



# Coringa News



18<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Kia Ora,

## Saturday's Match

- An Irish Stableford competition off the dual Blue / White tees for men, Yellow tees for women.
- Final round interclub trial
- Winter Ringers
- Shootout

## Raffles

Mel Newburn 50, Alan Smith 4, Mel Newburn 29, Bev Gordon 39, Dave Harvey 10, Dave Harvey 35.

The program until the end of August – 2024

<b>July</b>	20	Sat	Irish Stableford – Blue / White tees ( <b>Final Interclub Trial</b> )
	23	Tue	Ladies: Stableford
	24	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	25	Thu	Ladies: L. G. U. Men: Stableford - Yellow tees.
	27	Sat	4BBB nett – White tees Urlwin Rosebowl Qualifying (16 pairs to qualify). Shootout Winter Ringers
	30	Tue	Ladies: Nett Uni students – Longest Day tournament
	31	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees 10.30am start - \$10 Members - \$15 Visitors
<b>August</b>	1	Thu	Ladies: Betty McBirdie

			Men: Stroke – Jerry` Attick Trophy – Yellow tees.
	3	Sat	Par – Blue/ White tees Urlwin Rosebowl – 1st round Matchplay – on handicap (Silver tees – lowest handicapper goes back to zero and others adjusted accordingly). Winter Ringers
	4	Sun	<b>COURSE CLOSED</b> <b>INTERCLUB</b> BLANK CUP - 10 teams playing at Coringa. Coringa vs Russley  Thompson MacDonald Cup – Away game vs Bottle Lake
	6	Tue	Ladies; Val Sutherland
	7	Wed	<b>Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT</b> Stableford – White Tees. 10.30 am start; (\$20 entry fee.)
	8	Thu	Ladies; Stableford Trophy Men; Stableford – Silver Tees
	10	Sat	Stableford – Black / Silver tees, <b>PETER TIMBS MEATS – \$100 VOUCHER - RANDOM DRAW</b> Urlwin Rosebowl 2nd round Matchplay Shootout Winter Ringers
	11	Sun	<b>Interclub</b> Blank Cup at Avondale – Coringa vs Clearwater Thompson MacDonald – Home game vs Harewood
	13	Tue	Ladies; Stableford / N T P
	14	Wed	Templeton Wednesday Tournament
	15	Thu	Ladies; Stableford Trophy Men; Par – Yellow Tees
	17	Sat	American Stableford – Silver tees Urlwin Rosebowl –Semi-finals (Silver tees) Shootout Winter Ringers
	18	Sun	Interclub Blank Cup at Russley – Coringa vs Hororata Thompson MacDonald – Home game vs Waimairi Beach
	20	Tue	Ladies; Net - Hidden Holes
	21	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver Tees - 10.30 am start; \$10 Members. \$15 Visitors
	22	Thu	Ladies; Match play Men; Stableford – Yellow Tees
	24	Sat	Stroke – Blue / Silver tees Urlwin Rosebowl Final Shootout Winter Ringers
	25	Sun	Interclub Presidents – venue TBC
	27	Tue	Ladies; Best Net Trophy
	28	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament

	29	Thu	Ladies; Stableford NTP Men: Stableford - Yellow tees.
	31	Sat	Stroke – <b>FIRST QUALIFYING ROUND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS</b> Black / Blue / White tees Match of the Day – Stroke off 3 tees Shootout

## CLUB NEWS

### **Obituary Gillain Bryant**

It is with great sadness that we heard of the passing of Gillian Bryant. Gillian joined Coring along with her husband Peter in the late 1970s when she became an active member of the 18-hole ladies.

Gillian was a good organiser and was often called upon to be part of organising groups for Tournaments etc. In 2016 she became ladies Club Captain and held this position for 3 years. It was around this time that Gillian changed to 9-hole membership due to health concerns.

Gillian was a great gardener and loved to her plants and knowledge from her garden. She was always available if advice was sought. We will miss her.

