

**JULY 2018** 

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> was Volunteers Day with a 9 hole golf challenge followed by a Dinner which I attended. It was heartening to see so many members present who have given of their time in many different areas to support the Club. The volunteers play a huge role in the success of our Club whether it be through Pennants, helping with Tournaments, running raffles, gardening and the list can go on. I personally thank you all for the contribution that you make to our Club.

On Friday 22nd June we received notification that the proposed plan change 23 to rezone the Hokowhitu Campus (which borders our western boundary) from industrial to residential to allow for the development of a housing subdivision has been approved. From here there is a 30 working day window for any appeals to be lodged. Whilst I would suspect we are unlikely to appeal, we are carefully reading the document to ensure the Club has achieved everything it wanted to through the consultation periods. Obviously now it's a 'wait and see' for the next 30 days and if it does proceed as expected whilst there is still a lot of water to go under the bridge the membership will be kept fully informed on any issues that may continue to affect us.

Last month I reported on the men's A Pennants finishing a close second to Palmerston North and since then the women's team have gone one better. The Red team of Lily Griffin and Mudra Lukhani won the pennant by the smallest of margins (1/2 point) from the White team of Lisa Herbert and Rebecca Hopper. Congratulations on an outstanding season.

Now that we're in the middle of winter please be aware of course conditions and keep an eye on the web page for any updates. Whilst the course is a little softer at present, Kiel does endeavour to keep it open to carts as much as he can so please show caution if you are driving a cart.

Competition wise the MacLennan is down to the final 16 and as always interest remains high amongst the members. With this competition coming to an end we can now look forward to Club Championship qualifying which will take place in August so there's still plenty of competitive golf to come.

Whilst the Club is in great heart at present... as always, if any members do have any concerns please ensure that these are reported through the correct channels and both Warren Collett and myself are more than happy to discuss any issues.

Enjoy your winter golf!

#### Peter McRedmond - President

#### MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

In these conditions please remember to be careful where you walk and avoid steep banks as we have had an incident this winter of slipping so please be safe. Stick to paths and steps wherever possible. Now is the perfect time to see the Pro Shop and check that your footwear is adequate for playing in winter conditions. Alan and his team can inspect your spikes and shoes at no cost and offer options if you need to upgrade either.

May we hosted the Club's sponsors and last Sunday night we had the annual volunteer get together. As I said on the night, the members of the Manawatu Golf Club punch way above their weight with the support the Club receives from volunteers. 80 volunteers were able to attend with a total of 150 invites sent out. The volunteers came out of the PGA, Pennants, Women's and Men's Golf, the Raffle Boys, Course Helpers and Committee. Thank you to you all.

Last Saturday night the Club hosted a major birthday function and I can't speak highly enough of the sixteen staff members that made this night successful. Their professionalism and quality service provided that I witnessed, was quite outstanding. Kath, Dana and Rachel lead the way, fully supported by each of their team members, it is an absolute privilege knowing the staff have the club's best interest at heart all the time and all work together making the Club that it is.

It has been great to see the covered practice range getting plenty of use recently. Remember that if it is too rough to get out on course then this facility is there to be used and is now one of the best in the country. If you have some spare time and would like to assist the Pro Shop staff pick range balls up from the sides then please check in and see if it is safe for you. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

On a negative note, we have had some golf equipment taken from a members golf bag left at the bottom of the stairs while he went in and had a drink. The items weren't major but no one needs to touch other members gear. Please be vigil at all times with your own gear and if you think you have witnessed something you need to report this directly to me please.

We must make mention to all the new members that have joined the Golf Club. We trust you are enjoying your golf but most of all, the entire facility. It is a great Club with facilities second to none. Just remember if you have a friend and they are thinking of joining a golf club then please steer them to the Manawatu Golf Club.

Good luck to the members getting into the serious part of the competitions with the Imlay Saunders Plate and the MacLennan Club matches.

Good golfing

Warren Collett – General Manager



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#### Pro Shop

Hi Everyone,

As you may be aware, we have recently been advertising for a weekend staff member. Guy Perry has accepted the role and started on the 23rd of June. Most of you will already know Guy. He has been a member here for the past 7 years and he has also worked in the shop before, back in 2016. Guy will be working on Saturdays & Sundays and will also be working late afternoon on a Thursday.

Kalyn Ponga.

On Sunday, 24th of June, one of our past junior members made his debut in the State of Origin for Queensland. Many of you may have heard the name Kalyn Ponga as he is fast becoming a superstar in Australian Rugby League but you may not know that Kalyn played some of his junior golf here and was part of our junior golf programme until he moved to Australia with his family when he was 13. Kalyn was a very talented golfer as well. In 2010 he played in the NZ U19's championship and won the under 13 division in Otago. Congratulations to Kalyn and also his parents for giving Kalyn the best chance to succeed in League.

