



# Coringa News



27<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Kia Ora,

## Saturday's Match

- An American Stableford competition off the White Tees for men, Yellow tees for women.

## Raffle

31 Geoff Miller, 53 John Haddon, 30 Peter Cottrell, 4 Andrew Wight, 48 Chris Innes, 36 Trevor Lee

Program until the end of January - 2026

<b>November</b>	29	Sat	American Stableford – White Tees State of Origin – Match play on handicap
	30	Sun	Interclub Presidents – Home game vs Russley Metro A – away game vs Templeton. Metro B – away game vs McLeans Island
<b>December</b>	2	Tue	Twilight
	3	Wed	<b>Lone Star Group CHRISTMAS WATERING TOURNAMENT</b> – Stableford – White Tees 10.30 am start; (\$20 entry fee).
	4	Thu	Men; Stableford – Yellow Tees – Jerry Attick Trophy

	6	Sat	Irish Stableford – Black / Silver Tees <b>Summer Ringers begins</b>
	7	Sun	Interclub Presidents – home game vs Templeton Metro A – home game vs Harewood
	9	Tue	Twilight
	10	Wed	Templeton Wednesday Tournament
	11	Thu	Men; Closing Day – Stableford Silver Tees
	13	Sat	<b>Christmas Hamper Day – Shotgun Start 10am \$20 entry 4-person Team Ambrose Competition.</b>
	14	Sun	Interclub Presidents, away game vs Bottle Lake Metro A – home game vs Waimairi Beach Metro B – home game vs Harewood
	16	Tue	Twilight – <b>Final night for 2025</b>
	18	Thu	Men; Legends Day
	20	Sat	Final regular Saturday Competition for the year Stableford – Blue / Silver Tees Summer Ringers
	25	Thu	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY – Pro Shop Closed</b>
	26	Fri	<b>BOXING DAY</b> – Course Open
	27	Sat	Holiday Competition - \$5 entry – Stableford SilverTees Summer Ringers
<b>January</b>	1	Thu	<b>NEW YEARS DAY – Course open</b>
	3	Sat	<b>Holiday Competition \$5 entry</b> - Stableford – Blue tees Summer ringers
	8	Thu	Ladies Men's – Opening day – Stableford – White tees
	10	Sat	<b>Normal Saturday Competitions resume</b> Stableford – White tees <b>Foley Cup Qualifying</b> (16 to qualify on handicap) <b>Vets Cup 1st Round</b> (Men over 55yrs) Summer ringers
	13	Tue	Twilight – 1st round for 2025
	15	Thu	Ladies: Men: Par - Yellow tees
	17	Sat	Par – Black / White tees  <b>Foley Cup - 1st round Match-play</b> – White tees. (Competitors can go in match of the day.) Summer ringers.
	18	Sun	Interclub

			Metro A – home game vs McLeans Island, (Rescheduled from Nov) Presidents; away game vs Waitikiri
	20	Tue	Ladies Twilight
	22	Thu	Ladies: Men: Stableford - Yellow tees
	24	Sat	<b>OPENING DAY</b> – competition TBA
	27	Tue	Ladies: Twilight:
	28	Wed	Ellesmere Wednesday Watering Tournament
	29	Thu	Ladies: Men: Par - Yellow tees.
	31	Sat	Stableford – Blue / White tees. <b>2nd round Foley Cup</b> – White tees <b>Vets Cup 2nd round</b> SHOOTOUT BEGINS – (\$20 entry fee)

## CLUB NEWS

### COURSE NEWS

Green speed is 10.2 feet.

With the warmer weather the rough seems to be dying off in the outer regions so we have only done 4 laps of every fairway this week.

Drainage on 13 - due to availability of materials etc, we have not started this but in the meantime we have aerated the area and it seems to have worked, so next week we will tidy it all up. We also had the time to get out the weed eaters and do some tiding of path edges and distance markers.

#### New tees

It only took one afternoon (the day of hydroseeding) before someone walked all over our new tees. This very disappointing and heart breaking for us green keepers. Can please keep off the Tees while they are growing in (they are still making golf balls and there are a few boxes for sale in the Pro shop).

15 and 17 tees have now started to germinate and the Contractor has now started on the 4th tee. The 4th tee is a big job as he is moving the front tee block to the middle of the fairway, so please keep well away from that area.

Next week we will assess the rough and make a call whether or not to mow wire to wire or just laps. We'll tidy in front of the 13th green and irrigation on the 4th tee block.

Rohan

## **TUESDAY WORKING GROUP**

Another very good turnout today with 13 guys giving up their time.

The main job today was trimming trees on the 6<sup>th</sup> hole. We trimmed the lower branches where possible to allow the rough mower and tractor to mow in these areas without being impeded by the tree branches. This allows the rough to be mowed, makes it easier to find your ball and allows you to play a shot from around these areas.

