



February 2022

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER

The move to red alert level, under the Government's Protection Framework, means a new way of conducting golf and business at the Manawatu Golf Club. Golf New Zealand has assisted by providing clear guidelines. For golf, these include My Vaccine Passes required for access to the course, tee bookings, practice range, Pro Shop, and all parts of the Course. Our golf programme will continue as planned, however there are changes to how members and visitors can access the clubhouse, café, and bar.

My Vaccine Passes are required on all part of the course, including the café and bar, so don't feel offended if one of our staff asks you for your My Vaccine Pass, they are doing what is required of them.

The Cafe and Bar has a limit of 100 people gathering. The Club can set up multiple zones, however these must be treated as independent zones, people may not cross over into other zones. From 4 February, masks must be always worn by all members and visitors, unless they are seated and consuming food and drink. Masks must be worn moving around the café and bar, walking to the bathroom, paying your bill and as you leave the café and bar.

Please respect our wonderful staff. Service may appear slow at times, but there is now so much more work involved for them, and they will all be under the pump. Words of encouragement rather than smart alec one liners please!

During this Red alert, we will be limiting prize giving and announcements, however the café and bar will remain open for your use.

As many of you will have seen, the red alert level means it is very difficult to deliver events of any scale. The Committee has met and formally agreed to cancel the 2022 Brian Green Property Group Super 6's tournament, and Robertson Prestige Pro Am. This was a very difficult decision to make, however the health and safety of participants, officials, staff, volunteers, and all those involved in the event is our highest priority. We would like to thank Brian Green, Dave Tarrant and Neridah McPhail from Robertsons, and all other sponsors and supporters for their continued support for the Club. We will now take some time to review the event and look forward to the 2023 event.

The Annual General Meeting was held on 31 January. The 2022 Committee has been confirmed with Brent Cawthray (President), Grayson Joines (Vice President), Alva Joe (Treasurer), Alan Savell (Club Captain), Julie Meiring (Women's Representative), Wayne Masters, Dave Boswell, James Lovegrove and Natasha Meyer. Congratulation to all the Committee members, welcome to our new members James and Natasha.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER CONTINUED

There was also some important recognition of long-standing members at the AGM, with Ross Moore, Roy Palmer, Robyn Rogers, Jim Rogers, Godfrey Walker and Sue Burmeister recognised for 50 Years Membership of Manawatu Golf Club, what an outstanding achievement!

We are delighted to announce that our PGA Trainee Professional, Tim Berry has finished his training and is now a fully qualified Golf Professional. Tim has been top of his class during his first two years, and we fully expect him to be recognised as one of the top graduate trainees again this year. We are delighted to have Tim as part of our team, and we congratulate him on fully qualifying.

In staff news, Cheycoda Cocks has finished her role in the Pro Shop and has joined Sport Manawatu.

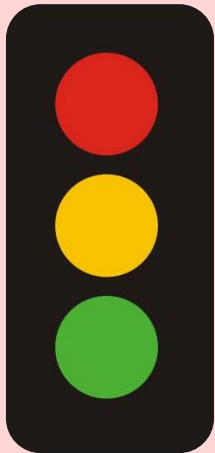
Jordan Wells has finished his role as part of the course and greenkeeping team.

Kody Waerea has joined the front of house team in the café and bar.

We look forward to seeing you at the Club over the next month.

Brent Cawthray (President) and Chris Wilson (General Manager)

Rules at RED:



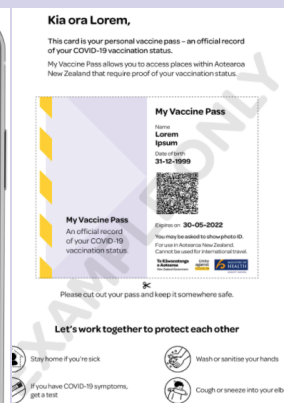
PROSHOP: Must wear a mask while inside.

CAFÉ AND BAR: Must wear a mask until seated. Everyone is seated and orders taken at the table. 100 person capacity.