Looking forward to The Open Championship at Carnoustie - 19th of July.

Carnoustie is the most northerly course on The Open rota. Carnoustie has hosted golf's oldest major on seven occasions. It has a reputation for being the toughest venue on the rota with the demanding closing four holes being the scene of many dramatic Open moments. Golf has been played at Carnoustie since the early 16th century. Despite not being able to see the sea from the links, the exposed layout means strong winds can have a significant impact on shots. As Sir Michael Bonallack once said: "when the wind is blowing, it is the toughest course in Britain. And when it's not blowing, it's probably still the toughest." There has been some amazing finishes at Carnoustie over the years and not necessarily for good play. It is probably the most exciting Open Championship venue for watching!!! I have added some links below for you to click on to watch some finishes at Carnoustie in The Open Championship over the years, none more famous than in 1999.

https://youtu.be/1dR1pkCGY8o 1999 Open

https://youtu.be/8LQWklTrXTg 2007 open

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

#### MEN'S GOLF

#### Men's Club Captain's Report

Congrats go to Mark Grayson (Snapper) on winning the June Craigs Investment Partners Tankard, very kindly sponsored by Ewan Westergaard. Snapper had 42 stablefords, and was a deserving winner.

On 9 June, Shane Hearn had a superb net 66, which saw him win the Lionel Abraham Cup, for best net on the day. Great stuff Shane.

The annual Men's interclub with Feilding, was this year hosted by Feilding. A very disappointing turnout from our men saw only 11 make the trip on top of which there were several no shows. Very embarrassing! Feilding do a draw on the day, which makes



Mark (Snapper) Grayson winner of the Craigs Tankard

things a tad difficult, but we have taken the learnings from this year, and will ensure there is better communication next time. Feilding deservedly won the cup, 6.5 to 4.5.

We must be aware that members of other clubs love having a round of golf at our course, and it also shows respect by reciprocating in numbers the following year. At the end of the day, we only ever have one or two away interclub matches in a year, so it should never be an issue. To encourage participation Shootout scores and Fedex cup points are not recorded when we have away interclub fixtures. We host Palmerston North men on 16 July, and they are sure to bring the numbers. Please try and avoid arranging matches on this date.

I have had several members approach me with concerns about the large number of divots not being replaced, and pitch marks not being repaired. Please make an effort. This is our course, and we all need to do our bit to preserve its quality. After all, it doesn't take much to replace/repair.

With club champs not too far off, please check the calendar for play by dates, and also note finals day is on Sunday 4 November (not negotiable). It is really important that you do NOT enter if you are going to be away for any length of time, as you deprive somebody else of the opportunity to qualify.

This applies to all club competitions. There is nothing worse than losing to somebody and then finding out they cannot take any further part in that competition due to their being on a planned holiday etc.

Congratulations go to our A Grade ladies pennants team of Lily and Mudra, on winning the pennant this year. Great stuff also Lisa and Rebecca in finishing only half a point behind.

#### MEN'S GOLF CONT...

Congratulations to Hans Van Dam on his first hole in one (the 4th). Also to our GM, Warren Collett, who aced the 16th. No better time to do this than in a tight MacLennan! And also, Carl Last-Harris had his first ever hole in one, on the 4th. Well done to all of you. The honours board is chokka, but we will have a new board up soon.





GM Warren Collett – Hole in one on the 16<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> June 2018



Hans van Dam – Hole in one on the 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Finally, our thoughts go out to James and Selina Amon on the tragic loss of their gorgeous twins, Halle and Hugo, who were only with us for 2 weeks. So very sad.

Good golfing everybody. - BC

#### HOROWHENUA OPEN

About 20 of our club's members competed in the Horowhenua Open at Levin Golf Course on Sunday 17th June. Well done to Lisa Herbert who came 2nd in the women's event with scores of 73 & 74 to lose to Darae Chung from Wellington by 3 shots. Lilly Griffin came 4th and Mudra Lakhani 6th.

