

PROSHOP UPDATE

The much anticipated Pro Shop changeover is now here! This has been happening behind the scenes for a number of months and is an exciting step for the Club to take. Firstly we must acknowledge and thank Andre White for contracting his services and business to the Club for the past 11 years. Andre has also been a huge help with implementing this change and as stated many times before in this newsletter we are very happy to have him on board going forward.

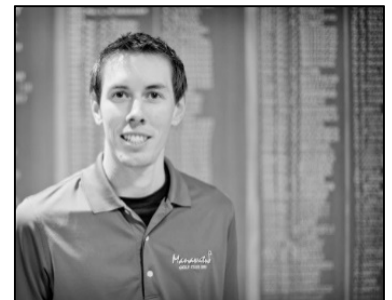
The Pro Shop will be closed on Monday 1 August and Tuesday 2 August in order to facilitate the changeover. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause but there are a number of things that need to be achieved in these two days.

We can also now announce some of the changes that will be in place from August 3 when we re-open. A number of comments and feedback have and will be taken on board from the recent Club survey with regards to the Pro Shop.

Firstly we will have an extra staff member (total 4) instead of the traditional three team members. We hope this will increase the service that we can offer from essentially the front door of the Club.

Alan Hyatt becomes the 'Director of Golf' and his main roles will include but are not limited to the following;

- Managing the Pro Shop (including the retail and the Pro Shop staff)
- Director of Coaching (Alan will continue to coach as well)
- Working closely with the Match Committee/other golf Committees to deliver the best possible Golf services/events for the members and as previously stated Alan will be out there on Saturday's playing with the members.



Alan Hyatt - Director of Golf



Andre White - Head Coach



Regan McConaghty
Apprentice Professional



Christine Rose - Pro Shop Services



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Andre will be focussing on coaching and running our corporate day events. Regan McConaghty will be undertaking the NZPGA apprenticeship and working in the shop and coaching juniors. Christine will be working in the shop and providing great service to members.

The Committee has decided to offer members a discount on Golf products in the shop of 7.5% off the RRP. This is similar to the café and bar where members are asked to swipe their card or state their membership number to receive the discount. We hope this will encourage members to support the Pro Shop as every cent of profit will go back into your Golf Club in one form or another.

We are very lucky to have two of the best coaches in New Zealand and we want as many members to make the most of this opportunity as possible. 30 minute Individual lessons with Alan or Andre will cost \$49.00. We are also introducing an under 16 lesson rate of \$29.00. Junior Golf is a really important focus for the Club and this new lesson rate for them will hopefully get more kids developing their game which will have long term benefits for the Club and Golf. There will be lesson packages available where if you pay up front for 6 lessons your 7th one is free, and if you buy 10 your 11th and 12th are free. We will also have a stamp card system where you can have your card clipped after each lesson and your 8th lesson is free.

Members also have an opportunity to add to your membership and become a 'Practice Range Member'. For \$295.00 for an individual or \$445.00 for two members of the same family you can have unlimited Golf Balls on the range for a year as well as some other benefits. See the poster in this newsletter for a full list of benefits, an early bird special and conditions. We have also extended the last time you can get a bucket from 4.30pm to 4.45pm.

We are also pleased to announce that our main suppliers of clubs to the Pro Shop will now include PING and Mizuno. They will be an addition to the current suppliers of Titleist, Callaway, Cobra Puma and Taylormade. We will be exclusive suppliers to our region with Taylormade and Callaway.

Our opening special for members from Wednesday 3 August through to Friday August 12 is 20% off all Clothing and Shoes. This is a fantastic offer so make sure you get in and see Alan and the team about this. If we don't have your size or style just ask and I am sure we can get it for you.

A number of positive things are happening in this area and we are sure members will get in behind and support this new venture for the Club. Remember that every dollar spent in the shop will go back into making your Club better!

Pro Shop Committee

JOIN AT THE GOLF SHOP
FROM 3 AUGUST 2016

RANGE MEMBERSHIP

AT THE MANAWATU GOLF CLUB

UNLIMITED RANGE BALLS SEVEN DAYS PER WEEK!

One 15% discount voucher for the Pro Shop
(to be used between 3 August & 30 September 2016)
Exclusive 'Range Member' Pro Shop specials each year
One complimentary seminar per annum on
'how to practice smarter'; run by the Pro Shop staff

INDIVIDUALS \$295.00 for 12 months
COUPLES \$445.00 for 12 months



LAUNCH SPECIAL

*All memberships sold in August and September
2016 will be valid until 30 September 2017
(That's up to 2 months extra FREE!)*

TERMS & CONDITIONS

For MGC members only. Range balls only distributed within Golf Shop hours of operation, (until 4.45pm each day). Membership is for an individual or couple only and Range Members are not to acquire balls for others to use. Couples are for two members of the same family (i.e. husband & wife, father & son). Members must present their card in the shop to collect balls. Membership is payable in one lump sum or a direct debit to be set up for a 12 month commitment. Membership is non-refundable regardless of membership status.



