

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is with a feeling of real pride that I write my first piece for the club newsletter, as the newly elected President. This is a role which had never been on my radar, until I started getting a lot of approaches during the latter part of 2018. Also after 6 years as Club Captain and with Pete standing down, the timing was right for a new challenge.

The AGM was held on Monday – thanks to all who attended.

As you will know by now, we have a new looking committee, and I am really pleased to welcome Grayson Joines as Vice President, Alva Joe as Treasurer, and Chris Edsall onto the main committee. They each bring a mix of business and life skills which will be of benefit to the club.

It is great for the club that we have retained the experience of Rob Green and Warren Vining, who join Rodney Thomas (Ralph) on the committee. Vicki Worker continues in her vital role as Women's Rep, a position she has held for 7 years.

Congratulations to Rich on becoming Club Captain. As you all know, he has worked tirelessly in the background for the past 6 years, and now he will be front and centre.

It would be remiss not to pay tribute to Scott Haumaha for his timeless work as Treasurer over the past three years. Scotty has been a real pleasure to work with and will be missed.

Thanks also to David Petre for his work as Vice President and on the Finance sub-committee.

We have had a very successful opening day, and congratulations to Tarnea and Brian Leslie and Helen and Brian Wilkinson on sharing the honours for the Queenan Memorial Salver with 42 pts, superb.

Pennants kicks off shortly, good luck to all of our teams. We have a history steeped in success, and long may it continue.

All the very best with your golf and health for 2019.

Brent



## MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

February is here already, and I trust everyone had an enjoyable time with family and friends over the Xmas new Year period. The golfing year has kicked in with Opening Day been and gone for another year. The programme is all set and I wish all the members a successful golfing year. The final proof of the programme booklet has been sent to the printers and we are expecting these back within a week. These can't be printed any earlier as we have to wait for the elected Club Officers coming out of the Annual General Meeting to be included in the booklet.

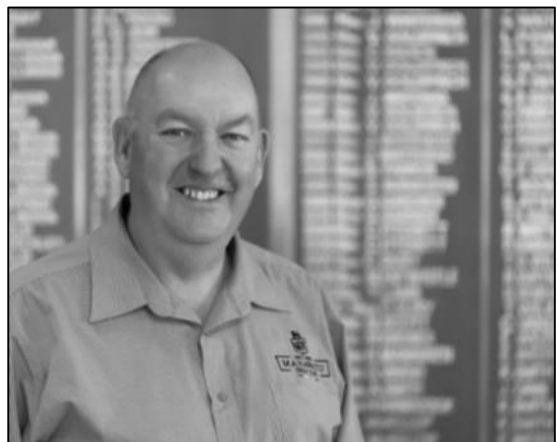
The Annual General Meeting is another event that has passed by for another year. Congratulations to Grayson Joines, Alva Joe and Chris Edsall on their appointments. I certainly look forward to working with them along with new President, Brent Cawthray. It will be changing times for me with a new President as in my term I have only worked with Peter. I thank Peter for his commitment and support to me during his term. Life in the Office will be different now.

It was very pleasing to see the number of members in attendance for the Information Evening on the Wallace Development negotiations. As always when there are presentations like this, useful comments come forward and at this meeting, this is what we received. We can confirm we now have an additional clause in the covenant covering any future development of the Golf Club land. As mentioned in the presentation, we have successfully negotiated to have payments for the realignment to be spread and paid in advance. There is also an additional clause around a guarantee from WDCL. Once the final agreement has been checked over by the Club's honorary solicitor the agreement will be signed. Work with the two course architects has now got a lot more serious and when we have some definite drawings to show on the 12th hole realignment, we will have these on display. Changing times for the Club that is for sure.

A special welcome to all the new members who will be receiving the newsletter for the first time. We are experiencing positive strong comments from the new members and certainly appreciate this feedback. At all times if there anything you need clarification on, please call in at the office.

Good golfing everyone

**Warren Collett – General Manager**



Great turn out for the Wallace Development Presentation



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## Pro Shop

Happy New Year everyone,

I hope you all managed to get a holiday/break over the Christmas and New Year period as we all did here in the shop. I hope 2019 brings you a lot of success on and off the golf course.

