



MAY 2019

MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER AND PRESIDENT

The Club is one month into the implementation of a new software system and it would be fair to say we are having our challenges. Each day will be better but this has been significant change for the staff as they learn the operating procedures. Once this has been completely rolled out there will be changes for the membership which will see some added benefits. We ask that you be patient as we work our way through all of this.

One of the Club's prestigious events has kicked off with the MacLennan for the men and the mixed Imlay Saunders competition is about to commence. Just a reminder if you are playing in these two competitions, you need to be fully financial and available throughout the competition for the duration. Good luck to all the golfers participating in these two trophy events.

There is to be an information evening on Tuesday 21st May at 5:30pm. Topics to be covered will be: a 6 monthly report on the Club's financial position, an update on the Wallace Development next door, the 12th hole realignment, a progress report on the river land sale and the 125 Jubilee. Membership numbers will also be on the agenda along with several other topics.

Winter is approaching and after a great summer and autumn, the golfing conditions are changing. The course has received a decent dump of rain over a couple of days and our green staff have been doing a fantastic job to keep it in great shape and playable while at the same time carrying out renovation work.

In wetter conditions please remember to be careful where you walk and avoid any steep banks. Stick to paths and steps wherever possible. Now is the perfect time to see the Pro Shop and check that your footwear is up to scratch for playing in these conditions. They can inspect your spikes and shoes at no cost and offer options if you need to upgrade either. Another issue when need to stress is greens keepers have right of way at all times. Please adhere to this policy.

The Club will celebrate in 2020 the great milestone of 125 years. An organising Committee has been formed and are now putting together a programme. 125 years of existence is a major achievement and this is something the working group are very keen to get right. The 125 Jubilee Book is well underway with Peter Lampp in charge and ably supported by Lorna Willis who has trawled through pages and pages of past Club history, not only from the last 25 years but other points of interest during the club's time.

Good golfing everybody.

Warren Collett and Brent Cawthray



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Pro Shop

Wow what a Masters! I don't think there could have been a better outcome for our great game of golf. Andre had another amazing trip to the Masters, and with Tiger winning it just made it that little bit more special he said from other years. If you are interested in going to the Masters but don't know where to start, talk to Andre. Below is a photo of Andre with a couple of subtle security staff at the Masters!! The other Photo is my son Austin with his own Masters Green Jacket and Masters hat that Andre bought back for us!! One happy 4 year old. He was a little sad when Dad's favourite golfer won and his (Dustin Johnson) came second though!!!



Masters sweepstake winners: Well done to John Beaumont and John Symon. All three of their players made the cut and finished a combined 36 under par. Both picked Tiger & Molinari - John B also had Keopka while John S had Dustin Johnson. We did advertise that the winner would get \$250.00 shop credit but because we had more people enter than expected we upped the prize pool to \$400.00, so the both got \$200.00 shop credit each. If you need help increasing your TAB account, these gentleman may be a good place to start!!! 😊



Last newsletter I mentioned Lisa, Tim & Ben had upcoming golf tournaments. As a lot of you may already be aware Lisa won the individual title at the NZ Women's Masters in Nelson, meaning she is the #1 women player in that category in NZ (See Photo). The boys had their annual Trainee Champs - they didn't bring back the trophy but they both had a solid tournament finishing 1 shot apart in the middle of the pack.



Cobra Fitting Day: On Thursday 23rd of May we are having a Cobra fitting day. If you are wanting to try out the new 2019 Cobra gear give us a call and we can book you in.

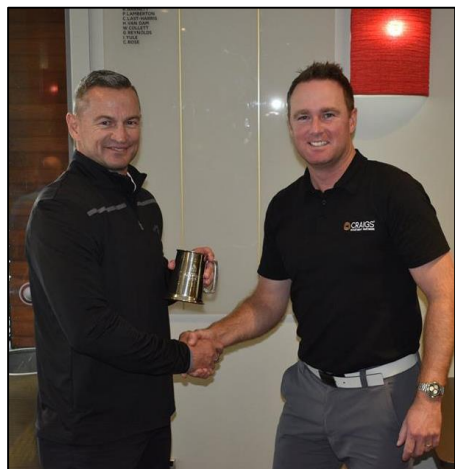
Just remember if you have any questions regarding your game please don't hesitate to ask us, we are here to help!