COURSE: Golf is open

CLUBHOUSE: Must wear a mask while inside including hallways, bathrooms and office

Please be patient with staff – everyone is doing their best!



Remember your
“My Vaccine Pass” next time
you come to the club.

It is a requirement that you
show it every time you enter
the Proshop and Clubhouse

Hi everyone,

I hope you all had a fantastic Christmas & New Year. May 2022 bring you plenty of birdies and eagles on the scorecard!!!

Congrats to Brydie: Brydie has successfully completed and passed the first year of her NZPGA Traineeship. Well done!

Massive Congratulations to Tim: for completing his 3rd and final year of his Traineeship. Tim is now a Fully Qualified NZPGA Golf Professional. Well done Timmy!!

Both Tim and Brydie are still waiting to see where they finished in the academic rankings for their year.

What the Golf Shop team got up to over the holiday break: We all managed to get a break in some shape or form. Brydie has had her cast removed that she had on for 7 weeks, (broken arm in cast pictured below) which she is very happy about. Tim went home to the mighty Reporoa and Ohope for a few weeks to soak up some sun. Andre spent New Years down in the Garden City. As for the Hyatt clan, we managed to get down to sunny Nelson for a couple of weeks.... to help my old man mow the lawns ☺!



Cheycoda Resigning: Many of you may have noticed Cheycoda hasn't been in the shop for the last couple of weeks. She was offered a role at Sport Manawatu in a field she is very passionate in. Cheycoda's last day here was the 18th of January. We wish her all the best in her new role at Sport Manawatu.

What's happening in the shop: In the next few months a lot of our equipment brands are releasing new products. Click on the links below to see what will be hitting our shelves and fitting kits for you to try.

Callaway: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EXceq9UgiYs>

Cobra: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RW47NafVLvc>

Mizuno: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n9B6Fxbe6w8>

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, André, Tim and Brydie

A message from the Club Captain

2022 Opening Day

A huge turnout for the 2022 Opening Day with over 60 mixed teams entered. While we were oversubscribed with Men with our attempt to find team partners, we were able to join up 7 mixed teams. Congratulations to Helen Weber and out-going Club Captain Richard Shaw who won with +8 in the Canadian foursomes Par competition. Helen while concerned about a sick John at home, hardly missed a putt all day and Richard nearly free of the burdens of office, smoked 8+ drives over 220m!



Tree planting between the 14th tees & 15th fairways

You may have noticed that an area has been sprayed and covered with bark chips between the 14th tees and the 15th fairway. When for safety reasons, the pine trees were removed in 2021, the contractor could not remove pine tree stumps in this area due to subsidence. He surmised that there are decomposed trees stumps under where these trees were.

We have decided to plant native trees down this corridor similar to the group of trees between the 15th-16th & 1st greens which is predominately NZ Totaras. Totaras will be planted at 10m gaps in a rough zig-zag (non-linear) pattern, along with a group of Kahikateas. *Griselinia littoralis* also known as NZ broadleaf or kapuka will be planted as 4m gaps. This is the tree planted along the 10th boundary. Untrimmed these will grow quickly and offer protection as well as competition that will encourage the Totaras and Kahikateas to grow tall relatively quickly. In 8-12 year's time the *Griselinia*'s will be trimmed out leaving just the 5-10m tall native trees. The Kahikateas will be planted in a tight group and serve 2 purposes. If the lone Redwood that dominates the left-hand side of the 15th dies then these trees will in time replace the Redwood. They will in time also impede the shot line to the 15th green for balls that end up down the 14th fairway from the 15th tee. All 3 tree species are listed as preferred trees in the Course plan. It is likely that the barked area will be GUR for some time, which means you must take relief if you ball ends up in the marked area (under Rule 16).

Manawatu Golf members in District events in January

MWGA Masters and Horowhenua Open 2022

The Horowhenua Open (36 holes) has traditionally been held in June but from 2022 onwards it will be in mid-January and incorporate the Manawatu-Wanganui Golf Association Masters. Golfers don't need to suffer from the summer heat too much, as it is held over Saturday & Sunday.