If you have been in the shop over the last few weeks you may have noticed a change in staff. Guy Perry worked his last day for us on the 5th of January. Guy wanted to focus on playing more and his playing schedule unfortunately meant that he could no longer work in the shop. Guy has been a massive help to us in the shop and he will be missed. We wish him all the best with his playing future. Tim Berry, who some of you may have already met or have met prior to working in the shop, has been a member at Manawatu Golf Club for almost three years. Tim has just finished his Bachelor of Sport and Exercise at Massey and now wants to start a career in golf. Welcome Tim and best of luck with putting up with Andre, Ben, Lisa and I!!!

What's new in the world of golf:

Wow it's going to take a bit of time to get used to people putting with the flag stick in!!!!

The PGA Tour and European tour are in full swing already. The start of the year is even more condensed now with the Players Championship moved forward to March and the PGA Championship that is normally the final major of the year now slots in between the Masters and US Open! So this means some great viewing of golf over our summer!!!

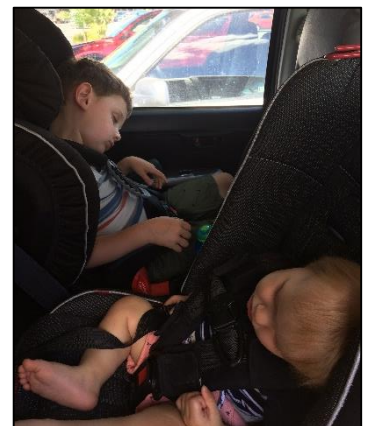
Right is a photo of my two boys, Austin & Tristin while we were down in Nelson visiting family over the holidays. I think we may have done too much driving over the holidays as they even have their sleeping techniques synchronised!!!!!!

**Just remember if you have any questions regarding your game please don't hesitate to ask us, we are here to help!**

Your Proshop team - Alan, Andre, Ben, Lisa and Guy



Tim Berry has been playing golf for the last 6 years after starting when he was 15 years old. He is also a keen squash player. His parents own Arataki Honey so he is also a bit of a bee keeper in his spare time!





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## A message from the Club Captain

Welcome everyone to the 2019 golf season. We are already flying into the year with some great successes. First a well patronaged Opening day produced two teams tied in first place with 42 points in the Canadian foursomes. Well done to Brian & Helen Wilkinson and Brian and Tarnea Leslie whose names will now be engraved on the Queenan Memorial Salver. And well done to Vicki Bryson who won the carpark raffle.

One of our young up and coming stars, Lily Griffin, started the year in style, winning the Maraenui Open and then a week later came 2nd in the Hastings Open!

Big congratulations must go to Angus Findlay for winning the Joe Kells Memorial at Palmerston North, the first order-of-merit event for MWGA in 2019. At the same event one of our stars in the ProShop, Lisa Herbert came second in the PN Classic women's event.

For the men the season starts with the Craigs Investment Partners Tankard on February 2nd. Thanks to Ewan Westergaard who has kindly continued with sponsoring this monthly event for 2019. The following Saturday (9th) sees qualifying for the B&A and Watson Cup handicap match play events with the top qualifier winning the Kenneth Neal Trophy.

The AGM went by with just a few matters arising. Well done to retiring treasurer Scott, he has set a new standard in presenting easy to follow summaries of the Club's accounts. For me as the new Club Captain I will be reinvestigating a suitable solution for the abnormal relief issue down the left of the 9th hole. We will look to see if we can rejig the season so that Club Champs qualifying/matches are played in the better/drier months of the year. In 2018 the match committee produced a Policy doc that helps this committee give consistent rulings. Once revisited by the '19 match committee we will make this available.

Good luck to those entering the Masters Games Golf in Wanganui. Might see you there!

Richard Shaw - Club Captain

## MENS GOLF - Information for Manawatu Golf Club Men's Competitions in 2019

### Saturday Men's Stroke play competitions

Saturday 2nd February marks the start of the Saturday competitions for 18-hole men. Pretty much every Saturday for the next 9 months there will be either a Net, Stableford or Par club competition. To enter all you have to do when you get your card out is to choose "Yes" for the Saturday competition (note this is different to the Proshop Competition). Over the season we will allocate points for your position in the field each Saturday based on the original USPGA tour FEDEX cup points system. Each Saturday scores in Division 1 and Division 2 are downloaded from Dotgolf and the top golfer awarded 500 points, points are then allocated down to 70th place (1 point). The divisions are based on handicap less than 16 (Division 1) and 16 or greater (Division 2). For the last 5 years the average handicap of men playing on Saturday has consistently been around 16.

