



Coringa News



19th May 2022

Kia Ora

SATURDAY'S MATCH

This Saturday's golf includes:

- A Stroke competition off the White tees.
- The qualifying round for the Howarth Salvors, which is a match play competition in four grades with the best eight in each of the grades to qualify for the match play on the 29th of May, the 11th of June and the finals on the 18th of June. If you wish to be considered for qualifying, (and can play on these dates), put your name on the sheet in the pro shop. The draw will be entered on dot golf as soon as it is available.
- The Shootout. We now have over half of the players who completed 10 qualifying scores with several more getting close.

Last week's raffle winners

Jon Kemp (46); Paul Snape (49 & 19); Charlie Longley (22); Kim Stevens (48); Mel Newbirt (23).

The programme until the end of June 2022 is:

May	21	Sat	Stoke – White tees Qualifying Howarth Salvors (best 8 in 4 grades to qualify) Shootout Match Committee meeting at 9:30am
	24	Tue	Ladies: Putting
	25	Wed	Ellesmere Wednesday Tournament
	26	Thu	Ladies: LGU Men: Stableford - Yellow tees.
	28	Sat	American Stableford – Blue / White tees

			1 st round Matchplay Howarth Salvors – (White tees on handicap). Shootout
	31	Tue	Ladies: Stableford
June	1	Wed	Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees. 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.).
	2	Thu	Ladies: Betty McBirdie Men: Stroke – Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees.
	4	Sat	Queen's Birthday Weekend Stroke – Black/ White tees Winter ringers – 1 st round.
	7	Tue	Ladies: Val Sutherland
	8	Wed	Templeton Wednesday Tournament
	9	Thu	Ladies: Stableford Trophy Men: Stableford - White tees
	11	Sat	4BBB Stableford – White tees Random Drawn fours after 10.30 am. Semi-finals Howarth Salvors – (White tees on handicap). Shootout Winter ringers.
	14	Tue	Ladies: Putting
	15	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	16	Thu	Ladies: LGU / LD Men: Par - Yellow tees
	18	Sat	Stableford – Blue / Silver tees [1 st Interclub Trial] Shootout Finals Howarth Salvors – (Silver tees on handicap). Winter ringers.
	21	Tue	Ladies: Best nett Trophy
	22	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	23	Thu	Ladies : Stableford Men: Stableford - Yellow tees
	25	Sat	Irish Stableford – Black / Silver tees. [2 nd interclub Trial] Shootout Winter ringers.
	28	Tues	Ladies: Stableford
	29	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee.
	30	Thu	Ladies: Fun Game Men: American Stableford – Yellow tees

INTERCLUB

Blank Cup Trial Programme

John Rademakers has again offered to manage this year's trial for the Blank Cup side. There are several new low handicap golfers playing, so please contact John Rademakers, or the pro shop (see below). We would love to see you involved.

The trial process, depending on weather and course conditions, will be the average of five (of six possible rounds) scheduled rounds between 18th June and 23rd July.

Trial Format - Six dates are available to put in a minimum of five scores. Anyone who chooses to play all six rounds - their scores will be averaged over their six rounds.

Sat 18th June	Blue Tees
Sat 25th June	Black Tees
Sat 2nd July	Blue Tees
Sat 9th July	Black Tees
Sat 16th July	Blue Tees
Sat 23rd July	Blue Tees
Sun 24th July	Team announced

Sun 31st July - Practice round at Christchurch GC (might be against Christchurch GC Blank Team) TBC

1st Blank Interclub match scheduled for Sunday 7th August 2022 at Christchurch GC.

Trial Format:

1. Automatic selection awarded to the first 6 past the post.
2. Selector reserves the right to exercise 2 'Selector's choices' for the remaining 2 spots
3. Anyone who withdraws prior to completing a full trial round due to poor play will receive a score of 99!
4. Trialists are expected to team up so they may score each other's cards. Otherwise, election of a Non-Trialist scorer subject to selector's prior approval.
5. No Gimme Putts, as the Trial forms part of the Saturday competition. Two stroke penalty for those in breach.

Players wishing to participate are to notify Pro shop or John Rademakers at john.rademakers@xtra.co.nz or Ph 027 2237705 by 11th June 2022.

John Rademakers

EAGLES RAFFLE

On behalf of the Eagles Golfing Society and the Junior Golfers of N.Z. we would like to thank you the Coringa Members for their generous support of our Annual Raffle.