Anne Morgan

## **COURSE NEWS**

Green speed is 10.6 feet (about the same speed as Royal Troon where the British Open is been played)

This week the big thing was fighting against the disease we have in the greens. We have been out spot-spraying trying to get on top of the disease but unfortunately, we are losing. So tomorrow (Friday) we will be spraying the greens once again straight after the mow and will not be mowing the greens until the following Friday to try give a chance for the contact fungicide to work its full magic. When we are not mowing, we will be taking the due off the greens, if it's a roll or just using a rope to remove the due so that the greens can dry as fast as possible.

Coring of the fairways is going great, and by the end of this week we will only have four more to do.

Bunker maintenance on hole 8 - well some of you would have seen what is happening on that hole. The Board and I looked at this hole a few weeks ago on a course walk and decided to make a few changes and give the hole a makeover. The changes are around the 135m marker. We will be using the existing mounds and put in 2 fairway bunkers (this was always on previous course plans but we never had the funds to make the change). Once the bunkers have been built and are in play, we will be removing the 5 trees that currently are growing around the new bunker sites (4 on the left and 1 on the right). This will be a 3–4-week project and once completed, I am sure it will make the hole.

Rohan

## TUESDAY CREW

Another Monday morning start spent clearing the popular branches left on the right hand side of the 17<sup>th</sup> tee, where the second row of populars was taken down a fortnight ago. This area looks a lot tidier now.

The intention longer term is to replant where the populars were on the 16<sup>th</sup> hole – we just need to assess our options re what trees and where.

## STAFF NEWS

- Nic is taking a well deserved holiday, with her last day being Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July, returning August 20<sup>th</sup>. While she is away, Max, our part time green keeper, will be looking after Nic's days in the Pro Shop. Max works Monday, Wednesday and Thursdays to fit around his Uni studies. Barry has kindly agreed to shuffle around his days and will work Tuesdays instead on Monday while Nic is away.
- We have found someone to take on the Café/Bar role on a permanent basis. **Beverley Kendall** starts with us on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June when she returns from her holidays. Bev is excited about the new challenge and we are looking forward to having her join the team – we're sure she will be a great success. It will also take a lot of pressure off Paul Snape who has done an amazing job managing the Café/Bar on and off since Murita left 18 months ago.

Of course this means that Elliot leaves us, with his last day being next Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>. Elliot's been a great in the Café/Bar – always willing to help and a very quick learning. We wish him all the best with his studies.

## PRO SHOP NEWS

Last week we told you about the latest batch of Club jersey's which we have now for sale (\$126.50 for a quality merino wool jersey, complete with club emblem)

This week we have the new club shirt available for sale. These shirts are very similar to the shirts worn by the Blank team last year (they really liked the shirts and were keen for the Club to pick them up as the new Club shirt going forward). The shirts are priced at cost \$60.00

The Board are really keen for all our interclub teams to wear the new shirts this year. We would ask that anyone playing for an interclub team buys the new club shirt and wears it proudly when they represent the Club. However we also realise we need to help members do this, so .....

- The ten members selected for the Blank and Thompson McDonald (Simon Cup equivalent) teams will get the full \$60 they paid for the shirt credited back onto their member account (which can be used for purchases in the Pro Shop or Café/Bar)
- Anyone who plays for Metro A, B or Presidents interclub teams will get a \$30 credit on their member account (assuming they have purchased a shirt). This same offer will be extended to any other interclub teams like the 9 hole ladies if they wish to change to the new shirt (which they are considering) or anyone asked to fill in for the Blank or Thompson McDonald teams.
- And we'll also offer anyone who has an old green Coringa shirt and wants to trade it in for a new Coringa shirt, a \$30 credit when they purchase the shirt and hand in the old one. We are keen to transition as many people as possible into the new shirts and realise some members might have only recently bought the 'old' green shirt

Just so we are clear - no double ups on the credits !! Each member gets only one \$30 credit (or \$60 if selected for Blank and Thompson McDonald teams).