The 2022 MWGA Masters - Men finished with a tie between Denny Thompson, Foxton (78-70) and Tony Chettleburgh, Feilding/Manawatu (73-75). Tony won on the 3rd play-off hole. Richard Shaw, (77-78) came 6th equal and first on Net.

The MWGA Masters – Women was won by Lisa Herbert (72-72) with Rebecca Hopper coming 3rd (89-83).

A message from the Club Captain Continued

The Horowhenua Open was won by last year's winner Zack Swanwick from Napier (68-71) with Liam Finlayson, Feilding 2nd (71-70). Kaleb Idemaru came 3rd equal (69-76) and Regan McConaghty 11th (75-77). Tara Raj, Wanganui (68-69) won the Women's Horowhenua Open.

Joe Kells and PN Classic: Held at Palmerston North on Sunday 30th January, Anthony Ilton-Maher from Foxton (70-75) won with Tony Chettleburgh (73-73) 2nd. Regan McConaghty (79-73) came 5th equal, Craig Nash (78-84) 16th equal, Kaleb Fagan (84-84) 20th equal, Bevan Clarke (86-84) 22nd and Jack Clarke (89-92) 27th. In the PN Classic Tara Raj from Wanganui shot an amazing 66 in the 2nd round to go with 70 in the 1st round to win from Casey Chettleburgh (71-72). Rebecca Hopper (90-88) came 6th equal.

MENS GOLF - Information for Manawatu Golf Club Men's Competitions in 2022

Saturday Men's Stroke play competitions

Saturday 5th 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. The top golfer in each division is awarded 500 points, points are then allocated down to 70th place (1 point). As we did in 2021, we will calculate whether you are in division 1 or 2 at the end of the year based on your average Saturday Handicap through the season. The divisions are based on handicap less than 15 (Division 1) and 15 or greater (Division 2).

2022 Men's Shootout

If you wish to enter the men's shootout you will also need to enter the Saturday Club Competition for your scores to count. Entry to the Shootout is \$40.00 to be paid by March 19th 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 30th. In the final the player with the worst net score on each hole is eliminated. Ties are decided by a chip or putt-off.

2022 qualification will be based on the entrant's 8 best Saturday Stableford scores over the season. Please note though that "gimmes" should only be accepted once zero points are available.

Qualifying starts Saturday 5th February and ends on Saturday October 22nd. If a tie exists for the 19th position, there will be a playoff down the 18th after play on Saturday 29th October 2022.

Every Saturday round (am or pm) will be eligible, except for Saturdays with an away inter-club fixture. When getting your card, you must enter Yes for entry into the Men's Saturday competition for your score to be included in the shootout table.

A message from the Club Captain Continued

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

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.

Best Gross Shootout Competition

Similar to the men's stableford shootout, this competition captures those members with the lowest 8 gross scores over the club season.

The aims of this competition are:

- To recognise our clubs' best golfers (male & female)
- To encourage low handicap golfers to play Saturdays
- Provide a fun competition for the club's best golfers

Rules of the competition

Eligible cards are those played on Saturdays during the club season off the club tees e.g. for Men typically Black or Blue tees. The golfer must enter the club competition for the day (not the Proshop competitions). As the women's course at Manawatu Golf Club is par 74, women's scores will have 2 shots deducted off them before inclusion in the best gross table. A member must have at least 6 qualifying rounds.

A message from the Club Captain Continued

At the end of the season the Match committee will run a 9-hole shootout with the 10 top qualifiers on Saturday November 12th starting at approximately 2.30pm from the 10th tee. There is an entry fee of \$15.00 which can be paid to the office or Richard Shaw. Entry must be paid by the 6th August 2022. If a member cannot play the designated date & time the next eligible member on the table may enter the shootout.

This shootout will be played off the stick with men playing off the blue tees and women playing off white tees. The person with the highest score on each hole is eliminated. In the event of 2 or more golfers tied on the highest score a chip-off or putt-off will be played with the person furthest from the hole eliminated. Note on hole 10, a par 5 for the women, all women golfers can take 1 shot off their final hole score.