As we have done for a few years now the overall points table combined from all 3 strokeplay competitions (Stroke, Stableford and Par) is published throughout the season so you can see how you are doing relative to your peers.



Ralph Thomas winner of the Craigs Tankard

## MEN'S GOLF CONTINUED...

### 2019 Men's Shootout

If you wish to enter the shootout you will also need to enter the Saturday Club Competition for your scores to count. In the Card room is a table of ALL Saturday players from last season so you can see your top 8 stableford scores over the 2018 season. Entry to the Shootout is \$30.00 to be paid by March 15th for results in Feb-Mar rounds to count. You may enter later in the season, but qualifying rounds start from when the entry fee is paid. Pay money to Warren Williams, Richard Shaw or the office.

The top 19 golfers entered in the shootout at the end of the season will then play off over 18 holes on Sunday October 20th. In the final the player with the worst net score on each hole is eliminated. Ties are decided by a chip-off.

2019 qualification will be based on the entrant's 8 best Saturday Stableford scores over the season. Please note: "gimmes" should only be accepted once zero points are available.

Qualifying starts Sat 2nd Feb and ends on Sat Oct 12th. If a tie exists for the 19th position, there will be a playoff down the 18th after play on Saturday 19th October 2019.

Every Saturday round (am or pm) will be eligible, except for Saturdays with an away inter-club fixture and Opening day. When getting your card, you must enter "Yes" for entry into the Men's Saturday competition for your scores to be included in the shootout table. If you play twice on a Saturday, only the first round will be eligible.

Please note that Fedex Cup points and Shoot Out scores are NOT counted when we have away interclub events.

### Craigs Investment Partners Tankard Club Draw Information

On the first Saturday of every month (February to December) the Men play for a Craigs Investment Partners Tankard. This is a Stableford competition but for afternoon tee slots a club draw is carried out i.e. members are randomly allocated playing partners. To enter go to The Manawatu golf clubs public web page and chose MEMBER ACCESS – EVENT REGISTRATION [www.manawatugolfclub.com/members-area/](http://www.manawatugolfclub.com/members-area/)

Entries close at 5pm the preceding Wednesday and the draw is generally loaded onto the booking system later that evening.

Some notes:

- No requests for playing partners will be accepted unless you are playing a designated singles or 4-ball match.
- Please arrange your matches prior to entering your Club draw booking.
- Every attempt will be made to enter designated matches off the 1st tee but otherwise requests for starting off the 1st tee will be ignored.
- We will attempt to honour playing time requests i.e. early (11.14 to 11.42), around midday (11.49 to 12.10) or later (after 12.17), but these cannot always be acknowledged. Providing a reason for a specific tee time may assist your request.
- We attempt to mix up members teeing off the 1st or 10th tees over the season but please appreciate that this is rather difficult to do in a consistent manner.

# MEN'S GOLF CONTINUED...

## B&A and Watson Cups

This is a Men's singles match play competitions based on handicap. It is open to men (and juniors) with full playing rights. There is one qualifying round (net) played on 9th February 2019. The top qualifier wins the Kenneth Neal Cup. The top 32 players compete for the B&A Cup and the second 32 compete for the Watson Cup. Draw will be prepared based on qualifying round ranking and displayed in the Card room and on the Club's website. Matches must then be played by:

Round 1 by Sunday 10th March

Round 2 by Sunday 7th April

Round 3 by Sunday 29th April

Semi-finals by Sunday 12th May

Final by Saturday 1st June

Please see Programme book for information on arranging matches. If you know that you will struggle to play any matches by due dates then please do not enter.

**Handicap Matchplay:** In a handicap match, the lower net score wins the hole. The handicapping system in Match Play is based on the difference between the players handicaps, so that a player on a handicap of 10 would have to give an 18 handicapper 8 strokes. These strokes would be allocated on the 8 hardest stroke holes. Where there is more than eighteen strokes difference between handicaps, players receive two strokes per hole where applicable. Matches all square after 18 holes continue from the No 1 tee irrespective of where the match was started, until a hole is won.

Below is the table of the top 38 members for each competition & division for 2018 season.