We are very excited about the new uniform – the shirts look very smart and apparently feel great to wear. We hope by lowering the net cost of the shirts we can get lots of our members wearing them

All of this wouldn't be possible without the wonderful support from **Goodman Fielder** and **Jason McCauley** who has arranged the sponsorship. Thank you very much guys!!!

## **NEW MEMBERS**

We have 4 new members joining us this week,

Welcome to Coringa to;

Eschenbach, Andreas

Fiddymont, Seb

Yin, Cynthia

Yin, Regina

## **WINTER RINGERS**

After Round 7 we saw two late entries into the competition, bringing it up to 50 competitors. During the week, I was notified by a fellow contestant that there was a correction to Matt Vieceli's scorecard last week and that he did not achieve an eagle on Hole # 4 and that an input error was recorded in the processing of his scorecard by the Pro Shop. The leaderboard has now been updated and only order of the first three places were affected by the correction.

With the change, we see that Andy Williamson (16.529) continues to lead the field, his overall net score by increased by 0.071 as a result of a change in his average handicap index, to be on 52.471. Keith Yardley (24.517) moves up 1 place into second spot with no change to his net score of 53.483 from last week. Matt Vieceli (16.467) drops 1 place into third spot on 53.533, followed by Graeme Falloon (25.371) who improved 2 places to be in fourth spot on 53.629. The most significant movers this week were Lex Halford (11.071) moving up 13 places to eleventh spot on 55.929, Brian Docherty (13.104) up 12 places to thirteenth on 55.986 and Gordon McCoy (22.200) moving up 9 places on 56.800.

Here are some of the field statistics to date in the 2024 Winter Ringers Competition:

Number of Competitors	50 (2 late entries)
Range of Gross Scores	63 - 88
Range of Net Scores (Field)	52.471 - 67.925
Range of Net Scores (Top 20)	52.471 - 56.771

	<b><u># of Players</u></b>	<b><u>%</u></b>
Under Net Par	50	100.00
Eagles or Better	3	6.00
Birdies or Better	38	76.00
Players with Multiple Birdies or Better	29	58.00
Bogeys or Worse to Discard	40	80.00
Double Bogeys or Worse to Discard	10	20.00

There are no competitors who are currently over net par, with all players now under the net score of 68, the leaderboard will change dramatically over the coming weeks and the range of net scores in the field compresses.

There were another 14 new birdies or better recorded last week, bringing the total to date of 132, with Kyle Charlwood (10.257) carding an eagle on Hole # 12 off the Blue tees, the fourth by the Winter Ringers field. Mal Ashton (7.971) continues to hold the lead in these statistics with a tally of 1 eagle and 9 birdies, followed by David Harvey (8.100) with 9 birdies then with Albert Yee (8.014) with 7 birdies, followed by Jesse Guise (13.433), Isaac Preece (6.014) and Spencer Wicks (5.471) with 6 birdies each.

There are 10 players so far, to have to registered par or better on every hole. Those still to have a single bogey to discard on their scorecards are Andy Williamson (16.529) on Hole # 4, Chris Choie (16.917) on Hole # 10, Mal Ashton (7.971) on Hole # 3, David Cross (15.500) on Hole # 13, Vance Hetaraka (12.543) on Hole # 15, Albert Yee (8.014) on Hole # 9, Graeme Free (10.729) on Hole # 6, Mike Arlidge (11.175) on Hole # 17 and Kyle Charlwood (10.157) on Hole # 18.

The hardest ranked hole determined by the numbers of birdies or better carded, continues to be Hole # 15, the only hole yet to have a birdie registered on it. The next hardest are holes are Hole # 2, Hole # 5 and Hole # 9, each with 3 birdies recorded by the Ringers field.

After the end of July, we'll see the participants divided into three groups, with the lowest handicappers in a smaller group. Please remember that the groups remain dynamic and is based on your average handicap index calculated on all qualifying rounds you've played to date.

[Click here to view leaderboard](#)

Kevin King

Ringers Convener

## **INTERCLUB**

### **Presidents**

Presidents grade interclub is scheduled to get under way on 25th August 2024. There are 13 games we will play between then and early April 2025.