B&A and Watson Cups

This is a Men's singles match play competition based on handicap. It is open to men (and juniors) with full playing rights. There is one qualifying round (net) played on 12th February 2022. 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 13th March

Round 2 by Sunday 3rd April

Round 3 by Sunday 24th April

Semi-finals by Sunday 15th May

Final by Saturday 28th May

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.

Club Champion qualifying and matches

Qualifying for Club Champs will be on August 13th and 20th 2022. Best gross score from 1 or 2 qualifying rounds will count. In the event of frost or severe weather that prevents play, affected players will get the option of playing on the reserve day (27th August). Only a maximum of 2 qualifying score will count towards qualifying. Details can be found in the Match committee Policy document. The finals for Club Champs will be played on Saturday 5th November 2022 at times provided by the Match Committee.

Alan Savell - Club Captain



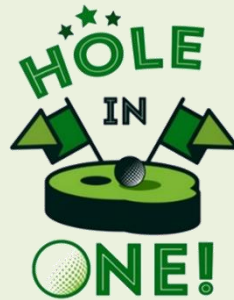
Congratulations to Grant Walsh!
4th Hole
14th November 2021



Congratulations to Andrew Daubney!
11th Hole
25th November 2021



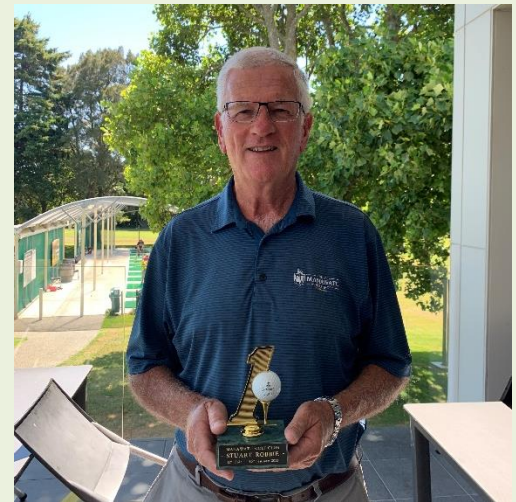
Congratulations to Alan Vonk!
14th Hole
3rd January 2022



Congratulations to Euan Avery!
4th Hole
8th January 2022



Congratulations to Brian Hopkins!
11th Hole
8th January 2022



Congratulations to Stuart Robbie!
11th Hole
26th January 2022

WOMEN'S GOLF

Club Captain's Report

Despite the wonderful summer weather and great playing conditions, the start of 2022 has not been as seamless as we had hoped. Going back into the 'red' has meant more adjustment and some fixtures having to be cancelled. Nevertheless, we will carry on with positivity.

The Tuesday ladies' opening day will be held on February 1st. The new Tuesday Convenor is Barbara Stuckey and the committee members are Claire Davis, Jill Dixon, Lorraine Stachurski and Shirlee Jenkinson. Many thanks for their past contributions to Alicia Boag, Sharen Port and Gloria Campbell. If any lady feels they would like to be on the committee please talk to Barbara.

Janine Healey will continue as Saturday Convenor, Rosie Honeyfield will continue as the Senior 9 hole convenor and Natasha Meyer will take over from Denny Brunton as the Saturday 9 hole convenor.

Deb Archer will take over from Jill Clifton as Ladies' Captain. Many thanks for taking the reins once again Deb.

Summer Golf

Because of the lovely summer weather many ladies had holidays away from golf so the numbers entering the summer competitions was not very high. The ladies who did play really enjoyed the conditions in January. The Field Summer Cup was won by Helen Wilkinson with a nett 65. The Summer Salver was won by Jill Clifton, the Karen Russell Salver was jointly won by Dawn Lavender and Jo Williamson and the Eclectics competition (nett) was won by Barbara Stuckey and the gross winner was Janine Healey.

Pennants

This year Jill Clifton will be the selector for Championship and Weekend pennants and Angela Pivac and Pam Lamberton are the selectors for Monday pennants.