ALL FEDEX cup points 2018

Rank	Net Division 1	Points	Rank	Net Division 2	Points	Rank	Par Division 1	Points	Rank	Par Division 2	Points	Rank	Stableford Div 1	Points	Rank	Stableford Div 2	Points
1	Darryl Chalmers	1501	1	Paul O'Connor	1146	1	Robert Spencer	1007	1	Gus Fowler	1465	1	Mark Grayson	956	1	Geoff Dury	1050
2	Hamish Pryde	936	2	Tom Hattle	944	2	Sam Smith	993	2	Tony Paterson	1178	2	Mike Kellett	863	2	Joshua Hartwell	1000
3	Stuart Robbie	919	3	Ian Craig	941	3	Mike Kellett	960	3	Nick Finlay	1109	3	Hamish Pryde	822	3	Steve Gill	936
4	Adrian Christie	876	4	David Petre	912	4	Richard Shaw	939	4	Richard Pratt	897	4	Stuart Robbie	793	4	Bill Bendall	924
5	Jeremy Morriss	787	5	Joshua Hartwell	897	5	Grayson Joines	918	5	Reid Stiven	889	5	Robert Spencer	749	5	John Bills	890
6	Brent Dickins	714	6	Euan Avery	846	6	Peter McRedmond	854	6	Grant Bleaken	876	6	Kaleb Idemaru	740	6	Ghee Tan	859
7	Ian Yule	696	7	Bill Towler	800	7	Steven Charles	784	6	Joshua Hartwell	876	7	George Allen	724	7	Ian Craig	844
8	Maurice Jackson	663	8	Warren Williams	761	8	Adrian Christie	757	8	Tony Rule	866	8	Rob Green	704	8	Warren Williams	819
9	Bob Rankin	657	9	Steve Gill	742	9	Kaleb Idemaru	738	9	John Clapperton	831	9	Steven Charles	702	9	Paul O'Connor	791
10	Peter McRedmond	606	10	Robert Cuff	723	10	Ant Gear	733	10	Ian Anderson	792	10	Ray Barnett	680	10	Nigel Tristram	768
11	Kaleb Idemaru	590	11	John Weber	717	11	John Beaumont	710	11	Ian Craig	706	11	Neil McKechnie	671	11	Mark Smith	763
12	Hugh Glendinning	580	12	John Symon	674	12	Gregory Hutt	675	12	Ghee Tan	660	12	Bert Chang	660	12	Alan Barker	761
13	Robert Spencer	576	13	Mark Smith	644	13	Jeremy Morriss	661	13	Simon Rowney	653	13	Andrew Bedford	656	13	John Clapperton	699
14	Ant Gear	561	14	Aiqian Ye	636	14	Stuart Robbie	649	14	Guy Broadley	648	14	Phil Cattle	648	14	Reid Stiven	619
15	Shane Hearn	560	15	Alan Barker	633	15	Hamish Pryde	642	15	Robert Cuff	646	15	Adrian Christie	634	15	Robert Cuff	612
16	Simon Fowler	559	16	Robin Dickins	631	16	Ryan Dickins	640	16	David Townend	621	16	Gordon Reynolds	612	16	Nick Finlay	604
17	Steven Charles	558	17	John Bills	617	17	Michael John Smith	637	17	Martin Townend	620	17	Jhon Lundy	594	17	Stuart Keith	601
18	Richard Shaw	547	18	Ghee Tan	606	18	Maurice Jackson	616	18	Rodney Smith	607	18	Ant Gear	590	18	Gus Fowler	589
19	John Bills	534	19	Ian Anderson	605	19	Leigh Thomas	578	19	Shallcross	579	19	John Beaumont	576	18	Lew Hirini	589
20	Grayson Joines	520	20	Stuart Leighton	571	20	Darryl Chalmers	548	20	Ian Bevins	577	20	Alan Vonk	574	20	George Allen	585
21	Pete Stewart	505	21	Terry Win	553	21	David Meiring	544	21	Steve Gill	570	21	Jeremy Morriss	571	21	Aaron Kibblewhite	572
22	Gordon Reynolds	504	22	Reid Stiven	540	22	Bert Chang	526	22	John Stevens	556	22	Darryl Chalmers	544	22	Simon Rowney	565
23	Ryan Dickins	482	23	Neil Wynne	529	23	Bob Rankin	517	23	Bill Bendall	554	23	Bill Barber	540	23	Derek Walker	564
24	Willie Steer	481	24	Gus Fowler	523	24	Bill Barber	504	23	Paul Stephens	554	24	Martyn Nail	533	24	Richard Pratt	551
25	Leigh Thomas	478	25	Martin Townend	519	24	Phil Cattle	504	25	Lew Hirini	536	25	Merwe	519	25	Keith Laracy	539
26	Lee Waller	463	26	Bernard Higgins	506	26	Marty O'Fee	501	26	Mark Smith	532	26	Simon Burton	518	26	Ian Anderson	527
27	Martyn Nail	462	27	Tony Paterson	499	27	Andrew McNie	500	27	Alan Crews	531	27	Matt Pickering	507	27	John Symon	511
28	Mike Kellett	458	28	Warren Shallcross	484	28	Ashley Short	495	28	Doug Bradley	526	28	Maurice Jackson	504	28	Rodney Smith	499
28	Rob Green	458	29	Richard Pratt	482	29	Charles Pan	490	29	Peter Morris	493	29	David Dewe	500	28	Stuart Leighton	499
30	John Beaumont	451	30	Brian Walsh	465	30	Ray Barnett	478	30	Richard Royds	490	30	Donald Cleland	490	30	Scott Haumaha	491
31	Summers	422	30	Lew Hirini	465	31	Simon Fowler	472	31	Maas	489	31	Richard Shaw	484	31	Dave Whittle	475
31	Phil Cattle	422	32	Grant Bleaken	452	32	Campbell Ogilvie	462	32	Tom Hattle	467	32	Peter Vining	482	32	Tony Rule	472
33	Charles Pan	407	33	Tony Rule	449	33	Peter Balfour	453	33	Brian Walsh	441	33	Pete Stewart	476	33	Richard Royds	466
34	Peter Vining	406	34	Rodney Smith	425	34	Merwe	443	34	Terry Win	440	34	Michael Stephens	470	34	Aiqian Ye	459
35	Sam Smith	398	35	Stuart Keith	421	35	Anthony Dahlkamp	434	35	John Symon	418	35	Bob Rankin	468	35	Warren Shallcross	450
36	Donald Cleland	396	36	Andrew Daubney	398	35	Paul Clapperton	434	36	Stuart Keith	413	36	Ian Yule	458	36	Martin Townend	445
37	Darryl Heaphy	390	37	David Forrest	396	37	Robert Small	421	37	Neil Wynne	403	37	Shane Hearn	455	37	John Weber	431
38	Chris Edsall	383	38	Guy Broadley	362	38	Stuart Morriss	418	38	Dave Boswell	402	38	Darryl Heaphy	438	38	Brian Walsh	422