2018 Horowhenua Open Gross scores

2010 Horownerida Open Gross scores									
Pos	Men	R1	R2	Total	Division placing				
	Tony								
1	Chettleburgh	71	76	147	1st Div1				
2	Tyler Wood	73	74	147	2nd Div1				
3	Junior Tatana	77	72	149	3rd Div1				
5	<b>Greg Shaw</b>	76	74	150	5th Div1				
	Regan								
6	McConaghty	77	74	151	6th Div1				
8	Reid Perry	74	79	153	8th Div1				
10	Wayne Molloy	80	75	155	10th Div1				
14	Ben Harwood	81	75	156	PGA				
18=	Kaleb Idemaru	78	79	157	15th Div1				
18=	Ethan Dodds	75	82	157	15th Div1				
29	Tim Berry	78	83	161	23rd Div1				
31	Simon Fowler	81	81	162	26th Div1				
35	Sam Smith	77	88	165	7th Div2				
39	Chris Edsall	82	85	167	29th Div1				
48	Richard Shaw	86	94	180	19th Div2				

In the Men's event there was a playoff for the second year in a row with Tony Chettleburgh beating Tyler Wood on the 2nd play-off hole. Although associated with other clubs both are current members at our club. Also doing well were Greg Shaw (5th), Regan McConaghty (6th), Reid Perry (8th) and Wayne Molloy (10th).

				Tota	Net
Pos	Women	R1	R2	I	place
1	Darae Chung	73	71	144	4th
2	Lisa Herbert	73	74	147	1st
3	Tara Raj	76	72	148	2nd
4	Lily Griffin	79	77	156	8th
6	Mudra Lakhani	83	78	161	6th
	Rebecca				
14	Hopper	91	93	184	15th

The next Order of Merit event is the Wanganui Open on Sunday 19th August played at Belmont Golf Club. Entry via the MWGA website. <a href="https://www.mwga.co.nz">www.mwga.co.nz</a>

#### **WOMEN'S GOLF**

#### Club Captain's Report

We are now into the middle of the year with all weathers upon us. Our numbers on a Tuesday and Saturday have been very good. Last Saturday there was only 1 gap left for the Saturday women's slot. This is very good news. This was our 1st qualifying round so really good to see the numbers there to play.

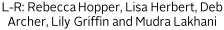
Saturday 16th June was the Interclub with Feilding at our course. There were a good number of us (22) with many of the Tuesday women taking part as well. A team of 16 came over from Feilding. Helen Dickins was so excited thinking placing through the green was going to make it so easy, but alas she realised this wasn't so. A fun day was had in fine weather and we managed to retain the Salver.

#### **Championship and Weekend Pennants**

This was the most exciting news this month with our two Championship Teams vying for the Pennant. The final day was played at Rangitikei and it really came down to the wire with ½ a point in it between the White and Red Teams. But finally the Red Team, the young guns, of Lily and Mudra came home with the ½ pnt needed. But congratulations to the White Team of Lisa and Rebecca for making it such a tight finish. Thanks to the supporters who came and watched. It was a lovely sunny afternoon and the golf was very inspiring. Many thanks to Richard Shaw for all the photos. He does such a great job and lovely to see him out there. But a huge thank you to our Selector Deb Archer who does a fantastic job of supporting these girls. Deb also selects the Weekend Pennants and those players were right in the mix. But Rangitikei won the day.









Sunday 24 was the Volunteers Day. Thank you so much to Warren and Rachel for running this day and the great meal from our café team. We couldn't do without our many volunteers and personally I thank all the committee members, gardeners ,selectors, meals on wheels organizers and all the others who help run this club.

#### WOMEN'S GOLF CONT...

#### Coming up in JULY

In July we have another qualifying Round on the 17th and the 21st July so if you missed the last one, do try and play in at least one of them to qualify. The 3rd one is on 14th and 18th August.

July 14th is the Interclub with our neighbour Palmerston North Golf Club for the Joan Prout Salver. The women play at P.N Club so enter on the web site. Go to the Manawatugolfclub.com, click onto Member Access and hit Event Registration and enter all your details on the Entry Form. So easy. OR CLICK HERE

Arrive at 8.30am and a two tee start at 9am.

#### **Thursday Club**

We have programmed another Thursday Club for the 5th July so come along if you want to improve your scores or add another round. Thursday Club starts at 9am. Enter on Dot Golf and cards in by 8.45am, for a draw.

#### **Good Golfing**

Angela Pivac - Women's Club Captain.



Congratulations to Pam Lamberton with her Hole-in-one trophy.

#### **Saturday Convener Report**

The harsh reality of winter golf has set in this month, with umbrellas getting a regular work-out and one Saturday restricted to 9 holes due to a frost-delayed start. In spite of what the weather has been doing the course remains in great condition with consistently good fields turning out to take it on.

Queens Birthday weekend we played a hidden hole stableford competition, jointly won by Vicki Worker and Chai Young. This has been followed by two LGU & putting days with Joy Judd and Janine Healey winning the lucky bottle of wine draws and Chrys Cabraal and Linda Hill leading the putting with best tallies of 26 each time.