The proceeds from this Raffle enable us to give three young Golfers from the Fifteen Golfing Provinces around New Zealand an all-expenses paid trip to the Eagles National U 17

Tournament which is being held this year at the Mangawhai Golf Course north of Auckland.

A qualifying Tournament to select the 3 Canterbury players will be held at Waimairi Golf Course on the 18th July. Please encourage your U17 Juniors to enter this tournament

Thanks again Max and Gavin

CLUB NEWS

New Members

We welcome the following three new members who have joined since the last newsletter

Andrew Allan

Richard Maguire

Rik Rogers

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.

COURSE NEWS

14th Green

I know a lot if you are asking “What is this black, slimy stuff on our 14th green?”

It is called **Nostoc/Alae Slime** or sometimes known as Witches butter or star slime.

Nostoc does not grow on the grass but inhabits any bare/thin areas. To grow, it relies on warmth, moisture, low air movement, some sunlight, often on compacted soils and shaded surroundings. There are two most common ways to get rid of it - physical control and chemical control (last resort)

We will use the method of physical first, which will mean trying to dry the green out by mini tinning and top dressing. In the meantime, while we wait for our coring equipment to arrive (not long now!) we will monitor the area and if need be, squeegee the green to keep it dry and playable. If the area gets really bad, we will have no choice but to close the green for the day and spray it, this will be last resort, chemical control.

Rohan

PS the Board have also asked ECAN’s about cutting down the trees around the 14th green and fairway but have been told it will be a few years before its economical to do this.

THE RYAN FOX REPORT

Another great tournament for Ryan finishing 2nd equal at the Soudal Open in Belgium. Ryan had rounds of 68, 68, 66 and 71 and was the leader going into the final round, and in fact leading by 3 shots midway through that fourth round. A battle with England’s Sam Horsfield resulted in Horsfield winning by 2 shots. Ryan in his text to Coringa members said, *“It was great to be in contention again it was a very tight last round, I’m now looking forward to the PGA”*. Ryan is now 90th in the world rankings and goes into the US PGA with a lot of confidence. The strongest international field in golf will return to Southern Hills Country Club in Tulsa, Oklahoma for the 104th PGA Championship. Consistently recognized as one of the top 100 golf courses in the world, the Championship Course at Southern Hills Country Club was originally designed by Perry Maxwell and opened for play in 1936

Phil Olsen



MEN'S REPORT

This Saturday, the 21st of May, is a Stroke round off the White tees for men and women off the Yellow tee blocks. Remember, Saturday is also qualifying for the Howarth Salvors which is a match play competition over three Saturdays, the 28th of May and the 11th and 18th of June.

Last year we were able to have four divisions playing after 10 am on each Saturday. It's a good chance for people to play with different members of the club in a competitive setting. If you wish to enter, please write your name down and **QUALIFYING SCORE** on the sheet provided in the Pro Shop. If someone writes their name down as being interested but forgets to put their qualifying score down then, I will not be looking up scores and you will not qualify. Please make it simple and write your score down to prevent disappointment. I hopefully will have the draw in Dot golf on Monday and those not qualifying can then book their Saturday games from there.

Last Saturday, the 14th of May, was a Russian roulette competition off the Blue tees for men and women off the Yellow tees. It was great to see 37 pairs entering the competition with the winning pair Lex Halford and Greg Carr scoring 82 from Jonny McKay and Mel Newburn on 80. Poor Mel had another good round on Saturday and her handicap has been halved. Golf can be such a cruel game at times. A once time regular winner John Gaw finally found some of his old mojo and picked up \$100 for the Jackpot regular winners Allan McLelland, Mel and Spencer Wicks picked up the birdie hole number 11. Spencer also picked up the gross prize with a good round of 74. Great scoring everyone! The full results are available on the website.

On Wednesday I played with John Rademakers, and he shot 70 off the stick and played so well. He demonstrated that the course can be tamed with accurate golf and good putting! Well done again Dutchy!

Anyhow, let's get down to the important news of the week.

I heard that "Two shots" Cottrell was playing the back nine with echoes from ammunition being blasted off from the range down the road. Then there was another blast that could also have been mistaken as a gun blast except for the three witnesses who heard and saw differently. The source to the information was not certain what 2shots game plan was however his yellow ball was seen traveling at huge force dangerously towards the pump house on Number 16! For a split second it looked like he was going to get through the narrow gap between the pump house and the corner tree. Then BANG (louder than the gun range bullet) and 2shots hit the tin roof! Thankfully, if it had hit the concrete it would have last been seen traveling past the 12th green. Let's just say, it took a while for the three to gather some composure!!! The Golf Gods obviously thought "Two Shots" had been through enough that he managed to have a clear shot at the green for his third.