# MEN'S GOLF CONTINUED...

## Men's Pennant team members for 2019

The Men's pennant season starts on Sunday February 17th. The Manawatu Golf Club currently has an A grade, B grade and Handicap pennant teams. These are all 6-man teams and we are always keen to field the strongest teams in all three competitions. Current team members and those interested in playing in these teams should contact team managers to register interest for selection in this year's competition. Full details can be found on the Manawatu-Wanganui Golf Association website.

A and B grade pennants consist of morning foursomes and afternoon off-the-stick singles match-play. Handicap pennants generally consists of 2 rounds of handicap singles match-play and a fourball match.

Team contacts: A grade - Ewan Westergaard and Craig Nash, B grade - Ryan Dickins and Chris Edsall, Handicap - Grayson Joines and Richard Shaw.

Dates of rounds for 2019 (subject to change): 17 February, 3 March, 17 March, 31 March, 14 April, 28 April (B grade & Handicap finals), 12 May, 19 May (A grade final).

## Competition to recognise the Clubs best Gross score golfers

We are looking to run a Gross score competition similar to the shootout competition over the season. Best 5 gross scores throughout season (likely to also include your average score from Order-of-merit events). The winner is person with lowest 5 gross scores over the season and/or we might run a 9-hole shootout for the top 10 qualifiers post the end of the season. All you will have to do is enter the normal Saturday club comps. We will also collect the scores from MWGA OOM events. We will publish (approximately monthly) a table of the club's top 20 players. The aim is to encourage Saturday participation and to also give recognition of our club's best low handicap golfers.

### Results from the first Order-of-merit event for MWGA – Joe Kells Memorial (men) and PN classic (women)

Congratulations to Manawatu Golf club member and pennants player Angus Findlay who won the Joe Kells Memorial tournament at Palmerston North on Sunday 27th January. In trying conditions (a bit of rain & wind) Angus shot 72 & 73 to win by 2 shots from PN club member Regan Cording. Good efforts by Regan McConaghty (4th=), Ewan Westergaard (6th=) and Matt Francis (9th=).