Highlight of the month was the always hotly contested annual interclub event with Feilding. Really great to have our firepower supplemented this time by several of the midweek women, which helped us to a Manawatu win, 28.2 to 27.9 average stableford score. Pictured is Convenor Ann-Marie Jackson receiving the salver from Feilding's Helen Dickins

Linda Hill – Saturday Women's Committee



#### NINE HOLE NEWS

During June there has continued to be a good turnout for both the Wednesday and Saturday 9 hole competitions. Admittedly, on one Wednesday morning, only the very hardy four or so turned up to take on the cold wet conditions.

Feilding 9 holers held their Open Day on 11 June. Of the 14 Manawatu members playing, six won prizes.

The Round Robin scheduled for Castlecliff was cancelled due to expected inclement weather conditions.

Here at our course, despite the rain – and now the frost – play has been able to continue for the Gillespie and Lavender Cups. Most of the matches have been played and the semi finals are to be played by 18 July.

The Saturday Mixed Stableford Match Play for both Division 1 and Division 2 players is also well underway, with the trophy semis to be completed by 18 July.

The number of Saturday morning 9 hole players continue to grow and the Club is considering time slots for 9-hole players on Sunday mornings. Arrangements are being made with the Pro shop for group coaching for our newer players. The format intended is for lessons, followed by a coffee break after which there will be the opportunity to play a few holes with other players. More detailed information, with costs, will be available soon.

The next roadie is the 9 holers annual visit to Wairakei golf course in August.

Enjoy your golf. The coffee is good too.

(Maureen Macdonald) for 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 May 2018

- 7 Day Member Wayne Molloy
- 5 Day Member Shane Harris, Chris Henry, Cameron Pearson
- 6 Day Member Warren Herbert

Restricted Junior – Kaleb Fagan. Aden Ibrahim

During this same period, 12 members resigned bringing our total membership number to 949 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**

The recent USGA Open is probably best remembered for the antics of Phil Mickelson on the thirteenth green during round 3. I am sure many of you observed him deliberately hitting his moving ball on the green to stop his ball rolling down a steep slope on the green and most likely finishing well off the green with a bunker intervening between his ball and the flag. He admitted that this was a deliberate, calculated act aimed at him avoiding having to play his next stroke from a very difficult position – accepting the 2 stroke penalty that would be applied under Rules 19-2 and 1-2. There was considerable discussion and a range of opinions offered by golf commentators and Rules experts on this incident particularly around whether the actions of Mickelson were serious enough to warrant disqualification. The USGA Open Rules Committee decided the 2 stroke penalty was appropriate and thus did not disqualify Mickelson. His score for that hole including the 2 strokes penalty was 10 which effectively ended his title chances. However he remained in the field, and shot 69 in the final round.

This incident highlights the importance of knowing the Rules and provides a good opportunity for us to take a closer look at some aspects of Rule 19: Ball in Motion Deflected or Stopped.

In general play the most common situations encountered where Rule 19 comes into effect are when a player's ball is accidentally deflected or stopped:

- 1. By an outside agency Rule 19-1.
- 2. By player, partner, caddie or equipment Rule 19-2.
- 3. By opponent, caddie or equipment in match play Rule 19-3.
- 4. By fellow competitor, caddie or equipment in stroke play Rule 19-4.
- 5. By another ball Rule 19-5.

Here are three questions covering situations that require application of Rule 19 to determine the correct procedure. I suggest you read Rule 19 before answering these questions and reinforce your understanding by re-reading the rule when reviewing your answers – be aware in some of the questions there may be more than 1 correct option.

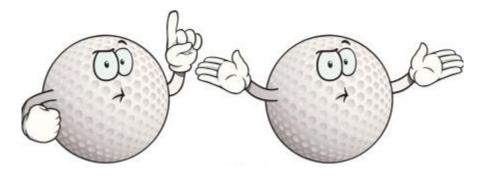
- 1. In a qualifying stroke event, John and David are sharing a cart. On the third hole, David's second shot finishes in the first bunker on the right of the green. John's second shot finishes on the green and he drives the cart and parks it to the left of the green. David's bunker shot catches the ball first and it flies over the green and strikes the parked cart. What is the ruling?
- a) David incurs no penalty as John had parked the cart. David plays the ball as it lies
- b) David incurs a 1 stroke penalty and plays the ball as it lies
- c) John incurs a 1 stroke penalty as he parked the cart on David's line of play
- d) David may cancel the stroke and replay from the bunker without penalty