We provide a team of 8 players. Those eligible to play must be financial members of Coringa golf club and have an index between 10.0 and 24.0.

Those interested are asked to write their details on a sheet that will be in the golf shop from this Saturday.

David Cross

Team convenor.

### **Blank Cup & Macdonald Thompson Trophy**

A few of the trialists have already completed their 5<sup>th</sup> round, so this weekend will be the last chance for the remainder of the players who have only played 4 rounds.

Players may choose to play a 6<sup>th</sup> trial round, but your scores will be averaged over all 6 rounds, (ie not the best 5 of 6 rounds)

The team selection will be made shortly after the final trial round. Good luck to all trialists.

The season starts very soon, just 2 weeks away, 4<sup>th</sup> August

The first round of Blank Cup will be played at Coringa, with all 10 teams competing, the course will be closed for most of the day,

The draw for the Macdonald Thompson Trophy came out this week,  
The first game for Coringa will be playing away to Bottle Lake, 4<sup>th</sup> August.

## **LADIES GOLF NEWS**

### **Thursday:**

(Mixed 9-Holers). We play for the stableford hidden partners.

1<sup>st</sup> Chris & Janice McPhail with 34 Stablefords

2<sup>nd</sup> Jay and Chris with 33 Stablefords

Next week we play LGU. Duty person is Janice McPhail

**Saturday:** This week only 2 played Best Nett and Tracey was the winner. If you are wanting to play on Saturdays with the 9-hole ladies please contact Myra [myrastory46@gmail.com](mailto:myrastory46@gmail.com)

**Sunday:** rained off. Next week slots have been booked at 9.59 and 10.09

**Tuesday.** Rained off

Next week we play Stableford. Duty person is Leigh McEwen

**18- Holers** are now teeing off at 10am on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

### **General news:**

**Mid-winter Lunch.** Unfortunately, we had to postpone the lunch as our good friend Gillian Bryant's funeral was on at the same time. We are now going to Bishop Brothers on the 30<sup>th</sup> July. If you were unable to come this week but could now come on the 30<sup>th</sup> or, you are now not able to come due to the date change, can you please let Myra Story know for numbers.

**Café;** It is good to see Elliot back upstairs. He will be there next week. If you are playing on a Thursday, please support the café so we do not lose it on a Thursday.

**Tournaments:** For 9-hole ladies, can you please let Leigh know when you are wanting to enter tournaments and she will send your entry in. [leigh72mcewen@icloud.com](mailto:leigh72mcewen@icloud.com) ph. 0274340872.

18-hole ladies. If you are wanting to enter any tournaments, please do this yourself. Do not forget to send in your Handicap, ID and Index.

If you want any more information, 18-holers please email me at [jimmykatie57@gmail.com](mailto:jimmykatie57@gmail.com) and I will send you all the details.

**Waimairi Beach Golf Club (Inc) Women's Canadian Foursomes** Friday 26 July 2024 Handicap Index 0 – 36. Entry Fee \$80 per two players.

**RAWHITI GOLF CLUB Ladies team Stableford** Friday 23 August 2024 Entry Fee \$120.00 Per Team (\$30 per person) ID handicap 0-38.9

**2024 KAIKOURA WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT** Monday 9th - Wednesday 11th SEPTEMBER 18 Hole 4BBB Stableford. Entry Fee \$40 per person. Limited to first 66 pairs.

Anne Morgan Ladies Club Captain

## **MENS REPORT**

### **Urlwin Rosebowl – Pairs Matchplay off handicap**

One of the most fun and competitive competitions at Coringa, grab yourself a partner and get involved. Qualifying is next Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July, where the top 16 qualifiers will go on to the match-play rounds in the following weeks.

Competition is open to both men and women, there is no entry fee, you just sign up on qualifying day. For our new members this is a great way to meet other members, and a fantastic way to gain some match-play experience, previous experience is not required, only your participation. Our carry over champs from 2023 are Hugh Little and Seamus O’Cromtha.