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EQUAL PLAYING RIGHTS

As some members will be aware the committee has been discussing Equal Playing Rights for both men and women on a Saturday. This issue was raised at the AGM in February and also at Committee level late last year.

The Committee has been discussing it for most of 2016 and it is quite a complex issue. We are though very close to formulating a proposal of how this may work and will be holding an 'information evening' in September that all members will be welcome to attend.

Some information will go out in a weekly email leading up to this to give members a full background on the topic. The date will be set shortly and we will communicate this to members as soon as it is set.

INVITATION TO TENDER FOR ACCOUNTING SERVICES

To ensure the Club continues to receive the best possible services for the benefit of our members, we would like to invite any interested CAANZ member firms to tender for the provision of accounting services to the Manawatu Golf Club Incorporated for a 12 month contract period from 1 October 2016 to 30 September 2017.

Full information on the accounting services required will be provided to those organisations who submit an expression of interest in writing by 10 August to Michael Williams at 19 Centennial Drive, Palmerston North
gm@manawatugolfclub.com

OUR COURSE RANKED 19TH IN NEW ZEALAND

Australian Golf Digest has just finished ranking the 40 courses in New Zealand and Manawatu has come in at number 19. This is a pretty good rating from a very respected golf magazine.

If you look at what courses make up New Zealand's top 20 we are in pretty elite company.

<http://www.australiangolfdigest.com.au/new-zealands-top-40-golf-courses/>



CLUB SURVEY

Thank you to all members who took the time to participate in the recent Club survey. In all we had 339 surveys returned which is a good sample to get some useful information. The overall feeling from the survey results was that members are generally pretty happy with the Club and the facilities/services on offer.

Some key points per section below:

Responses

257 Men responded to the survey and 82 Women. The length of time that the respondents had been a member was relatively equal across the 'range options'

Over 90% of new members to the Club who returned a survey said the Club was 'meeting their expectations' or 'exceeding their expectations'.

Carts

Carts are growing in demand and this will continue. A number on the survey indicated they would like to store a cart or hire one more regularly. Based on this the Committee will look closely at a cart policy throughout the rest of this year.

Communication

An overwhelming percentage are happy with the amount of communication that the Club is putting out.

Bar and Catering

The clubhouse operations received a lot of positive comments and good ratings across the different areas. See the table below for these.

	1	2	3	4	5	N/A	Total	Weighted Average
Quality	2.47% 7	1.06% 3	2.12% 6	26.86% 76	66.78% 189	0.71% 2	283	4.56
Service	2.12% 6	0.71% 2	2.83% 8	21.55% 61	72.08% 204	0.71% 2	283	4.62
Value for money	3.18% 9	3.53% 10	12.01% 34	36.04% 102	44.52% 126	0.71% 2	283	4.16
Food variety	2.12% 6	4.24% 12	8.83% 25	37.10% 105	45.94% 130	1.77% 5	283	4.23
Bar variety	2.47% 7	3.18% 9	6.71% 19	31.80% 90	49.47% 140	6.36% 18	283	4.31

CLUB SURVEY ... continued

Pro Shop

The feedback received in this section has been very helpful with the current venture being undertaken by the Club. Some changes that have come about because of the survey include a change to the Pro's Competition played on Wednesdays and Saturdays. This will include division winners and a 'two's' pool.

Course

Feedback on the course was positive with the greens and fairways rating very high but there was some negative feedback towards the quality of some of the Blue and White tee blocks (our main Club tees). Based on this feedback the Course Committee will be looking at the priorities for future development work over the next couple of months.

	1	2	3	4	5	N/A	Total	Weighted Average
Tee's	7.77% 22	13.07% 37	20.85% 59	33.92% 96	23.67% 67	0.71% 2	283	3.53
Fairways	1.41% 4	1.41% 4	4.95% 14	41.34% 117	50.53% 143	0.35% 1	283	4.39
Green surrounds	1.06% 3	2.47% 7	8.83% 25	42.40% 120	44.88% 127	0.35% 1	283	4.28
Greens	1.77% 5	1.41% 4	3.89% 11	34.28% 97	58.30% 165	0.35% 1	283	4.46
Bunkers	3.53% 10	11.66% 33	33.22% 94	33.57% 95	17.67% 50	0.35% 1	283	3.50
Paths	2.12% 6	9.19% 26	27.56% 78	41.34% 117	19.08% 54	0.71% 2	283	3.67
Gardens	1.77% 5	3.18% 9	20.49% 58	41.70% 118	32.16% 91	0.71% 2	283	4.00
Rough	1.77% 5	5.30% 15	25.44% 72	48.06% 136	19.08% 54	0.35% 1	283	3.78
On course toilets	2.12% 6	9.19% 26	21.55% 61	33.92% 96	27.56% 78	5.65% 16	283	3.80
Practice facilities	2.12% 6	3.18% 9	6.71% 19	32.16% 91	54.42% 154	1.41% 4	283	4.35
Carpark	1.41% 4	3.53% 10	9.54% 27	37.10% 105	47.00% 133	1.41% 4	283	4.27

Other general comments have provided food for thought for the Committee and a number of simple ideas put forward can be implemented easily. An example of this is the request for a mirror in each of the on course toilets. A simple thing and a great idea and we will be doing this as soon as we can.