In the PN Classic women's event young Cassey Chettleburgh won with 79 & 71 with our Lisa Herbert second just one shot behind. 66 men and 16 women competed. The next order-of-merit event is likely to be the Wanganui Open tentatively set down for 24 March.



Joe Kells

2019 Joe Kells Memorial at PNGC				
Pos	Men	Gross	Net	Pos
1	<b>Angus Findlay</b>	145	139	1
2	Regan Cording	147	143	3=
3	Bradley McSherry	150	152	16=
4=	<b>Regan McConaghty</b>	151	149	11=

2019 Palmerston North classic				
Pos	Women	Gross	Net	Pos
1	Cassey Chettleburgh	150	144	1
2	<b>Lisa Herbert</b>	151	147	2
3	Zhuoyi Hu	152	150	3
13	<b>Rebecca Hopper</b>	178	154	8

# WOMEN'S GOLF

## Club Captain's Report

Welcome ladies to the 2019 golf season. As your new captain, I will do my best to fill Angela Pivac's shoes (a big job) and to work hard to make playing golf at Manawatu an enjoyable experience for all who wish to play. I would like welcome the new Tuesday Convenor, Deb Archer, and her committee - Sue Burmeister, Helen Weber, Sharen Port, Alicia Boag, Lorraine Stachurski and Claire Davis. I'm sure you will do your best to support your committee, to welcome new players and to participate in as many events as you are able. We need as many ladies as possible to enter the various events held at the club, including the Club Championships, to make them more interesting and viable. Please don't forget to look at the notice board and tournament board in the locker room for open days and other competitions.

The committee would also like as many ladies as possible to play pennants, even if it is just for one match. The more players we have in the pool, the easier it will be for the selectors to choose a team. This year Deb Archer is again the selector for Championship and Weekend Pennants, Angela Pivac for Silver and Megan Waugh for District pennants. The first round for Silver and District is at Eketahuna on February 11th. Championship Pennants start on Sunday February 17th and Weekend Pennants start on March 10th.

In order to encourage ladies to play at their open days, the clubs in the district have decided to introduce the Race to the District Shield. One point will be awarded for attendance (it doesn't matter how many players attend) and points will be allocated on your club's results. Many of the smaller clubs are struggling so it would helpful if we support them by attending their open days.

On Tuesday the ladies welcomed the new season on a very warm day which made the game of golf rather more challenging than it usually is. In addition, partners were swapped from hole to hole based on whether you were on the left or right. That was another challenge but lots of fun. Angela Pivac, Sue Fletcher, Maxine Whittfield and Trish Moore won prizes. Sue Fletcher also won the Marj Crystall Memorial Cup for the straightest drive.

Donna Headley from the Marion Kennedy Centre in Palmerston North came to thank the ladies for their donation to the centre last year and to talk about the services offered by the Centre to people with dementia.

Many ladies enjoyed their golf over the summer. The Bronze eclectic competition was won by Lorraine Stachurski and the Silver was won by Jill Clifton who also won the Summer Salver. Linda Hill won Field Summer Cup for the best summer nett and also won the Saturday eclectic competition. Also over the summer, on January 14th, Trish Moore cleverly scored a hole in one on the 4th hole.

I'm sure you are all looking forward to a wonderful season of golf on our great course. Happy golfing.  
Jill Clifton - Ladies Club Captain



Jill Clifton – Summer Stableford



Sue Fletcher – Marj Crystall Cup

## NINE HOLE NEWS

Happy New Year to you all, here we are into another year. Wednesday we had a fun ambrose for our opening day with some new faces and some returning after their holidays. Teams were drawn randomly and all teams scores within three a good time had by all.

We ran summer competitions for those that were home long enough to play enough games. The winners of these were:

Ladies Gross over 4 rounds - Margaret Birchall

Stableford - Leanne Blumount

Men's Gross - Wayne Revell

Stableford - Dave Heald

Congratulations to you all. Well done!