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

A message from the Club Captain

The Mens' Summer competitions have concluded with a couple of ding-dong matches for the finals. Congratulations to Alan Savell & Wayne Masters who won the Issac Cup for the Summer four-ball. The final went to the 21st hole to decide the winner.

In the Summer singles competition, the most mature member of the A pennants team Craig Nash held out over last year's winner Martyn Nail. After a slow start Craig came home in 35 to win the Nolan Rosebowl trophy.



Lee Waller - Craigs Investment Partners Tankard with Ewan Westergaard from Craigs



Craig Nash - Summer singles competition, Nolan Rosebowl



Alan Savell & Wayne Masters - Issac Cup for the Summer four-ball

The Men's pennant season is reaching the business end. The A's have continued their early season form with strong wins over Wanganui played at Wanganui, 8-1, then a 9-0 win over Foxton at Taihape. However, in round 6 at Hawkestone the A's suffered their first defeat going down 3.5 to 5.5 to a strong Feilding on the 9-hole course. The team is still in first place with a good games differential from Feilding & Palmerston North. The final round robin against Palmerston North at Levin will be a crucial match.

The B's team made the semi-finals following a 6.5 to 2.5 win over Buckley at Linton. At the semi's held at Rangitira the team lost to Marton 2-7.

The Handicap pennant team couldn't continue with their mid-season form losing narrowly to Palmerston North who were playing at home 3-6 with 3 matches lost 1 down. They did however have a solid win over Levin 7.5 to 1.5. The final round at Feilding against Wanganui resulted in 2-7 loss but they had already missed making the semi-finals.

The Presidents are looking good and have had a long wait for the quarter finals which are on May 5th

As a final note, the quality of bunker raking recently as been very sub-standard. PLEASE make a good effort to leave bunkers with surface YOU would be happy to play off.

Happy golfing

Richard Shaw

Best Gross Shootout Competition

Similar to the men's shootout this competition captures those members with the lowest 5 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 and MWGA order-of-merit competitions
- 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).

Scores from MWGA order-of-merit events are eligible for this competition and will be included in the table. 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 5 qualifying rounds.

At the end of the season the Match committee will run a 9-hole shootout with the 10 top qualifiers on Saturday November 16th starting at approximately 2.30pm from the 10th tee. There is an entry fee of \$10.00 which can be payed to the office or Richard Shaw. Entry must be paid by the 28th June 2019. 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.

2019 Best Gross table To April 27th

Rank	2019 Names only	1	2	3	4	5	To Par	Ave	No of rounds
1	Ewan Westergaard	69	70	71	73	77	0	72.0	6
2	Regan McConaghty	70	71	72	74	75	2	72.4	11
3	Josh Sedgwick	71	72	73	74	75	5	73.0	6
4	Chris Edsall	72	73	73	74	75	7	73.4	11
5	Malcolm Neall	72	73	74	75	76	10	74.0	5
6	Kaleb Idemaru	72	73	75	76	76	12	74.4	13
7	Ben Mathews	72	73	76	76	76	13	74.6	11
8	Matt Francis	70	73	76	77	78	14	74.8	9
9	Darryl Chalmers	74	76	77	77	77	21	76.2	11
10	Sam Smith	71	73	79	79	80	22	76.4	10

WOMEN'S GOLF

Club Captain's Report

The ladies have continued to enjoy their golf in these very dry conditions. Matches continue to be played and the pennant teams have had varying degrees of success.

On April 8th, Manawatu successfully hosted Silver and District Pennants. There may have been some home ground advantage with the Silver team having a convincing win over Feilding. The District team was not as successful against Palmerston North but every match was very close. Many thanks to Deb Archer, Sue Burmeister, Claire Davis and Marlene Judd who capably helped out with raffles and results. Also a big vote of thanks from all the players to the kitchen which provided some tasty treats for morning tea. Thanks too to Warren who heated them up.