Thank you to all members who took the time and effort to be part of this process.

2016 HOROWHENUA OPEN

A good number of Manawatu Golf club members travelled to Levin to play in the districts first order-of-merit event, the HMC Horowhenua Open on Sunday 24th July.

Unfortunately the weather was atrocious with gale force westerlies and occasional rain squalls. As a result the second round was cancelled for health and safety reasons after several large branches had come down during the morning play.

Tania Hook & David Ponse were the best of the club's players both coming third in the women and men's gross competitions respectively.

Both Robbie Spencer and Richard Shaw took away prizes for coming second equal in the men division 2 net competition.

Everyone will be hoping that the next order-of-merit event, the Ricoh Wanganui Open on August 21st at Belmont golf course has much better weather conditions!

Congratulations to the club members named in the first district representative teams (asterisk) to be held at Levin GC against Wellington.

2016 Horowhenua Open

Pos	Men	Gross
1	Tony Chettleburgh	75
2	Junior Tatana	75
3	David Ponse	76
11	Stu Smith*	81
12	Guy Perry*	81
17	Greg Shaw*	83
20	Regan McConaghty*	84
23	Robbie Spencer	84
30	Ben Clutterbuck	86
31	Tim Berry	87
37	Richard Shaw	88
39	Mark Denton	89
43	Jamie Connell	89
46	Bert Chang	90
51	Reid Perry*	91
54	Martyn Nail	93
55	Rodney Thomas	93
57	Than Dodds	94
58	Sam Smith	94
63	Kaleb Idemaru	95
67	Kirk Brough	96
70	Eric McKee	101

Pos	Women	Gross
1	Tara Raj	82
2	Jenny Ritchie	87
3	Tania Hook*	89
6	Mudra Lakhani*	90
12	Rebebba Hopper	98

CONGRATULATIONS



Danny Gainford - Hole in One

IN ASSOCIATION WITH KALEX WINES



Wine Match Dinner

AT THE MANAWATU GOLF CLUB



6.30pm, Saturday 6th August

\$85 per person

Exquisite four course meal expertly paired with five tasting wines presented by Julia Stephenson from **Kalex Wines, Central Otago.**

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CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

Saturday 25 June saw the completion of the 2nd round of the MacLennan. There was an upset on the final day with the 2014 winners, Peter McRedmond and Mark Gleeson losing to Tony Murphy and Dave Forrest.

That night saw the annual Calcutta held, with a good turnout. The starting pool was humungous. A big thank you to all who purchased tickets. Good luck to those who "bought a horse". Top money on the night was bid on Tom Hattle and Bruce Van Den Heever. A very confident Tom Hattle was determined to buy himself, which he did. The look on Bruce's face while Tom kept bidding higher and higher was priceless. Tom and Bruce lost their next round match unfortunately.

Saturday 2 July was Craigs Investment Partners Tankard day. This was won by a beaming Vice Club Captain, Richard Shaw, with 40 points. This was a great effort as Rich was playing with brand new clubs.

On Sunday the 3rd, our Zones team, comprising of Maurice Jackson (selector), Richard Shaw, Mike Hallam and Lachlan Hook, had a resounding victory over P/Nth at Feilding. Well done guys, impressive.

Saturday 16th the men hosted Palmerston North in the annual interclub. This resulted in the men being convincing winners, 41.5 to 31.5. P/Nth brought 50 players, a great turn out. Manawatu have now won the Bridewell Shield on 29 occasions, to P/Nth's 11. Superb!

A reminder to please replace divots and repair pitch marks. There are shoe sized divots that are not being replaced, NOT GOOD ENOUGH! We have a fantastic course, let's look after it.

I would like to thank Andre' for his massive contribution to the Match Committee over the past four years I have been running it, and also the years prior. Andre' has been of huge assistance to me and the team. With the changes to the Pro Shop, we welcome Alan on board, and look forward to working with him.

Finally, a big thank you to the 9 holers for putting up with me on their "roadie" to Wairakei and Tauhara. A couple of memorable nights/days with a fantastic group of our members.

Brent Cawthray – Club Captain



July Craigs Investment Partners Tankard winner
Men's Vice Club Captain Richard Shaw



Mark Jones from Palmerston North Golf Club
handing over the shield to Club Captain
Brent Cawthray

2016 MEN'S CLUB CHAMPS

QUALIFYING DATES:

SAT 13th AUGUST &
SAT 20th AUGUST

Best round to count toward
matchplay qualifying

FINALS DAY:

SUN 6th NOVEMBER

See programme book for round dates

All 18 hole male members with full
playing rights are eligible to enter



Senior - up to 8.5 Black tees

Junior - 14.3 to 18.8

Intermediate - 8.6 to 14.2

C Grade - 18.9 to 37.2



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COURSE REPORT

As yet another month passes winter has arrived. July has been a wet month, and temperatures have dropped slightly.