Lastly, some of you may have read of my great birdie on number 11 last week. The Golfing Gods obviously wanted to even up the score on my previous good fortune! I tried to hit a straight drive but pulled it to the left and into the longish grass just short of the two small pines. I tried to hit a draw around or under the small pines and onto the fairway! I hit the pine and the ball goes left again. I'm still in the rough but you know I think I can hit a nice 8 iron draw around the deciduous tree and near or on to the green! A nice connection, but it drew a bit too early and hit one of the main branches with such force it sounded like 'the sound of one of those Lance Cairns sixes at Sydney many years ago with 'Excalibur. Backward it travelled 30 plus metres. I suddenly hear it hitting the left-hand pines behind

me. Bang, bang, it's coming down and then into the second pine under which I am standing. More banging before coming down out of the tree, and a harder 'plastic' bang, as it hits the plastic cover on my golf cart. By this time my hands were covering my head as I had no idea where my ball was coming from. The ball eventually landed in my 8-iron hole in my golf bag. Pew lucky to be alive and laughter from the three I'm playing with! In the clubrooms the story was shared, and no one showed any concern for me! The funny thing was the only questions asked of me, were like "what did you do with the ball", "did the ball touch any clubs on the way down from the tree as that a shot per club", and "what score did you take?" Someone even said "I should have hit the ball were it finished"! I replied I took relief as it was a man-made object and a free drop" Anyhow I wrote down a seven which when multiplied by my partner Andrew Puddy's score was still zero in the team event. Yes, and another week's match lost! I want to thank those people for the concerns about my near-death experience!

Canterbury Eagles Club:

Gavin Paterson and Max Milesi were out at the club last Saturday to sell the Canterbury Eagles fund raising raffles to Saturday players. The funds raised are used to support junior golfers in Canterbury.

Thanks very much Gavin and Max for your long term support of the Eagles organisation.

Upcoming events

21 May	Howarth Salvors' Qualifying..
28 May	First round of 'Howarth Salvors' match play in divisions.
Sunday 12 June	Mens 'Champion of Champions' is timetabled for at Waimairi Beach.
	Senior rep Rohan Ware
	Intermediate rep Albert Yee
	Junior rep: Chris Choie. (Losing finalist)

Closest to the Pin

Weekly Hancock's Wine and Beer Merchants

Match Committee

The match committee will meet on Saturday, the 21st of May, at 9.30 a.m. to discuss our upcoming winter programme, other matters, and to have a discussion with the board on where the Match Committee goals fit within the five-year Business Plan of the club. I have booked three tee times for the match committee members, board members or club members attending the meeting and who wish play together afterwards.

Membership Welfare

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

Comment

Isn't it great to hear those stories of misadventure in and around our club with people sharing their stories! I'm a bit sick of me being the centre of attention so would love to hear other stories particularly from the Saturday morning and Thursday groups. I will always keep that Journo attitude to protect my source of information. I heard the Trainee Boss (Alan Smith) and the real Boss (Russell McGregor) of the Tuesday Boys, had a difference of opinion on construction matters this Tuesday. Russell wanted the metre holes to be concreted all the way, but Smithy thought it was excessive cement use and not wise use of the Board's money! Smithy is known to all the Tuesday boys as Malcolm's secret informant on progress, issues and potential overspending! The other guys of the group fortunately became involved and the two made up on their difference of opinion. Chris's Bridge (pictured) was finished up to the normal high standards. It looks so good and well-done guys! Could I again thank Gavin and Marj Paterson for their kind offer to pay for the rebuild. I've warned you Russell, that the wee man was coming for your job!



Thanks to our Sponsors

We are always so appreciative of the help we receive from our sponsors, and I must again thank 'The Lonestar and Joe's Garage Group' for donating \$50 vouchers for two people who have been assisting around the club. These were given to John Banks and Dave Stead for the work they did in helping prepare the course for the Coringa Open.

Get out there and enjoy playing our challenging course!

David Harvey
Men's Captain

LADIES REPORT

Tournaments

Waitikiri on Monday 23rd May.

For all tournaments, please contact Leigh on 0274340872 if you want to play in any of them.

Interclub

The Final was held at Russley last Monday. Templeton played Rangiora and Templeton won 55/40

Thursday

Club Day: Rained off
Next week LGU

Saturday

Rained off

Next Saturday a tee off time of 9.12 has been booked. If you wish to join the Saturday ladies, please go online and book yourself in.

