge, but golf friendship and the opportunity to get some fresh air in our happy place is a great side of life we must appreciate!

David Harvey

Men's Captain

LADIES REPORT

Message from Sandy

In case you missed it, can I direct you to your email in box on Monday 13th for a lot of news and updates from Sandy.

9-Hole Club Champs

Myra has circulated the draw and as asked that the first round be played as soon as possible that all the games are completed by the 21st of October.

Tournaments

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

- Waimakariri Gorge - 20th September morning tea at 10am with tee off at 10.30. \$25
- Amberley 27th September. 9am registration with 9.30 tee off. \$20 there is a limit of 50 able to be accommodated so if you are thinking of going contact Leigh ASAP

Don't forget our own 9-hole Tournament on Monday the 18th October. Please let Judith Wilson know if you are wanting to play.

Ladies Day out.

21st September at Tai Tapu with lunch at the Store in Tai Tapu. Tee off 10 am, please be at Tai Tapu by 9.40. See Sandys email for more details

Saturday

There has been a time change to morning tee offs

There were seven players.

First was Myra with 22 Stablefords which included a birdie on #9. Second was Anne M with 20 Stablefords and third Faye with 17 Stablefords

Next week's tee off time is 9.00am and 9.12am

Sunday

There were six players

First was Joy with 21 Stablefords, second Anne M with 18 Stablefords and third Janet with 17 Stablefords

Tuesday

The day was rained off.

Thursday

There were fourteen players, however 6 played the first round of the club champs;

Winners, Tracey Bruce, Janice McPhail and Judith Wilson

The other eight players played for Stablefords;

First was Janice Healey with 22 Stablefords, second was Joy with 20 Stablefords and third was Anne M with 19 Stablefords.

The course is looking wonderful. A big thank you to the green keepers and the volunteers for all their hard work

Anne Morgan

WEDNESDAY GOLF

\$15 'Lone Star / Joes Garage Group' Watering Tournament:

This Wednesday, the 15th of September, we had our replacement **\$15 'Lone Star / Joes Garage Group' Watering Tournament** with all the meat prizes from our friends at **New World Supermarket**

Bishopdale and wine from **Hancock's Wine, Spirit & Beer Merchants.**

Notable Coringa Results in the two divisions included;

Division One [up to 18.1]

1 st	Duncan Shaw-Brown	40
2 nd	Lex Halford	37
7 th	Kevin Walker	35

Hancock's Random Draw: Walter Scott (with 32 stabs)

Division Two [18.2 and above]

1 st	Helen Pan	43
2 nd	John Matthews	39
3 rd	Mary Kuipers	38
5 th	Sue Smith	36 (C/B)

Hancock's Random Draw Peter Marsh (with 33 stabs)

Bill Whelan at Ellesmere has indicated that their tournament next week is ON!

If you are able to meet out there at 10:30am for an 11am tee off.

THURSDAY MEN'S GROUP

A threatening forecast for the afternoon may have put a few people off, but despite some very threatening clouds field of 23 completed a Par match off the yellow tees in the dry.

Full results are as follows:

1 st	Jerry Kuipers	+3
2 nd	Greg Carr	+2
3 rd	John Matthews	+2
4 th	Lex Halford	+1

5 th	Jim Anderson	+1
6 th	Hugh Little	+1

The only two of the day went to Jerry Kuipers on 17. Following on from the generous sponsorship by Hancock's Wines we had nearest the pin prizes on holes 7 and 17. Keith Yardley scored on 17 and much to the embarrassment of several low handicap players nobody was able to hit the green on 7 never mind get close to the pin!!! (I'm looking at you David, Derick and Lex!!)

Looking forward to more fine weather next week and until then good golfing.

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men

AND NOW

Brucey and Trev

Bob died in a fire and his body was burned pretty badly.

The morgue needed someone to identify the body, so the funeral director sent for his two best friends,

Brucey and Trev

The three men had always done everything together.

Brucey arrived first, and when the mortician pulled back the sheet he said, 'Yup, his face is burned up pretty bad. You better roll him over.'

The mortician rolled him over and Brucey said, 'Nope, ain't Bob.'

The mortician thought this was rather strange.

So he brought Trev in to confirm the identity of the body.

Trev looked at the body and said, 'Yup, he's pretty well burnt up. Roll him over.'

The mortician rolled him over and Paddy said, 'No, it ain't Bob.'

The mortician asked, 'How can you tell?'

Trev said, 'Well, Bob had two a-holes.'

'What? He had two a-holes?' asked the mortician.

'Yup, we never seen 'em, but everybody used to say:

There's Bob with them two a-holes.'

Fishing without a permit

A young man is found fishing in a nature preserve by a police officer. His bucket is full of fish.

Cop: Do you have your fishing permit on you, young man?

Fisherman: No sir. They're my fish. I brought them from home.

Cop: What do you mean brought them from home?

Fisherman: Every day I come here and let the fish swim in the pond and then I call them back.

Cop: What? How?

Fisherman: I whistle at them, and they jump back into the bucket.

Cop: Show me.

At this point, the young man empties his bucket and stands still.

Cop: so!?

Fisherman: So what?

Cop: Call the fish!!

Fisherman: What fish?

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

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