Greens are rolling consistent and smooth. They have been fertilised and aerated on a regular basis.

Tees and surrounds have been fertilised and are holding up well with good cover.

There are many wet areas around the course due to the conditions, please be aware of these areas and avoid them.

Paths are being edged and cleaned up throughout the course and will continue to be done.

Cape daisy is being sprayed individually to gain some control as much as possible.

Continue to repair pitch marks and replace divots.

Please stick to the paths around the course. Two are noticeably not being used, at the back of the 9th green to the 10th tee please don't cut in front of the 9th green, also on the 4th blue tee the bank is slippery so please stick to the path.

Enjoy your golfing month. All the best to those entering Club Champs qualifying.

Golf humour: "Whoever said 'practice makes perfect' obviously never played golf!"

Kiel Stechman – Greenkeeper



Trent enjoying his OE experience!

STAFF PROFILE – CAMPBELL DEVANEY



Campbell started work with the greens keepers in March of this year. He came across from the Palmerston North Golf Club where he spent three years on their greens keeping team. Campbell has almost finished his greens keeping apprenticeship. He is 21 and was educated here in Palmerston North at St Peters College.

Campbell is also a keen Golfer and has a handicap of 12. His favourite course other than Manawatu is Paraparaumu and his favourite hole at the Manawatu Golf Club is the par 5 5th.

Outside of Golf, Campbell is into a number of other sports and enjoys watching Marist and Kia Toa play Club Rugby.

Campbell has aspirations to be a Course Manager one day.



FATHER'S DAY ROAST

AT THE MANAWATU GOLF CLUB

SUNDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER

Bring your family down and enjoy a delicious roast meal at the Manawatu Golf Club to celebrate your Dad

HAPPY HOUR 5PM – 6PM / BUFFET SERVED AT 6PM

\$30 per adult, kids under 15 pay their age.

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WOMENS GOLF

Another month almost over. This month has been fairly quiet but the weather has played its part as expected. We have had 26 on a fine day and then down to only 17 finishing the round on the wet days.

Palmerston North Interclub

This is held annually and this year we travelled to PN club. We entered on line this year and this worked extremely well. Our hosts then did a draw and Michael posted it on our website. This worked very well and a large number of Saturday Ladies attended. This must be the way to the future!!!!

We had a great result with an average stableford point of 30.45 and PN 28.65. So well done to our players. Two of the Mid-week ladies had very high scores. Elizabeth Lander had 39 points and Helen Weber 37. So now the Joan Prout Salver is back in our trophy cupboard.

Club Championships

Tuesday 26th and Sat 30th July saw the start of the Club Championship Qualifying Rounds. This year we have 3 rounds spread over around 6 weeks. This will allow everyone to get a chance to qualify in at least 1 round as that is all that is required. We are going back to 16 qualifiers so we would like numbers entering please. This is your chance to become the 2016 Club Champion. Give it a go and you will find the competition great for your golf.

When you print your card out you will have the option of saying Yes/No to qualifying.

The dates are in the book for all the qualifying rounds and then also the dates for the 1st round (by 2nd Oct), 2nd Round (by 15th Oct) and the Semi (by 30th Oct) and Finals Day (Sunday 6th Nov). So check your diaries and mark these dates as VIP.

This is the most important competition of the year and the Qualifying rounds are just that, and not to be played in conjunction with any matches. So please arrange your matches outside these dates or ask your committee for an extension.

Senior 9 Hole Ladies

We have been searching the old registers lately as some of these wonderful ladies are approaching or have reached 50 years of membership. This is a marvellous achievement and the Committee are working on a special celebration to recognise this.

The Register locked away downstairs made very interesting reading, and thanks to Karen Russell for going through all those dates. If you know of anyone, or know when you joined please let the office know so they can update their electronic files with your start date.

Thanks Sue!

A big thank you to Sue McOviney who earlier this month kindly shouted all the Tuesday Ladies coffee and cake as she has now left the district to start a new life at the Mount. Sue promises she will be back to play and visit us all often. We wish her well.

WOMENS GOLF ... continued

Charity Day 20th October

Our charity this year is the Blue Light, a registered charity whose aims are to:

- Reduce Youth Crime
- Build Community Partnerships
- Build Young Peoples' Self Esteem
- Enhance Community Safety
- Build Positive Youth and Police Partnerships.

Emily McMellon, Senior Constable & Youth Aid Officer came to the Club on Tuesday 26 July and talked to the women about her work. We found it all very interesting and look forward to working with her to raise money through our open Charity Golf Day. We will let you know more about the format in next month's newsletter.

You will note that the date of the 20th October is different to the date in the book. This is because of a clash with a 6x6x6 Tournament in Otaki.

We are looking for a sponsor for this tournament. If anyone is interested in finding out how they can support the cause and the tournament, please contact Mike Williams (gm@manawatugolfclub.com) to discuss further.

Bus Trip

I do hope you have all answered the questionnaire of which trip you would prefer on the 24th September. Just let your convenor's know as we will be making a decision soon. We are running a raffle to help with funds for the trip which is down in the Clubhouse now.