Harv's team attacked the long grass around the native trees planted on the 4<sup>th</sup> hole.

Barry was out early and topped up all the sand boxes around the course. He commented that it is great to see that the sand is being used on the course to repair divots. The sand boxes need to be topped up every week now.

Murray and Mike were busy weed spaying.

Pudds was assisting the Green Keepers with mowing grass around the Tee surrounds.

Thanks for a great effort today , it is appreciated!

**Next week** we are hoping to be assisting Glen who is going to remove some Blue gum trees on number 3, this task is yet to be confirmed.

That will be the main focus but we can also continue with the weed trimming which is an ongoing task at this time of the year.

We also still have some trees to complete trimming on number 6.

On Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> of December, Harv made a booking at Waimairi Beach Golf Club for the Tuesday WB Group and other volunteers.

We are booked for a 12.30 start and we currently have 13 confirmed to play.

If you would like to join us, please email Harv - [david.harvey@xtra.co.nz](mailto:david.harvey@xtra.co.nz) or give him a call on 021 149 9070

Harv / Brian

## **UNIVERSITY STUDENTS**

Our Canterbury University Student Golf Club members finish at the end of this month. On behalf of the Club we want to say thank you and hope to see you again next year.

## **STATE OF ORIGIN – HIGHLANDERS VS CRUSADERS**

This Saturday – 29<sup>th</sup> November

The final, and most coveted trophy of the Coringa calendar is up for grabs this week,

This team event is played every year, and always brings a lot of fun and banter from the team stalwarts and supporters,

Be on the lookout for all the red and blue colors on the course this Saturday, also beware of a person wearing a kilt, It's a frightful sight you can't un-see. (I hope you shave your legs this year Greg)

Best of luck to both teams, especially the Highlanders !!!!

Organised matches are booked in between 10.30 and 11am, but as always, this competition is open to anyone who is interested in participating, there is no entry fee. just enter your match on the team sheet in the shop.

Match results will be recorded upstairs in the clubhouse after your round.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **CHRISTMAS HAMPER DAY / CLOSING DAY - Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

- **10am Shotgun Start** – 4 person Ambrose competition,
- \$20 entry – with great prizes to be won.
- Cards printed by 9.30am, so draw can be made and play gets underway on time.
- Raffles

All welcome.

### **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY BREAK**

The holiday season is fast approaching, and it is a good time for many of our volunteers who give their time during the year to take a small break.

- Final Newsletter for the year – 18<sup>th</sup> November – resumes 8<sup>th</sup> January
- Bar / Cafe closing – Dates to be confirmed,
- Normal Saturday Competition – Final day 22<sup>nd</sup> December – resumes on 10<sup>th</sup> January.
- Twilight golf – Final day 16<sup>th</sup> December – resumes 13<sup>th</sup> January

As always, during this break period there will still be refreshments available in the shop, and we will continue to run a smaller version of our Saturday competition for those staying in Chch,

## INTERCLUB

### **METRO B**

The B's got to play at Russley last Sunday and something very exciting happened , they beat them 6 to 2 , it's hard enough winning away but such a large margin is awesome , Graham Free and John Deacon both won which is 2 wins from 2 games, Kyle Charlwood , Andrew Mackway-Jones and Sy Keelan all had wins and Charlie Longley won his match 7 and 6 wow !! those sort of days don't happen often, this weekend they have to drag themselves all the way out to McLeans Island (such a long way) always a match which is nice to win , bragging rights to our neighbours , happy golfing James Willetts

## LADIES REPORT

### **Canterbury Golf Ringers Tournament.**

We had 3 ladies representing Coringa last Monday the 24<sup>th</sup> at Templeton. Firstly Mandy Son 18 Holer playing in Silver. She came 3rd. Suzannah Kim playing in Bronze. She also came 3rd. Leigh McKewen 9 Holer came 4<sup>th</sup>. Well Done!!!!!!!!!!!! A great effort.

Games played at Coringa:

**18-Holers:** They played for the Closing Day Mckenzie Trophy. The winner was Bianca Hwang  
Next week Until **opening day on January 22<sup>nd</sup>**, 18 Hole ladies are asked to booked slots to play.