Manawatu is entering two teams for Championship pennants this year. The first round is on February 20th at Palmerston North. The draw has a bye but there is a chance of a District team going into that spot.

The Weekend pennant team will play at Waimarino.

The Monday pennant team has a bye on February 20th so will play their first match on March 7th against at Rangitira.

Good luck to all the teams.

Thursday Club

Thursday Club starts on February 10th. If you wish to enter pay \$25 to Jill Dixon who will be coordinating the event along with Shirlee Jenkinson.

WOMEN'S GOLF CONTINUED

February Programme

February 1 st	Opening Day
February 8 th	Stableford
February 10 th	Thursday Club
February 15 th	LGU & Putting
February 22 nd	LGU National Teams Day

I trust all ladies, whether they are 9 holers, Saturday ladies or midweek ladies will have a wonderful year of golf and enjoy everything the club has to offer.

Happy golfing in 2022

Jill Clifton – Women's Club Captain (2021)

NINE HOLE NEWS

Here we are into another year hopefully it will be a better year than last year.

We have had great weather for golf over the festive season. We ran a summer competition which the best Gross was won by Murray Crawford and best Stableford Rachel Anderson. Congratulations to you both.

Last Friday we were invited to an open Day at Linton which was a great day enjoyed by all with a lovely lunch and everyone received a prize Judy Crawford tied for first place and our other members also did well.

It was great to see lots of Nine Hole members participate in the Club Opening day tournament. Well done to those couples who played really well. Congratulations to Tania and Brian Leslie for their excellent game.

We would like to welcome our new members lovely to have you join us.

This year John Drake is going to assist by sharing convening responsibilities. Thank you John. Welcome aboard.

Great golfing

Colleen Fraser Convenor

Karearea (NZ Falcon) Chick Banding

This summer we again had a pair of karearea nest here at the club. They chose a spot under a pine in the tree area between the 3rd and 17th holes for their nest. This was a great spot as they didn't feel as threatened by golfers and therefore did not feel the need to swoop at people and golfers.

The female that laid the eggs this summer was "Charlie". Charlie was the only surviving chick from January 2020's clutch, that hatched here at the Manawatu Golf Club. She has a yellow band and is often spotted around Palmerston North.

On 29th November, with the assistance from Wingspan, Cleland Wallace banded the two chicks. There was one female and one male.

The chicks fledged over the Christmas break and throughout January many people have witnessed and heard the parents flying around the club with the chicks, teaching them how to hunt and survive on their own.

With approximately 5000-8000 birds in the population we are very lucky to see these rare birds in our backyard!



Pictured:

Left with red band, Female chick. Named Louise, after 4th MGC President Chas Louisson

Right with green band, male chick. Named Alfred, after 5th MGC President Alfred Seifest



Rules Corner

Welcome to the start of our new golfing year. It is now 3 years since the “new” revised Rules of Golf were introduced and it is my impression that members have generally adapted well to these new rules and appreciated their simplicity. To kick the year off, I will present a short quiz on the new Rules for members to assess their level of understanding of these new rules.

1. In a match with James, after driving from the first tee, Robert's ball has come to rest in long grass in the right rough. He can see a ball but is unable to identify it as his. Without advising his opponent James, he marks the position of the ball, lifts it and identifies it as his, then replaces it back in its original position, and plays his second stroke. James objects to this on the basis that he was not advised of Robert's intention to lift his ball and also that he was not given the opportunity to observe Robert's actions. What is the correct ruling?
 - a) James has a valid claim and Robert should be penalised 1 stroke
 - b) James has a valid claim Robert should receive the General Penalty (Loss of Hole)
 - c) There is no penalty applicable

2. Playing the tenth hole on a strong westerly wind day, with the hole on the front right of the green, Mary hits her third stroke onto the green about 2 metres above the hole. She reaches the green and marks the position of her ball. When it is her turn to putt, Mary replaces her ball, removes the marker and as she is about to putt a gust of wind causes the ball to move and it comes to rest about 2 metres off the front of the green. How must Mary proceed?
 - a) There is no penalty and Mary must play her 4th stroke from where the ball rolled to
 - b) There is no penalty and Mary must replace her ball on the marked spot it rolled from
 - c) Mary must replace the ball on its marked spot and is penalised 1 stroke for causing her ball to move