Good luck and Good golfing.

Angela Pivac - Womens Club Captain

THE GREAT DUCK RESCUE

A few weeks ago kitchen hand Debbie noticed a lame duck at the lagoon that appeared to have been run over. She spent almost a month feeding it left over bread from the Club but it was not getting any better.

Operation Duck Rescue swung into action with kitchen staff Nikki, Kath and Debbie eventually catching the duck and taking it to Turakina Bird Sanctuary. It is now being evaluated weekly and we are hoping it will be back to full health and returned to the lagoon again soon!



2016 WOMEN'S

CLUB CHAMPS

QUALIFYING DATES:

TUES 26th/SAT 30th JULY

TUES 16th/SAT 20th AUGUST

TUES 30th AUG/SAT 3rd SEPT

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matchplay qualifying

FINALS DAY:

SUN 6th NOVEMBER

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rights are eligible to enter



3 Divisions

Silver - up to 18.4

Bronze 1 - 18.5 to 23.9

Bronze 2 - 24.0 to 40.4



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ARE YOU READY FOR RETIREMENT? – Part 2/3

“Research shows that many are leaving their retirement plans to the last minute”

This is the second in a series of ‘Are you ready for retirement?’ articles.

The first article can be found in June’s newsletter.

Gavin and Jenny look at each other before posing the question we know is coming. “What do you mean we have a 25% probability that we can retire now?”

At this point, we have to jump in.

“It’s not that you have a 25% probability of being able to retire. You have a 100% probability of being able to retire. That choice is totally yours. Our job is just to ensure your portfolio will provide you with the retirement you want, and it’s our job to be honest no matter what. As we run the numbers, it doesn’t add up. But don’t worry, there’s good news coming...”

“What’s the good news?” Gavin interjects with a smirk. Let’s just take a step back and review...

Gavin was a successful executive and had worked his way up to the top of his division. With that came increased income and improved lifestyle. However, stress was the unwelcome companion and now Gavin wanted to walk away, earlier than planned. That’s why they were talking to us.

Gavin and Jenny are both 60 so they are looking at five years of higher withdrawals (taking them to age 65), and then 30 years of lower withdrawals (thanks to government superannuation). They both feel 95 is a very generous life expectancy – unfortunately, both sets of parents have passed away, none living past age 86.

All the above looks achievable, and indeed it may be. But we know that the future is uncertain. So, rather than Gavin and Jenny simply crossing their fingers and hoping for the best, we can look at the probability that a portfolio invested in 60% shares and 40% bonds can produce the planned withdrawals and leave their two children the estate they’re hoping.

And the answer is...it’s unlikely to. We calculate the probability at approximately 25%, which is far too low – Gavin and Jenny want at least 75% certainty built into their plans.

That can perhaps be summarised as the bad news, but we prefer to call it the honest reality. Fortunately, there’s a path forward. You see, as much as Gavin and Jenny want a definite lifestyle and to leave an estate, they also have flexibility.

For example, we ask Gavin and Jenny, “you’d like to leave an estate of \$400,000, in today’s dollars, for your children. Is that set in stone or is there some flexibility there?”

Gavin cuts in, “Yes”. But Jenny looks less sure.

Gavin, sensing his wife’s uneasiness, says, “listen honey, we’re leaving them the house. That’s paid for and worth at least \$750,000 now, and it may increase in value.”

Jenny responds, “true, but I’d like to leave at least \$100,000 in the portfolio for each of them, to tide them over until the property settles.”

Gavin turns to us, “I agree. But yes, we do have some flexibility with that one.”

It turns out that, when we pose the question properly, they have flexibility on most items.

It was now obvious to everyone in the room that certain factors just meant a lot more to Gavin and Jenny than others. And in order to do our job properly, we really need to understand that.

“Gavin and Jenny, you’ve done a great job thinking through your flexibility here. But it’s clear to everyone that some of these items are a higher priority than others. Let’s talk about your priorities. Of all the above, what’s the most important factor to making your retirement what you most want it to be?”

First and foremost, they have no more money to put into the portfolio. This is everything. There’s no flexibility there. We rank that number one, for obvious reasons.

For the next highest priority, the tone of Gavin’s voice says it all. Work is a stress. He exclaims, “I feel if I work another two years, I’ll live five less.”

Check. ‘Retire now’ goes next on the list. And since they can’t save if they’re retired, we put that factor with it.

This wasn’t an easy conversation. As is often the case, husband and wife have different priorities and have never really discussed them. However, putting everything on the table, Gavin and Jenny were very accepting about what the other wanted. We’re told that some of the most honest conversations partners have, occur in our offices. It’s just about asking the right questions.

And here’s the good news for Gavin and Jenny. “Not only can you retire, but you can retire right now, with high confidence your portfolio can provide for you.” The look on Gavin’s face says it all, “Thank you!”

Jenny looks at Gavin, genuinely pleased with how happy he is, “but how?”

Ah, let’s explain that...in our next article.