**9-Holers (mixed):**

**Thursday:** Played Stableford, with Secret Partners. The winners were:

Until **opening day on January 22<sup>nd</sup>**, 9 Hole players are asked to turn up around 9-9.15 am and play with whoever is there

**Saturday:** If you are wanting to play on Saturdays with the 9-hole Ladies please contact Tracey Bruce. [tracey.bruce@cdhb.health.nz](mailto:tracey.bruce@cdhb.health.nz) . All three had 13 Stablefords with Tracey winning on countback

**Sunday:** last Sunday the course was closed. The Sunday game will continue through the holiday season. Tee times booked for 10am

**Tuesday** This week they played stablefords, 1<sup>st</sup> Leigh with 20 Stablefords, 2<sup>nd</sup> Janice McPhail with 19 Stablefords and 3<sup>rd</sup> Micheal Healey with 17 Stablefords

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#### **General News:**

**Ladies AGM** – Ladies Club Captain- Anne Morgan  
Deputy Ladies Club Captain- Jenny Ahn  
Secretary - Tracey Bruce  
Treasurer – Carly Shaw,  
Committee- Leigh McEwen, Chris Hendry, Judith Bennetts.

#### **Trophy Winners 18 Hole:**

**LGU SILVER:** YUN OK

**LGU BRONZE:** MARY KUIPERS

**JOAN BISSET NETT WINNER:** SUSANAH KIM

**JOAN BISSET NETT RUNNER-UP:** ESTHER PARK

**CORINGA FOURSOMES** MARY KUIPERS & LOIDA SMART

**LILAH EDGAR WINNER:** YUN OK

**LILAH EDGAR RUNNER-UP:** CATHY SEO

**ACACIA WINNER:** MOONSOOK CHUNG

**ACACIA RUNNER-UP:** LOUISE CHEONG

**RHONA DAY** TINA PARK

**4BBB** MOONSOOK CHUNG & MIN JUNG

**VETERANS ROSE BOWL** MARY JUN

**JANET SHARP BISQUE PAR** LOIDA SMART

**BETTI VICAR SILVER:** MANDY SON

**BETTI VICAR BRONZE:** SUSANAH KIM

## Trophy Winners 9 Hole:

### Club Champion Division One:

Winner - Carly Shaw

Runner up -Tracy Bruce

Plate - Janice McPhail

**Rose Bowl Trophy** Leigh McEwen/ Janice McPhail

**Gail McCreaner Trophy**-Chris Hendry

**Nine Hole Best Nett Trophy**- Janice McPhail

**Nine Hole Stableford Trophy**- Janice McPhail

**LGU**- Chris Hendry

**Nine Hole Ringers (Front 9)**- Leigh McEwen

**Nine Hole Ringers (Back 9)**- Chris Hendry

**Nine Hole weekend Trophy**- Tracy Bruce

**Golden Turkey (Fun day Out)**-Vaughan McEwan

**Birdies**-Fay, Jay, Carly, Micheal

**Weasels** - Ellen (x4) Jay (x4)

### Division Two

Winner - Ellen Buttriss

Runner Up -Nic Preece

Plate- Judith Bennetts

Trophy and prize winners.



**Hamper Day Dec 14<sup>th</sup>.** The ladies are putting together a basket of goodies to raffle. Can everyone Please bring items that can go into the basket. No Alcohol. I will leave a box in the lady's office for items to be put in there. Big thank you to those who have contributed so far.

## **Tournaments:**

### **DON'T FORGET TO LOOK AT THE NOTICE BOARD AT THE BOTTOM OF THE STAIRS IN THE CLUB HOUSE**

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 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.

### ***18 Hole Tournaments and 9 Hole Tournaments***

Anne Morgan Ladies Club Captain

## **MENS REPORT**

### **This Saturday 29th November.**

An American Stableford competition off the White tees,

### **Last Saturday 22nd November.**

Was a Stableford competition off the Blue / White tees,

Congratulations to Peter Buckley who won the best gross today with a fantastic score of 69

There were some very surprising results among the divisions this week, most notably this one which sounds too dodgy to be true - Rouan Buitendag topped his division with 40pts??? What? Don't worry though an investigation is under way.

Congratulations to SY Park and Robin Wah, winning their divisions with 41pts.

But the overall best performance of the day goes to Richard Norris, who amassed an amazing 50pts in what surely must have been a personal best round, this is the first time since the new handicap system where I have seen anyone reach 50pts, an incredible round of golf Richard, congratulations to you.

I have had the great pleasure to get to know Richard Norris over the past year, he is one of the nicest gentleman you would ever meet, but last Saturday he was the most reviled golfer at Coringa, and I was also surprised to hear just how many people didn't know Richard, I only discovered this after I heard multiple times, *Who the @\$%&! is Richard Norris?*

After such a wonderful round of golf, I felt that everyone should get to know Richard, so I have posted a photo of him below, maybe I will hang it around the clubhouse for a while. Well done Richard.



Congratulations Richard Norris

50 Stableford Points

I ran short on time this week, Please see full results on the club website

[Click here to view Saturday results](#)

Congratulations to Robert Tibbotts on winning the 2's Jackpot this week, collecting \$94.