On Tuesday April 30 will be the LGU Home Links. This is the Coronation Medal (Silver), Aotearoa Cup (all handicaps) and the Veteran Cup (over 70 @ 1st March). This is a Srixon Ball Tee off.

Maxine Whittfield, Janine Healey, Deb Archer and Gloria Campbell will be playing at Marton on Friday May 3rd in the National Teams Four Ball competition.

Marton are also holding their Open Day on Friday May 10th and Palmerston North's Open Day will be on Friday May 24th.

May Golf at the club:

May 7: Par

May 14: LGU & Putting

May 21: Stableford

May 28: LGU, 1st Round Club Championships



There are three Thursday Clubs to be held in May (2nd, 23rd and 30th). The \$2 raffle for a frozen cafe meal proved to be popular and Robyn Higgins was the inaugural April winner.

The Tuesday Ladies were very pleased to present a small memento to Lisa Herbert to acknowledge her performance in the recent NZ Masters tournament held in Nelson. The Manawatu/Wanganui team was placed 10th and Lisa was awarded the Canterbury Cup for the overall best score. She was also the lady winner in the recent Left Handed Tournament. Well done Lisa.

Happy Golfing - Jill Clifton, Women's Captain

CLUB INFORMATION EVENING

A club information evening will be held
TUESDAY 21st May 5:30pm in the clubhouse

Topics to be covered will be: a 6 monthly report on the Club's finances, an update on the Wallace Development, the 12th hole realignment, a report on the river land sale and the 125 Jubilee.



MANAWATU GOLF CLUB

125 YEARS

SAVE THE DATE

Manawatu Golf Club 125 Jubilee
Friday 17th, Saturday 18th and
Sunday 19th April 2020

WELCOME

NEW MEMBERS –

The Committee would like to confirm the acceptance to the Club of the following new members who applied in March 2019

7 Day Member – Steve Gladwell, Brenda & Dean Moana (returning)

Under 30 - Ruben Anderson, Callyn Bottcher, Mark Field

Under 25 – Kody Boyce

Tertiary – Nicholas Carlisle, Rob Ensing, Euan Jones, Hamish Simmonds

6 Day Member – Paul Stuckey

5 Day Member - Bill Barnes, Shengyi Ye

9 Hole – Stephen Aburn (returning), Chris Dunn, Iveta Griffin, Joanne Ogilvie,

Natalie Rowney

9 Hole Senior - Guenter Schreiber, Jutta Schreiber

Restricted junior - Henri Anema, Oshay Booth, Fynn Cranshaw, Kees Elkerbout

Social - Michael Bowey, David Wray

During this same period, 24 members resigned bringing our total membership number to 967 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.

2019 Captains v's Presidents Day

Saturday 11 May 2019

The 2019 Captains V's Presidents Day is inviting members to put their names forward for who they wish to support. There will be a maximum of 32 players in each team.

There will be a draw completed on the Wednesday prior to the event. In each foursome there will be a fourball match and two singles. Food to follow at prizegiving
Get involved in this fun day.

Sheets up in the card room to put your name down

Rules for fences on 11th and 12th Holes

The temporary fences on the 11 & 12th are immovable obstructions. You may not cross these fences to get your ball. If you can identify your ball and it is still in bounds you may take free relief (see Rule 16). However, if it is not known or virtually certain that the ball came to rest in or on an abnormal course condition i.e. between the out-of-bounds and the temporary fences and the ball is lost, the player must take stroke-and-distance relief under Rule 18.2. Make sure you have the new rules book in your bag or the App on your phone.

HOLE IN ONE!

Congrats to the Holes in Ones we have had in April!