If you’d like to discuss your retirement plans with one of our advisers at Tailorednz Limited please phone us on 06 350 0451 to arrange an appointment.
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VODAFONE MENS' CLUB CHAMPS 2016

The two rounds of qualifying for Men's Club Champs are on Saturday August 13th and Saturday August 20th. These are stroke rounds (so there are no gimmies).

You will qualify based on your best **gross** round over these two Saturdays. Morning players can enter as per the normal start sheet however if play is cancelled due to frosts, bad luck.

There are club draws for those who wish to play in the afternoons, entry as per "Event Registration" page on the Manawatu Golf Club's webpage <http://www.manawatugolfclub.com/members-area/>

When getting your card you must press the "Qualifying" button on the touch screen.

Seniors (up to 8.5 handicap index) play off the Black tees, all other grades play off Blue tees.

For the club draws we will do our best to match players of similar handicap index.

We **will not** honour any requests for playing partners or tee preference.

We will try to alternate start tees over the 2 rounds, e.g. seniors off 1st tee in round 1 and 10th tee in round 2.

If you are planning that long overdue holiday in September or October then please don't enter as no dispensations will be given during the rounds.

The top 16 in each grade qualify for the Main draw (matches played off the stick), and the next 16 qualify for the Handicap draw (shots given based on handicap). First round losers in either the Main or Handicap draws enter Flights (left hand side of draw sheets in Card room).

We suggest you organise and try and play your matches early.

Qualifying scores were very tight in 2015, for example in the intermediate grade there were 7 scores of 85 which was the "cut". Tied scores are ranked by count back from the 18th hole, so in 2015 four players with 85 qualified in the top 16. The Vice Club Captain missed out due to a double bogey on the 17th!

Round 1 matches to be played by 18 September, round 2 and round 1 flights by 15 October. Semi-finals and semi-final flights to be played by 30 October. All finals to be played on Sunday 6th November at times provided by the match committee.

This year major finals (Senior (<9 handicap), Intermediate (9 to 15 handicap), Junior (16 to 20 handicap) and C-grade finals (21 to 40 handicap) are all to be played over 36 holes with the other matches played over 18 holes.

Best of luck!

ALL BLACKS VS SOUTH AFRICA

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RULES CORNER

This month we will run a short quiz to revise some situations covered over the last 18 months in this forum – all aimed at getting everyone ready for the forthcoming club championship qualifying rounds.

It is also worth repeating here the basic piece of advice regarding the game – *Play the ball as it lies, play the course as you find it, and if you cannot do either, do what is fair. But to do what is fair, you need to know the Rules of Golf.*

Question 1. John is playing a qualifying round with Ian acting as his caddie. John plays his third stroke from a greenside bunker and the ball comes to rest above the tip of the hole and against the flagstick. Ian, in his excitement, carelessly removes the flagstick and causes John's ball to move about 10cm from the hole. The ruling is:

- a) John is penalised 1 stroke and must play the ball as it lies
- b) John is penalised 1 stroke, must place the ball on the lip of the hole and putt out
- c) John is penalised 1 stroke and the ball is considered holed
- d) John incurs no penalty the ball is considered holed
- e) John incurs no penalty. He must replace the ball on the lip of the hole and putt out

Question 2. Simon is playing in a stroke event. While searching for his ball, he accidentally stands on it leaving the ball embedded. What is the correct procedure?

- a) No penalty – Simon should proceed under the local rule covering an embedded ball through the green
- b) Simon incurs a 1 stroke penalty and then proceeds under the embedded ball local rule
- c) Simon incurs a 1 stroke penalty. He must place the ball within 1 club length of the original position that has the most similar lie

Question 3. Tim and Bill are playing a match. Both balls lie on the putting green – Bill marks his ball first and as he steps back, he accidentally moves Tim's ball. What is the ruling?

- a) No penalty to either player, Tim must replace his ball
- b) No penalty to either player, Tim must play his ball from its new position
- c) Bill is penalised 1 stroke and Tim must replace his ball

Question 4. In a qualifying round, James hits his tee shot into the trees on the LHS of the 2nd fairway. After searching for 3 minutes without finding the ball, he decides to go back to the tee to hit a provisional ball leaving his playing partners to continue searching for his original ball. After hitting his provisional ball and on his way back to join the group, his original ball is found just inside the 5 minute search time. James proceeds to hole out in 5 strokes with his original ball and then completes his round. Later in the clubhouse, the committee are made aware of these events. What action should the committee take?

- a) Let James score as returned stand
- b) Impose a 2 stroke penalty on James for hitting a wrong ball
- c) Disqualify James for not holing out on the second hole with the correct ball

RULES CORNER ANSWERS

Question 1. (e) See Rule 17-4. The ball resting against the flagstick above the level of the hole is NOT holed – if the player, or another person authorised by the player, carefully removes the flagstick to allow the ball to fall into the hole, then the player is deemed to have holed out with his previous stroke. If the ball is *moved* it must be placed on the lip of the hole without penalty.