### **WEDNESDAY**

The group headed down the road to Ellesmere this week with a great group of 18 members travelling. The weather was a challenge to many with very strong nor-westerly's and greens running nicely although many of the pins were in difficult positions considering the forecasted strong winds. Our best performer was John Haddon with 35 points. Only five out of around 85 played to handicap.

#### **Coringa members results.**

##### **Division One:**

3rd.	John Haddon.	35(C/B)
5th.	Kevin Walker.	34
6th.	Garry Puddy.	33

##### **Division Two:**

We only had one raffle to Iain Findlater but our good old friend Sue Smith picked up three. No closest to pins.

## **Christmas 'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' (\$20 entry) tournament**

We will be having our usual monthly fundraising tournament combined with a **Christmas tournament on Wednesday 'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group' (\$20 entry) the 3rd of December** with our Christmas and usual prizes from our friends at **'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group', 'New World Bishopdale'** and wine purchased through **'Hancocks'**. As usual there will be three divisions of seven prizes in each and a spot prize from the **'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group'**.

Thanks to the **'Lone Star and Joes Garage Group'** and **'New World' Bishopdale** for your continuing support of the club and these tournaments throughout the year.

I have invited staff from the both firms and also other club sponsors including **'Golf Warehouse'** and **'The Range'** to participate within the tournament. Let's hope they attend.

The board and Match Committee have decided to keep the entry fee at \$20 this year.

Book yourself and your group in as bookings are flowing in.

**There will not be any further Wednesday tournaments until mid January and the newsletter will update on a starting date in 2026.**

Harv

## **THURSDAY GOLF**

On a sunny/windy Summer morning we had a field of 16 players turn up for the Thursday Golf tournament. Today's round was a Stableford competition.

The course was in superb condition and the greens were running true.

In first place today was David Potter who played extremely well for his 39 points. In 2<sup>nd</sup> place was evergreen Dougie Densem who also played very well for his 37 points. In 3<sup>rd</sup> place on countback was Seamus O'Cromtha who had 35 points, in 4<sup>th</sup> place was Doug Hillstead also on 35 points, and in 5<sup>th</sup> place on countback was Wing Gin on 35 points.

The most honest golfer today was John Robinson who played solidly for his 27 points.

We had one 2 today and this went to Paul Carpinter on hole 17.

### **Results**

1 <sup>st</sup>	David Potter	39 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dougie Densem	37 points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Seamus O'Cromtha	35 points
4 <sup>th</sup>	Doug Hillstead	35 points
5 <sup>th</sup>	Wing Gin on C/B	34 points

## Dates to Remember

- 4<sup>th</sup> December** Jerry Attick Trophy  
**11<sup>th</sup> December** Thursday Mens' Xmas Closing Day  
(Lunch and bumper prize day/Bert Fifield Trophy and Geoff Bassett trophy)  
**18<sup>th</sup> December** Thursday Mens Legends Day  
(Legends Day and presentation of this new trophy donated by Doug Ames)

Phil Olsen

## **GEOFF BASSETT CUP**

This trophy works on the same formula as the Shoot out. – The best 10 Stableford scores are averaged over the year From those playing on a Thursday morning.  
23 players have played 10 qualifying rounds this year .

With two rounds remaining Paul Gnad leads by almost a shot. Paul has been helped by three rounds in the 40's and three of 39. He leads from the ever consistent Paul Carpinter who has 10 qualifying rounds of 37 or better but has not posted the big numbers to challenge Paul.

Last years winner Tom White is making a late charge but it is probably a case of two little too late.

The trophy will be presented on December 11.

Here is the top 5

Paul Gnad	38.80
Paul Carpinter	37.90
Tom White	37.30
Phil Olsen	37.30
Doug Densem	36.90

Keith Yardley

## **TWILIGHT GOLF**

Another great turnout this week,  
Top prizes tonight go to Kimberley Chavez on 22pts, followed by Mat Chavez and Andrew Mackway-Jones on 21pts,  
Nelson Gaw, Graham Sweetman and Daron Weekes rounded out the top 5 with 20pts each.

Twilight golf is every Tuesday afternoon, tee off between 5 – 5.30pm, with an awesome Burger and Chips meal afterwards,  
Everyone is welcome,

**And Now...** This week's joke courtesy of Peter Bailey, - all complaints to Peter please, haha.

- **Smacking vs Tough Love**

Most people think it improper to smack children, so I have tried other methods to control kids when they have one of 'those moments.'

One that I found effective is for me to just take the child for a car ride and talk.

Some say it's the vibration from the car, others say it's the time away from any distractions such as TV, Video Games, Computer, iPod, etc.

Either way, my kids usually calm down and stop misbehaving after our car ride together. Eye to eye contact helps a lot too.

I've included a photo below of one of my sessions with my son, in case you would like to use the technique.



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

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