All qualifiers can still play in the match of the day,  
You must play in the match of the day if you want your ringers or shootout scores to count

### **This Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

This Saturday’s competition is an Irish Stableford competition off the dual Blue / White Tees,

- Final round of the interclub trials.
- Winter Ringers
- Shootout.

### **Last Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July**

Today was a Par competition off the dual Blue / White tees,

We had 109 entries in the match of the day, 71 of those playing off the Blue tees,

It was a very chilly / frosty start for the early players, but the course was as beautiful as ever.

Top round of the day goes to James Howard with 73.

Although looking at the results it appears all the best players were playing in Div 3 Blue.

Every single player among the prizes finished better than par, (the 5<sup>th</sup> place winner would have come first in Div 1 and Div 2.)

Great scoring by Callum Doherty and Chris Choie finishing on +4 and +3

I noticed that 3 people from the same 4-some all finished within the prizes this week, and no I’m not suggesting an inquiry into Rob Gillespie, Tom Grimshaw, and Callum Doherty, I’m more concerned about what happened to the fourth member of your group? is he ok being the weak link of the group?

Here are the main results of the day – Par.

#### **Blue Div 1**

John Rademakers	1
Walker Lin	0
Rob Gillespie	0
John Hillary	0
Allan McLelland	-1

#### **Blue Div 2**

Scott Calvert	1
Angus Tucker	1
Brian McOscar	0
Ohyoung Kim	0
John Haddon	-1

#### **Blue Div 3**

Callum Doherty	4
Chris Choie	3
Tom Grimshaw	2
Leighton Sparks	2
Robert Tibbotts	2

#### **White Div 1**

David Cross	2
Lex Halford	2
Kevin King	0
Mel Newburn	-1
David Potter	-2

#### **White Div 2**

Peter Marsh	2
Bev Gordon	1
Gus Eathorne	1
Bill Hallett	-1
Doug Densem	-1

**Best Gross** James Howard (73)

**Nett Eagle Hole (1)** Leighton Sparks



<b>Birdie Hole (4)</b>	James Howard, Isaac Preece, Mal Ashton, Walker Lin
<b>Nearest to pins</b>	Isaac Preece (5), Spencer Wicks (7), Vance (13), Harv (17),
<b>2's Jackpot</b>	Not struck
<b>2's</b>	James Howard 7, John Rademakers 7, Gus Borren 7, Mike Boshoff 13, Mal Ashton 13, Gordon Carlyle 13, Vance Hetaraka 13, Dave Harvey 17, Chris Choie 7, Leighton Sparks 7,

There was a minor delay in the results getting online this week, It seems that Puds is living in some dodgy 3<sup>rd</sup> world part of Chch, where the internet doesn't work. Not to worry though, he just dusted off the "type writer" and the "fax machine" to eventually get the job done. (some younger members might have to google what those are, lol)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **July 27**                      **Urlwin Rosebowl** – Pairs match-play competition (qualifying round)
- **August 4th**                    **Interclub Starts** – Blank Cup and Macdonald Thompson Trophy
- **August 10th**                    **PETER TIMBS MEATS – \$100 VOUCHER - RANDOM DRAW**
- **August 31st**                    **CLUB CHAMPS 2024**

## WEDNESDAY GOLF

### **'The Lone Star and Joe's Garage Group' Wednesday Watering (\$20 Entry) Tournament:**

We had our monthly '**Lone Star and Joes Garage Group**' Tournament on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July after the previous date was called off through bad weather. We had great numbers with 72 participants playing for our usual **\$50 'Lone Star' and 'Joes Garage Group'** vouchers and meat prizes and raffles from our friends at '**New World Bishopdale**' and closest to pins through '**Hancocks**'.

The course was looking and playing fabulously with a number of outstanding scores recorded by some players. I continue to hear from players entering our tournament who talk about the excellent condition of the course and particularly the greens. The condition of the course is a continuous source of attraction to non members. Thanks Rohan, Steve, Max and Doug for the great job you do!

The highlights of the day were **Jong Yun Kim** scoring 44 and **Kerry O'Neill** scoring 42. Outstanding play guys.