Question 2. (c) See Rule 20-3b. When Simon stood on the ball, he caused it to move (movement can be vertical as well as horizontal) and under Rule 18-2 he incurs a penalty of 1 stroke – he must replace the ball and as his actions altered the original lie, he must proceed under Rule 20-3b and place the ball at the nearest lie most similar to the original lie that is not nearer the hole, within 1 club length of the original lie and not in a hazard. He cannot proceed under the embedded ball rule as the ball was not embedded in its own pitch mark.

Question 3. (c) See Rule 18-3c. Bill caused Tim's ball to move in an "other than search" situation thus he incurs a 1 stroke penalty and Tim must replace his ball. With the increased use of carts on our course – it is important the players driving same exercise extreme care to avoid accidentally running over an opponent's ball – as they would incur the same penalty that Bill suffered. In stroke play, if a ball is moved by a fellow competitor, no penalty applies and the moved ball must be replaced.

Question 4. (c) The second ball James played from the tee was NOT a provisional ball – see Rule 27-2. This second ball became the ball in play as soon as James hit it from the tee and he is required to abandon his original ball (even if found inside the 5 minute search time) and proceed with the second ball. His failure to do this and not correcting his mistake before hitting from the next tee automatically incurs the ultimate penalty – disqualification.

Ian Anderson

STAFF PROFILE – CHRISTINE ROSE

I joined up to play golf 4 ½ years ago and haven't looked back, it is a sport I love playing even on the "challenging" days.

Working in the office here is great and a big change from my previous career working for the Ambulance Service which I did for 20 years.

I am really looking forward to being part of the Pro Shop team, another exciting challenge!



JUNIOR CORNER

During the July school holidays the club's juniors had a number of events to play in. First up was the Paraparaumu Beach Golf Club Junior open and while the weather was stunning none of the club's juniors were placed. Jamie Connell did however have the 2nd best drive amongst the U19s in a driving contest held down the 18th after play had finished.



We hosted Napier Golf club juniors for 2 days of match play in the second week of the holidays. Surprisingly the visitors prevailed beating the locals. The golf was played in great spirit and well done to Campbell, Jamie, Ethan, Mudra, Kaleb, Sam, Eric, Steven and Zane for playing especially with the wet conditions on day 2.



Junior Captains Steven Bamford and Sebastian Kettle with the Cup donated by Napier Golf Club

Greg Shaw was invited to attend a NZ golf junior training camp held at Harewood in Christchurch. Unfortunately a poorly timed sinus infection laid Greg out and he was unable to participate.

At the end of the holidays some juniors played in a fun junior competition at Leven GC followed by the Horowhenua open two days later.

It's good to see a number of the juniors playing on Saturdays, please give them some positive encouragement.



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We have good numbers coming out and braving the elements and it is great to see our new members so keen.

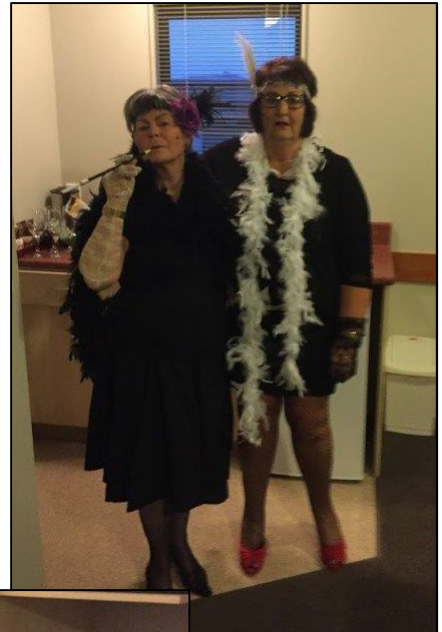
Congratulations to Carmen Fraser and Grant Bleaken on winning the Walker/Georgel Cup. Well done !!

We are up to the semi-finals for the Gillespie and Lavender Cups. Well done to those still going and good luck for the rest of the tournament.

We had a group of 24 go on a "Roadie" to Wairakei. A very enjoyable fun trip. We played nine holes at Turangi on the way up, had a fun pizza night at the motel together Wednesday night and then 18 holes at Wairakei on Thursday.

The Men's winner was Alva Joe, and the Ladies winner Colleen Fraser. Best 18 holer was Brent Cawthray. Then it was out for dinner Thursday night, before we played at Tauhara course on the way home.

I hope the first time roadies enjoyed their trip and thanks to Murray and Judy for their great organisation once again.



Our course has been in great condition to play on for this time of year. All credit to the greenkeepers.

Colleen Fraser



NEW MEMBERS

The Committee would like to confirm their acceptance to the Club of the following new members who applied in June 2016.

Full playing men – Wallace Campbell, Charles Kerr

Restricted Junior Boys – Flyn Yates, Maea Kawana

Tertiary men – Michael Wickham, Josh Hanretty

Under 25 men – Chicago Wiperi

Under 30 men – Ben Clutterbuck

Tertiary women – Yuen Tung Lee

During this same period, 8 members resigned bringing our total membership number to 1013 members. We wish our resigned members all the best and welcome our new members, we are sure you will enjoy your time at the Club.