We will now be into competitions, open days and round robins which I hope more players will take part in as it is a great opportunity to play different courses and meet new people

Good Luck to those playing in the Masters Games in Wanganui next week

Colleen Fraser - NINE HOLE CONVENOR

# WELCOME

## NEW MEMBERS –

The Committee would like to confirm the acceptance to the Club of the following new members who applied in November and December 2018

7 Day Member – Alex Ayerst, Sophie Emerson, Andrew Geddes, Ezra Burt, Noel Nicholson, James Ridley, Johnathon Cosgrove, David Pick

Under 30 – Samuel Slade, Sam Vanderkolk

Under 25 – Niall Ferguson, James Denholm

Tertiary – Russell Pine, Josh Sedgwick (returning)

6 Day Member – Aedeon Caplin

5 Day Member – Jared Small, Philip Mitchell, Raymond Wallis

9 Hole – Kay Eagle, Hyun Soo Mok

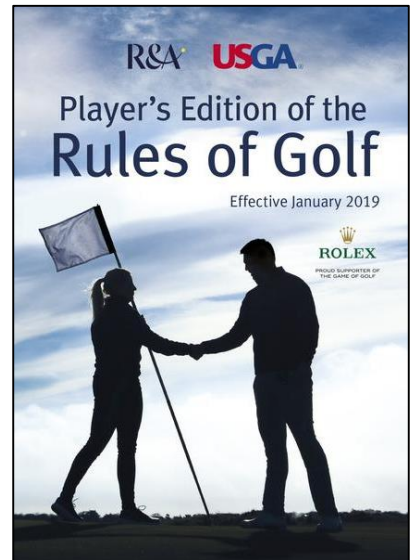
Restricted Junior – Matt Woodhead, Henry Yan

During this same period, 13 members resigned bringing our total membership number to 966 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.

## Rules Corner

Welcome to a new year of golf and the new Rules of Golf that came into effect January 1. It is very encouraging to see how these new rules have provided the opportunity for golfers at all levels to become more familiar with these rules and the rules in general. I am delighted to see and hear members now regularly discussing golf rules and to observe members already making genuine efforts to incorporate the new rules into their approach to this great game.

There is ample material explaining the new rules already provided to members including the Player's Edition of The Rules of Golf booklet which should answer most of the Rules queries that arise during play. In this month's column, I intend addressing one of several areas that I have been approached to comment on and which seem to be associated with some degree of confusion.



Members that regularly watch major golf events on TV will have noticed the considerable discussion regarding the new rule 13.2 which now allows players to leave the flagstick in the hole while putting from on the green. I notice with interest that the almost all discussion on this issue (locally and on TV) has focussed on potential or actual advantage this new rule offers to players. In fact, the main objectives in the change to this Rule were to speed up play and decrease “traffic” in the vicinity of the hole. Any “advantage” provided by this rule is incidental.

Rule 13.2 covers the player's choices for dealing with the flagstick when playing a stroke from anywhere on the course including the putting green of the hole being played. This rule offers the player 3 options and the player must select one of these before making the stroke.

- a) The player may leave the flagstick in the hole. There is no penalty if the ball strikes the flagstick- the ball is played from where it lies after striking the flagstick. Note that this option does not allow the player (or caddy) to deliberately move or remove the flagstick to affect where the player's ball in motion might come to rest (eg to avoid the ball hitting the flagstick). If this is done, the player gets the general penalty (2 strokes). Also note if the player has left the flagstick in the hole and has not authorized anyone to attend the flagstick, another player must not deliberately move or remove the flagstick to affect where the player's ball may come to rest. If this is done it is possible the other player would get the general penalty – see Rule 13.2a(4) for details on this.
- b) The player may have the flagstick removed from the hole –the player may make a stroke with the flagstick removed from the hole so that his/her ball in motion will not hit the flagstick in the hole. No change here and members will be familiar with this procedure. See Rule 13.2b for details.

## Rules Corner Continued...

- c) The player may authorize someone to attend the flagstick. The role of the person attending the flagstick is to hold the flagstick in, above or next to the hole before and during the stroke then removing the flagstick after the stroke is made. The player has authorized the flagstick to be attended if the player's caddy is holding the flagstick in above or next to the hole or is standing right next to the hole when the stroke is made, the player asks any other person to attend the flagstick or the player sees any other person holding the flagstick in above or next to the hole or standing right next to the hole and does not ask that person to move away or leave the flagstick in the hole.

What happens if the ball hits the flagstick or person attending the flagstick under option (c)?