#### **Rules Corner**

- 2. James and Barry are playing a match. On the second hole, James shanks his third shot from just in front of the green and his ball strikes Barry's trundler parked to the right of the green and rebounds into the left bunker. Which of the following options are permitted under Rule 19?
- a) James incurs a 1 stroke penalty and he must play the ball as it lies
- b) James incurs no penalty and may play the ball as it lies
- c) James may cancel the stroke and replay from the same spot without penalty
- d) Barry incurs a 1 stroke penalty
- 3. Player A makes a stroke on the putting green. Player B, A's opponent accidentally drops his ball which he had lifted and it falls on A's ball which was still in motion. What is the ruling?
- a) Player A incurs no penalty may play the ball as it lies
- b) Player A incurs 1 stroke penalty may play the ball as it lies
- c) Player A incurs no penalty may cancel the stroke and replay from the original position of the ball on the green
- d) Player B incurs a 1 stroke penalty and player A may play the ball as it lies or replay the stroke.

#### **Rules Corner Answers**

- 1. (b) Rule 19-2 applies. If players are sharing a cart, when either player is making a stroke and the cart is stationary, the cart is part of the player's equipment.
- 2. (b) and (c) Rule 19-3 applies. There is no penalty if a player's ball is deflected or stopped by his opponent, his caddie or equipment. The player has the option of playing the ball as it lies, (clearly not a likely choice in James' case), or before any other stroke from another player in the group, cancel the stroke and replay from the original position.
- 3. (a) and (c) Rule 19-2 again applies. A's ball was deflected by B's equipment (see Note 1 under Definition of Equipment) Thus A has the options as described above in question 2. Neither A nor B incurs a penalty



#### **COURSE REPORT**

The last month has seen the temperatures slowly drop with a couple of frosts holding start times up & rain has been falling regularly. As we near the middle of winter the course is holding up well with odd wet spots about, there are more drainage and soak holes to be drilled. 16th Fairway is set to have drainage installed on Monday 2nd July if rain holds off, this will interrupt the Monday golfers. If playing golf on Monday, please skip the 16th hole while this is being put in place.

Greens have been solid tined to a good depth to allow for aeration and decompaction, they have also been top dressed as well as fertiliser applied as per maintenance program. They have good cover & are rolling quite smooth for this time of the year.

Tees and Surrounds are due to have renovations done throughout the winter as time allows, they also have good cover.

Fairways have been Verti-drained as well as Tea Seed Pellets applied for worm control. Still have the odd wet spot as well as a few areas to heal. Good cover also.

Please repair pitch marks and replace all divots. On another note this happened on the Saturday 23rd June, I've put this up here instead of humour just to show others that haven't seen it. If you see anyone doing damage or abusing the course please let us know, remember that it is everyones course and we all should enjoy it.



Damage to the pin hole on the 13th

Greenkeepers wish everyone well in there up and coming month, whether it be matches or just a relaxing game.

Happy Golfing - Kiel Stechman



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Functions at the Hokowhitu Café and Bar.....













50<sup>th</sup> – 60<sup>th</sup> – 70<sup>th</sup> – 80<sup>th</sup> or 90<sup>th</sup> coming up? Looking for somewhere to bring your team or family for a celebration?

Ask Rachel about what we can do for you! Small lunches to large dinners and everything in between. We can help you with your perfect event. Wonderful food, lovely venue or we can cater at your place!



## What's on in July...

#### Please note some small changes to the program

30 2 9 16 23 24 18 Hole: Par 9 Hole: Stableford 31 10 17 18 Hole: LGU 2nd 18 Hole: Stableford 18 Hole: Stableford 9 Hole: Stableford **Qualifying Round Club** 9 Hole: Stableford 9 Hole:Par 18 Hole LGU & Putting Champs 9 Hole Stableford 9 Hole: LGU & Putting 11 18 25 Wade Cup Stableford Wade Cup Stableford Wade Cup Stableford Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Stableford 9 Hole: Par 9 Hole: Sroke, LGU, Semi-Final Lavender/ Gillespie Cups to be completed 5 12 26 19 **Nuview Wealth** Thursday Club Solutions Business House 6 13 20 27 14 Palmerston North Interclub – Men at Manawatu, Stableford 28 21 Craigs Investment Stroke Par 9 Hole: Stableford Par Tankard Draw Hole: Stroke, LGU 9 Hole: Par Stableford Palmerston North Interclub at LGU 2nd Qualifying Round Club Championships 9 Hole: Stableford Stableford Palmerston North 22 15 **Imlay Saunders** Round 4 MacLennan to Round 3 MacLennan to Round 2 MacLennan Consolation to be Round 2 and be completed be completed Consolation 1st Round completed to be completed



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.







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