TEMPORARY MEMBERS

The following individuals have recently applied for membership to the Club and been granted temporary membership status while their applications are reviewed by the Membership Committee.

If accepted, membership will be confirmed once these applications have been ratified by the Main Committee later this month.

Full playing men – Daniel Roe, Ryan Coombes, Jon Bryant

Restricted Junior Boys – Mitchell Lowe

Under 30 men – Ben Clutterbuck

Tertiary women – Panithi Amatayakul, Komkiew Pinpimai

NEW MEMBERS FUN DAY

On Sunday 17th July around a dozen new members came down to enjoy an afternoon of golf.

Organisers Richard and Christine were both unwell that day so huge thanks to Karen and Brent who stepped in to make sure these new members got underway and had a good day.

All members who have joined in the last 12 months will receive an email invitation for these days each month. This is a great opportunity to play in a relaxed environment while meeting other new players.

THIS MONTH IN THE HOKOWHITU CAFÉ & BAR

End of Year Christmas Functions

Bookings are coming in fast so don't leave it too late to book your Christmas function here at the Club. Create your own event or book one of our great value Christmas packages that include a fun golf activity, fingerfood, non-alcoholic punch, buffet or set menu meal and a private function room for only \$60 per person. Contact Stephanie for more information on events@manawatugolfclub.com or 357 8793 ext 4.

Members discount for private functions – 30 % discount off venue hire

Don't forget that members can get a 30% discount off venue hire for a personal event held at the Club. *Please note discount does not apply to members who have business or corporate bookings and the members Café and Bar discount does not apply for functions.*

Friday Dining

The Café team continue to provide delicious meals on Friday evenings right through winter so give them a call on 357 8793 ext 3 to book a table.

Jams, Chutneys & Frozen Meals

Jams, chutneys and a constantly changing selection of frozen meals are always available from the Café. These are all made on the premises by our talented team so make sure you check out the selection next time you're in the Clubhouse.

Congratulations Nikki Ousey

For the past 3 years Nikki has been completing an in-house apprenticeship to become a trade qualified chef. Under the tutelage of Kath Slack, she has perfected many cooking techniques while working in our busy Café and function centre.

Her apprenticeship was monitored by an assessor who travelled up regularly from Wellington to supervise her preparation of a range of complex dishes and assess her capabilities in a number of different areas.

We are pleased to confirm she passed her final assessment in July and is now a fully qualified Chef.

Nikki wanted to pass on her thanks to the Club for all the support and help she received to allow her to achieve this goal.

Congratulations Nikki!



Please note this programme is subject to change. Please remember to always check and book via the tee sheets on the Club website or at the card room kiosk for available tee times.

MEN WOMEN MIXED EVENT

August

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 Manawatu Monday Club, 11.30am start	2 Stableford	3 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Stableford	4 Thursday Club	5	6 Tankard Club Draw 9 Hole: Stableford Stableford	7 MacLennan Round 3 Consolation to be completed Imlay Saunders Consolation 2nd round to be completed
8	9 Par	10 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Stroke 1st Qualifying Round Club Championships	11	12	13 Stroke. Round 1 Club Champs Qualifying (best round of 2) 9 Hole: Stroke 1st Qual Round Club Champs Par	14 Semi-Final MacLennan to be completed. Imlay Saunders semi- final to be completed.
15	16 LGU 2nd Qualifying Round Club Championships	17 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Par. Final Lavender/Gillespie to be completed	18 NuView Wealth Solutions Business House (pm)	19	20 Stroke. Round 2 Club Champs Qualifying (best round of 2) 9 Hole: Par LGU 2nd Qualifying Round Club Champs	21
22	23 Pro Shop Stableford	24 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Stroke 2nd Qualifying Round Club Championships	25 Thursday Club	26	27 Par. 9 Hole: Stroke 2nd Qualifying Round Club Champs Pro Shop Stableford	28 MacLennan Round 4 Cons. to be completed; MacLennan final to be completed Imlay Saunders Cons. semi-final to be compl.
29	30 LGU - 3rd Qualifying Round Club Championships	31 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Stableford				

UPCOMING GOLF EVENTS


- Sun 4 Sep: Junior PGA Championship cancelled
- Sat 3 Sep: Craigs Investment Partners Tankard Draw
- Mon 5 Sep: Manawatu Monday Club 11.30am
- Thu 15 Sep: NuView Wealth Solutions business house
- Thu 22 Sep: Devils Own Practice Day
- Fri 23-Sun 25 Sep: Devils Own Tournament
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SOCIAL EVENTS

Your Membership Committee arrange social events from time to time. These are always great nights and your chance to meet other members or bring friends and family to experience our fantastic Club. If you have ideas for future events or can contribute in any way please contact the Club office.

- 6 Aug: Wine Match dinner with Kalex Wines
- 4 Sep: Fathers Day Roast
- 17 Sep: All Blacks v South Africa

As part of our ongoing support of the Arohanui Hospice, we would like to invite all members to support this great fundraising event being held here at the Club.



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