1. If a player's ball in motion accidentally hits the flagstick or the person attending the flagstick there is no penalty and the ball is played as it lies
2. If the person attending the flagstick deliberately deflects or stops the player's ball in motion, that person (if a player or caddy) gets the general penalty under Rule 11.2. The ball is NOT played as it lies but under Rule 11.2c the stroke does not count and the ball re-played from its original position.

Whether penalties apply or not under this rule depend on deciding if the actions of the person attending the flagstick were accidental or deliberate. In deciding, the players are required to consider all relevant information and if possible reach a consensus decision on the facts available at that time – if unable to agree, players have the option to request a ruling from the Committee after the round is completed.

## OPENING AND CLOSING DAYS

Opening and Closing days are a tradition for golf clubs. Opening day marks the start of a new year of golf.

This year's Opening day was held on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January. It was a Canadian Foursomes competition.

Congratulations to joint winners of the Queenan Memorial Salver Brian & Tarnea Leslie and Helen & Brian Wilkinson with 42 points



## COURSE REPORT

Welcome to 2019, I hope that all members and visitors to the club had a good holiday period. The weather has been good over the break apart from Christmas day where we had Thunderstorms. Strong winds have been a pain in the last month or two.

Course is looking great, somewhat due to the showers/rain on frequent occasions. There are a few wet areas still in places, we are working through them. On the 25th February work on the 15th fairway will be done to help with the wet areas there. I will keep members posted closer to the time.

Greens have come back well after coring, have good true pace with the odd bobble. Verticutting and top dressing will help eliminate this. I am happy with the result so far.

Tees have been solid fertilised with wetting agent applied, they also have a great cover. Surrounds have had foliar fertiliser applied, also look great. Surrounds are due for a weed spray, due to the heat have been holding off.

Fairways continue to look great, with good growth and density I am happy with quality so far. Due to the irrigation you do have the odd wet area, we have been slicing throughout.

Rough has been slowly burning off and has been kept to a reasonable length throughout the holidays.

In the coming Month will be looking to tidy up a few trees and complete the 15th fairway area on the course, if time allows will look at attacking the 7th Tee.

Please continue to replace Divots and fix pitch marks. Please also note the rules on cart use, sometimes we notice this being abused. Many courses around the country rope or mark out an area in front of the green, we don't want to get to that.

P.S. It's a pleasure to have the help of the volunteers back in 2019. All the best for the coming year with your golf ambitions and goals.

- Kiel Stechman



# Hokowhitu Café & Bar



## News from the Hokowhitu Café and Bar....



Orla joined the kitchen team in November. She isn't keen on photos so we had to improvise! Orla is from the south east corner of Ireland and has been in New Zealand for the last 4 years. She has a Japanese Spitz (a little white fluff doggo!) that she loves. She is a self confessed nerd and loves playing video games. Welcome to the team Orla!

The kitchen team has been busy creating some new delicious salads, slices and lunch items to fill up the fantastic new display cabinet! Make sure to try something new when you are next in the café!



New slices include:

- Ginger walnut and date
- Raspberry almond & white chocolate
- Rocky Road!

## Falcon Update



As many of you know the pair of NZ Falcons (Karearea) have had THREE chicks.

The chicks are now fledged and you can see them all flying around as the parents teach the chicks to hunt and fend for themselves!

Photo of the tree chicks hanging out together

# What's on in February...

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.

# February

■ MEN   
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
4	5 Committee Choice	6 Waitangi Day 9 Hole: Stroke	7	1 Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	2 Craig's Investment Tankard Draw 9 Hole: Club Opening Day, Saturday Women's Opening Day Committee Choice	3
11	12 Stableford	13 9 Hole: Stableford (Entries open for Walker Georget Cup)	14 Thursday Club	8 Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	9 B&A Watson Qualifying (Kenneth Neal Cup) Stroke 9 Hole: Stroke Stableford	10 Presidents Pennants
18 APL Golf Day	19 LGU & Putting	20 9 Hole: Par	21 Nuview Wealth Solutions Business House	15 Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	16 Par 9 Hole: Stableford LGU & Putting	17 A Grade & B Grade Pennants Grand Master Putting Cup
25 Repairs to Wet area on 15th	26 18 Hole Par 9 Hole: Stableford	27 9 Hole: Stableford (Entries close for Walker Georget Cup)	28 Golden Coast Vets	22 Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	23 Stroke 9 Hole: Par Par	24 Volunteers Day





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