Coringa Members within the two division;

Division One: (<16.5)

1st	Jong Yun Kim	44
7th	David Harvey	35(C/B)
10th	Kerion Murtha	33

Division Two: (16.6>)

1st	Kerry O'Neill	42
2rd	Susanah Kim	40
4th	Mikyong Son	8(C/B)
7th	Chris Chun	36(C/B)

The full results are on the club website.

We are hopefully back to our first Wednesday of the month '**Lone Star and Joes Garage Group**' tournament on Wednesday the **7th August** playing for our usual **\$50 'Lone Star' and 'Joes Garage Group'** vouchers and meat prizes and raffles from our friends at '**New World Bishopdale**' and closest to pins through '**Hancocks**'.

Remember this tournament starts at 10.30 am. I will be out early to manage the start with only groups authorised by me starting before that time. Please don't just turn up and expect to push your way onto the tee blocks. The tournament times run from 10.30 through to 11.30 a.m. Those playing early must wait until all the field is in before the prize giving.

Come out and have a game. We'll organise you into a four.

**Next week we are off to Ellesmere next week.** Those interested in a coffee before the tournament please meet at the Suburban Cafe in Leeston at 10.

This month there is a fifth Wednesday this month so that date has been taken by Rakaia. Details to be learnt next week for those interested and I will share within the newsletter.

Harv

### **THURSDAY GOLF**

We had a field of 17 turn up for golf today on a cool overcast winter day. Today's game was a stableford round off the yellow tees.

Scoring was not that good today with Phil Olsen being the only player to play to his handicap with 36 points.

In second place today was the durable and consistent Dougie Ames who had 35 points and this was on countback from Seamus O'Cromtha also on 35 points. In 4<sup>th</sup> place was Lloyd Bell on 34 points and in 5<sup>th</sup> place was Michael Healey on 33 points.

There was only one 2 today and this was by Lloyd Bell on hole 13.

The Most Honest golfer award went to Peter Bailey who struggled in the coolish conditions and amassed 21 points. It was mentioned to Peter how could he blitz the field last week with such an amazing game and then be last this week. Peter replied, "golf is a game you never get on top of, and I do try and let other players have their day", so good on you Peter.

**Winter tee off time now 10.00am.**

### **Results**

1	Phil Olsen	36 points
2	Dougie Ames	35 points

3	Seamus O’Cromtha	35 points
4	Lloyd Bell	34 points
5	Micheal Healey	33 points

Phil Olsen

**AND NOW....**

Something a little different for you, this clip was sent in by a member,

Note this is the first time trying this, so if it doesn’t play, try the link below

[The Ballad of the Dunny Roll](#)



**MEMBERS CORNER**

**Book your tee spots early.**

If you want any tips on how to beat the rush and get in first, ask Spencer Wicks,

As soon as the booking sheet opened last week, Spencer was the first one in, he had his choice of tee times, so he chose his spot and booked his group of four.

All of his group received the email notification so they could all relax knowing their booking was secure for next Saturday.

A bit later in the day, one of the more observant members of the group, read the email notification and noticed something bad, he then went online to double check, it really was bad, Spencer had mixed up the day, and he booked his group in to play on Friday instead of Saturday.

When he went to the Saturday bookings to correct the mistake – TOO LATE!!

The sheet was full and there was only one tee time left, and that was the 7.44am tee time.

If you want to have a laugh, turn up this Saturday to watch this group tee off in the dark, Thanks to Spencer, lol.