3. Playing his second shot into the 9th green, Harry's ball ends up in the front bunker among a pile of leaves. He removes some leaves, but in doing so his ball moves. He replaces his ball and plays onto the green. Harry's next stroke on the green will be his?
 - a) 4th
 - b) 5th
 - c) 6th

4. Back on the 10th green, Jo has correctly replaced her ball and in preparing to putt with a few practice swings accidentally nudges the ball with the toe of the putter and it moves a few centimetres from its original position. What ruling applies?
 - a) Jo must replace her ball and is penalised 1 stroke for causing her ball to move
 - b) The accidental movement of the ball is counted as 1 stroke and the ball is played from its new position
 - c) Jo must replace the ball without penalty

Rules Corner Continued

5. Playing the 18th hole big hitting Sam's drive ends up immediately adjacent to the 2nd green such that to play it as it lies, his feet would be on the putting green. The correct procedure for Sam is?
- a) Play the ball as it lies without penalty
 - b) Play the ball from a relief area within 2 clubs length from the original position of the ball
 - c) Play the ball from the nearest point of relief where Sam's feet would not be on the putting surface
 - d) Play the ball from a relief area within 1 club length of the nearest point of relief where Sam's feet would not be on the putting surface

Rules Corner Quiz Answers

Question 1. c - there is no penalty. Under Rule 7.3 there is now, no requirement for the player to advise his marker or opponent of his intention to lift a ball for identification or for his actions to be observed. The critical points in this are to mark the position of the ball before it is lifted and ensure the ball is returned to its original position and lie. It is my observation that among our club members this is one of the most frequent breaches with some players using this pretext to in effect lift and place. Query? Can the player clean the ball when lifted for identification purposes?

Question 2. b – there is no penalty under Rule 9.3 for a ball marked and replaced on the putting green that moves before a stroke has been made. The ball must be replaced on its original spot (which if not known must be estimated). This is true no matter what caused the ball to move which in Mary's case was a natural force ie wind. Note: if the ball had been blown from its initial resting place on the green before it had been marked, the ball must be played from its new resting position.

Question 3. b – Under Rule 12.2a, a player is permitted to remove loose impediments (and movable obstructions) in a bunker without penalty but in doing so must avoid actions that cause the ball to move. Harry incurs a 1 stroke penalty for causing his ball to move and having correctly replaced his ball, avoids any further penalty that could arise from playing from the wrong place. His next stroke from the putting surface would be his 5th

Question 4. c – Under Rule 13.1d there is no penalty if the player, opponent or another player in stroke play accidentally moves a player's ball (or ball marker) on the putting green. The player must replace the ball (or marker) on its original spot (again if not known, must be estimated). A ball moving as a result of practice swings near the ball is deemed to be accidental.

Rules Corner Continued

Question 5. d – Under Rule 13.1f, relief must be taken when there is interference by a wrong green (see definitions for wrong green). Interference by a wrong green occurs when any part of the player's ball touches a wrong green or a wrong green physically interferes with the player's area of intended stance or area of intended swing. Clearly in Sam's case he is required to take relief for the interference to his intended stance. The correct procedure is for Sam to find the nearest point of relief that provides complete relief for his stance off the green and from this reference point, determine the relief area within 1 club length of this reference point in which the ball must be dropped.

Welcome

The Committee would like to confirm the acceptance to the Club of the following new and returning members who applied in November and December 2021

7 Day Member: Paul Boyce, Rob Brigham, Karen Burton, William Fell, Tom Motley, Adam Orlowski, Graeme Scott, Shane Walker

Under 30: Brett Cameron, Daniel Hall, Brandon Keenan

Under 25: Keegan Bremner, Corbyn Charles, Shamus O'Reilly

Tertiary: Jimmy Sinclair, Stefan Wright

6 Day Member: Bruce Kinloch, Liz Kinloch

5 Day Member: Dwayne Blackett, Edwin Cywinski, Richard Kearney

9 Hole: Phil Blummont, Jieun Lee, Kevin Orlowski

9 Hole Senior: Brian Ax, Jill McRobert

Restricted Junior: Zac Graham



During this same period, 38 members resigned bringing our total membership number to 1077 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.