18-hole ladies- Dave Harvey is happy to accommodate you within the men's game on a Saturday

Sunday

Rained off

Starting time for next Sunday is 10.30 pm.

Tuesday

Today Janice Healey and Sandy Dermott won the Rose Bowl Competition Final against Janice McPhail and Leigh McEwen 16 to 13. Congratulations Janice and Sandy

This left only 4 to play Stablefords with Myra coming in first on 18 Stablefords from Padma with 15. Great to see some sunshine.

Next Tuesday we will be counting Putts

Don't forget that on Tuesdays and Thursday you need to have your card in by 9.15am, so that the draw can be put together

General news

Please put in your Diaries July 5th for our midwinter lunch. Cost \$20

Anne Morgan

WEDNESDAY GOLF

'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' Wednesday \$10 and \$15 Tournaments

The 'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' have offered the club a further six month supply of \$50 vouchers from both 'The Lone Star' and 'Joes Garage' restaurants as sponsorship.

This sponsorship is greatly appreciated and a fabulous offer for the match committee.

The match committee will discuss calling all the Wednesday tournaments 'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' tournaments.

This Wednesdays \$10 tournament had 34 participants playing for meat prizes from 'New World Bishopdale' and Closest to the pin prizes from 'Hancock's Wine and Beer Merchants'. Scoring was tough with only one person played to their handicap!

Division One

1 st	John Rademakers	38
2 nd	Malcolm Wratt	35
3 rd	Charlie Su	34

Division Two

1 st	Hunter Liu	34
2 nd	Glenda Kingi-Hazel	33 (C/B)
3 rd	Sue Brown	33

The full results are available on the website.

We will then have our 'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' \$15 Tournament on Wednesday 1st of June . The tournament starts at 10.30 am and everyone must be on the course by 11.30. Just turn up and join a group for a round between those times! We will have \$50 vouchers from 'The Lone Star and Joes Garage Group', meat prizes from 'New World Bishopdale' and Closest to the pin and random draw prizes from 'Hancock's'.

Thanks once again to our sponsors.

THURSDAY GOLF

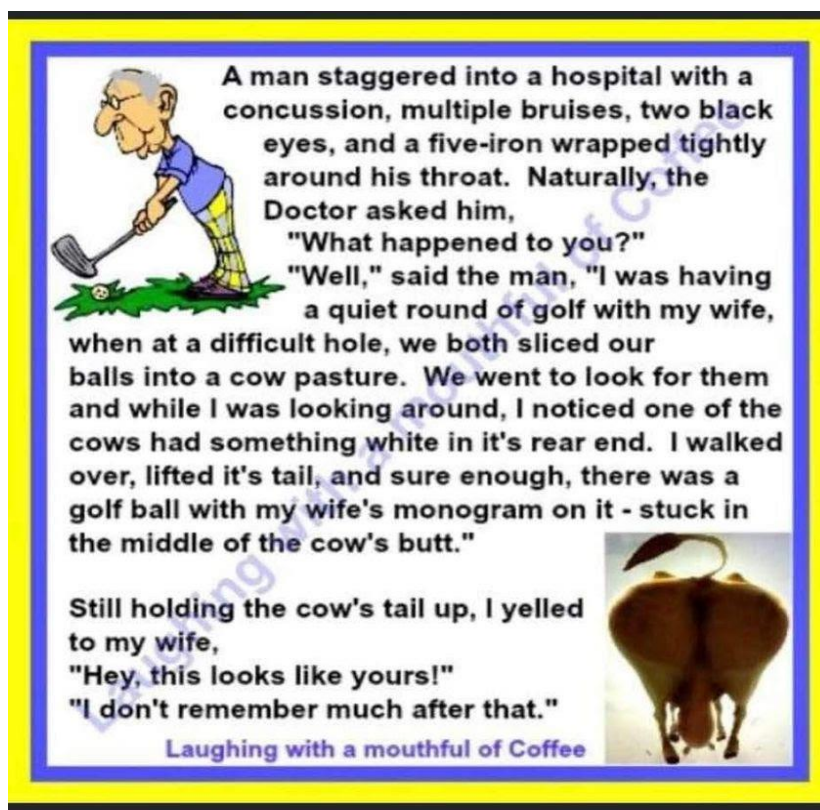
Early morning rain forced the cancellation of the competition this week.

See you there next week.

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men

AND NOW



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John Brettell