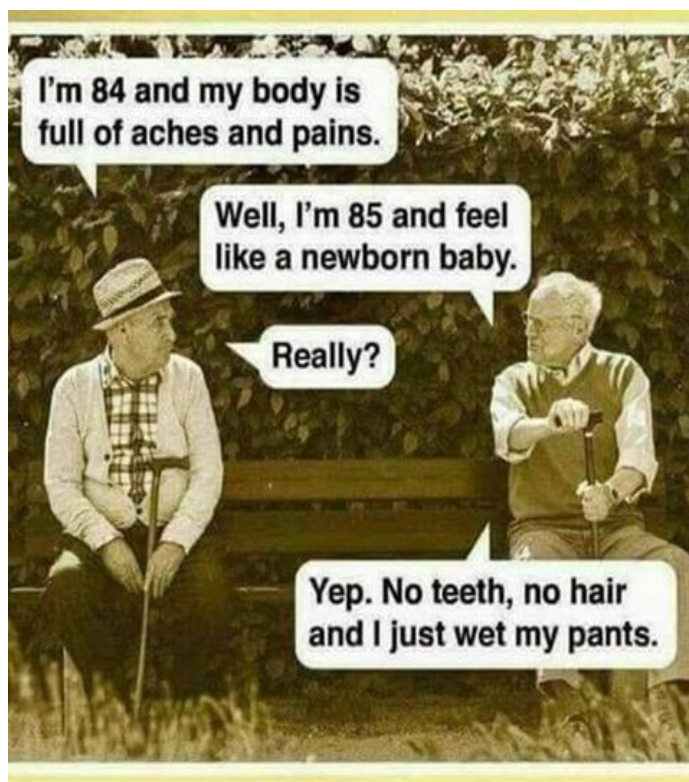
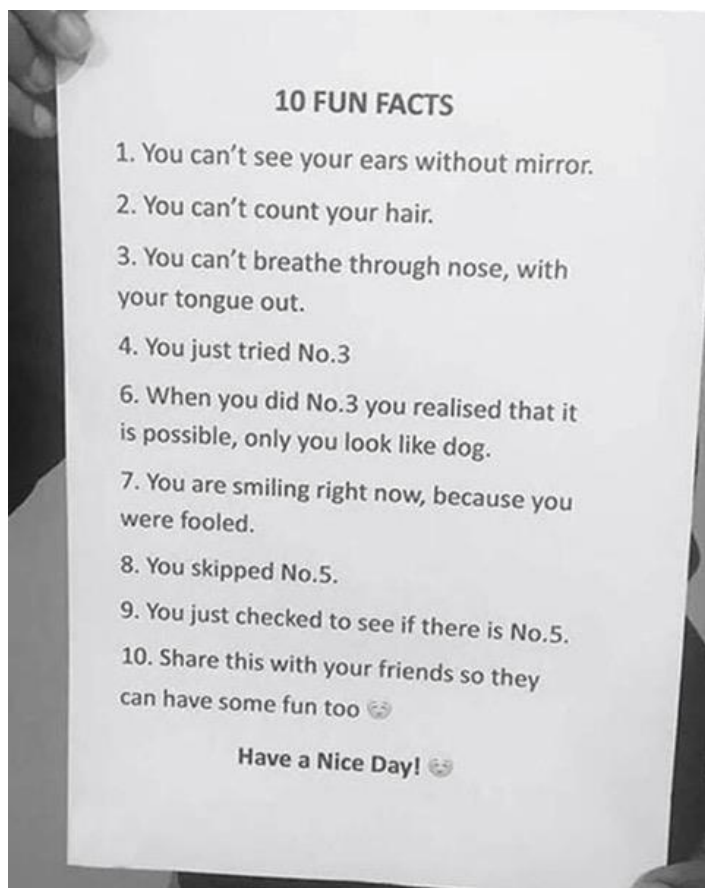
### Course Behavior

As I was teeing off on the 11<sup>th</sup> hole last Saturday, I heard a group of young hooligans making a lot of noise on the 12<sup>th</sup> green, a lot of yahooing and cheering going on, I quickly took out my notebook to take down some notes on the offenders. I couldn't believe who it was,

Bev Gordon, Lindsay Smith and John Hillary,

It turns out Bev had just holed a 50ft putt, from the front of the green to the pin all the way at the back, Great putt Bev, and well worth a cheer.

I never thought anything more of it, until I reached the 12<sup>th</sup> green, I found myself at the front of the green, the same spot as Bev, all I could think was, "If Bev could make this putt so can you" Nah, missed it.



If anyone has any news, jokes or stories to share with the club please contact me

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