COURSE REPORT

Hello and welcome to everyone in 2022 😊. I hope everyone had a great break away and time out to relax in the unreal world at this time. We have now gone to the Red light setting with the Covid 19 framework. With these settings we will not be holding the Brian Green Super 6s, we will in turn look forward to the next event in 2023, as I am sure others will also. On the course we have had our challenges with the weather and irrigation at times. The amount of rain we had at the end of last year caused issues with disease as well as burning of the grass.

Moving forward in the start of the year, we aim to finish off areas that have been sitting around for a while and too long. 16th Tee – Build up with sand & seed, 15th fairway – level, top up and seed. Looking at options for some problem bunkers. We are vertidrainning the greens on Monday 7th of March. This allows root growth, drainage and also aerates the profile. I am excited as a club moving forward to go down the route of “Sustainability”, this will be good for all moving forward and bring a more natural look around the course.

Greens have come back nicely, a few areas are patchy where they have struggled due to the heat. The reason I choose to do a major renovation on the greens just before Christmas/New Year is due to the fact there are no tournaments, a lot of people go away on holiday and fits in between closing and opening days. Thought I would explain the reason behind this as a lot of people do wonder. Fairways have good cover and holding well, tees and surrounds are looking good also.

I just want to say thank you to all the volunteers around the club that do an amazing job, we appreciate it. All the work you do is a huge help to us 😊.

One thing that has stood out lately is the number of pitch marks on the greens. Could you please fix your pitch mark when getting on to the green. This may not affect you but, it affects everyone who follows you. Please continue to replace your Divots 😊.

I hope all members and visitors go well in their up and coming golfing games. Enjoy the summer golf while it's here 😊. Keep well and stay safe while this Covid is still around.

How many of us do this 😊



Course Superintendent - Kiel Stechman



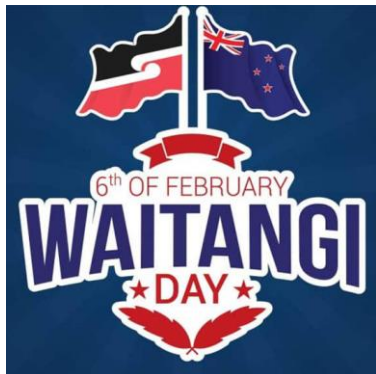
What's on in February...

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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 ■ EVENT

MONDAY		7 Waitangi Day Holiday	14	21	28
TUESDAY	1 Women's Opening Day Marj Crystall Cup Stableford	8 Stableford	15 LGU & Putting	22 LGU National Teams Day	
WEDNESDAY	2 9 Hole: Club Opening Day	9 9 Hole: Stableford (Entries open for Walker Georgel Cup)	16 9 Hole: Par	23 9 Hole: Stoke (Entries for Walker Georgel Cup)	
THURSDAY	3	10 Manawatu & TRC Toyota Golf Day Thursday Club	17 Yorb Business House	24 Gold Coast Vets, 50 players 9am-10am tee times	
FRIDAY	4 Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	11 Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	18 J A Russell Golf Day Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	25 Green Jacket Golf Tournament 30-40 players 11.45am tee off Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	
SATURDAY	5 Craig's Investment Tankard Draw Stableford 9 Hole: Club Opening Day, Saturday Women's Opening Day Committee Choice	12 B&A Watson Qualifying (Kenneth Neal Cup) Stroke 9 Hole: Stableford LGU + Putting	19 Par 9 Hole: Par Par	26 Stroke 9 Hole: Stroke LGU National Teams Day	
SUNDAY	6 Waitangi Day 3rd Round Summer Singles/Fourball to be completed	13	20 Rotary Tournament	27	



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