Ant Gear – Hole in one

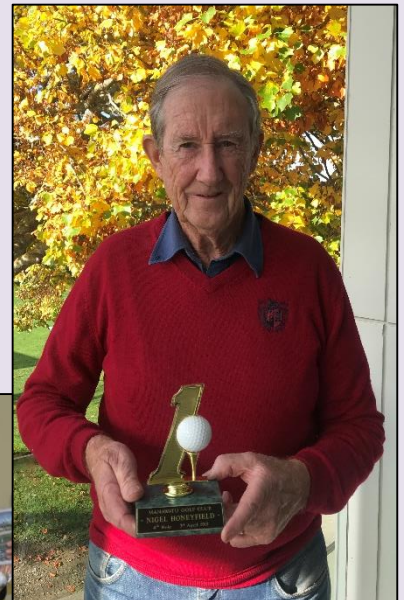
Nigel Honeyfield
3rd April on the 4th hole

Glen Curtis
19th April on the 4th hole

Ant Gear
27th April on the 8th hole



Josh Sedgwick and Aiqian Ye – Hole in one trophy presentations



Nigel Honeyfield – Hole in one

COURSE REPORT

April has been a warm month with temperatures regularly around the 20's. The course is looking a picture, dry with a lot of run. We have been busy on the course with the short weeks. 7th Tee re-construction beginning on the 15th of April, 12th Hole realignment underway. 7th Tee has had around one and a half feet of tee removed, irrigation line and drainage dug in. Once all drainage was in and material in place, we then put around 60m³ of Dune sand on top. Levelling was done, placed the better quality grass from the tee back on as well as some grass off the Range. There is still a little more work to complete.

Greens have plenty of cover, remain consistent throughout. Number 9 green is a bit bobbly due to the Browntup Strike in the core holes being more dominant than the Poa that is there. We plan to top dress when the conditions allow us. Fertiliser will continue as per maintenance program. Solid tining on Monday 6th of May.

Tees have a good cover, are due to be Fertilised. 13th of May they will be Dethatched, over-seeded in thin areas then fertilised. On this day I'm sorry for any inconvenience. It may be possible that a few surrounds are also done depending on time.

Five weeks since being Dethatched the Fairways have come back well. Before winter we will be coring the thin areas (mainly high spots) to throw more seed in.

In the coming month, we hope to get renovations done, 7th Tee playing as well as some weed spraying and other course maintenance. Please continue to repair pitch marks and replace your divots. Now that Winter is coming, please take note of where you are driving your golf carts, also your trundlers.

The Greenkeepers wish Members and Visitors well in their up and coming month of golf. Good luck in your Matches. Anything is possible, look at what Tiger Woods has achieved 😊

- Kiel Stechman



Health and Safety Corner

When hitting balls on the range and you see a golfer searching for their ball off the 9th & 18th fairway do not hit.

Also be aware of players on the front 9th tee.



Hokowhitu Café & Bar



News from the Hokowhitu Café and Bar....

Mid-Winter Christmas

AT THE MANAWATU GOLF CLUB

Get together with your colleagues or a group of friends and book into the club for a Mid-Winter Christmas meal. Lunch and Dinner bookings available. More info on the website or get into touch with Rachel



Book your table now for Mother's day!
Sunday 12th May

Special Mother's day menu - Brunch and Lunch available

Café vouchers also available

What's on in May...

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.

May

EVENT

MIXED

WOMEN

MEN

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	6					
	7 18 Hole: Par 9 Hole: LGU, Sue Bunt Round 3					
1 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Stableford. Entries close for Lavender/Gillespie Cups	8 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Stroke, LGU, Sue Bunt Round 3	15 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Par	22 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Stableford	29 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Stroke, LGU, 1st round Lavender/Gillespie Cups to be completed		
2 Thursday Club	9 Sponsors Day	16 Nuview Wealth Solutions Business House	23 Thursday Club	30 Thursday Club		
3	10	17 Middle Districts Electrical Golf Day	24	31		
4 Craigs Investment Tankard Draw 9 Hole: Stableford 18 Hole: Par	11 Captain v Presidents Par 9 Hole: Stroke, LGU, Sue Bunt Round 3 18 Hole: LGU & Putting	18 Stroke 9 Hole: Par 18 Hole: Stableford Saturday v Midweek	25 Par 9 Hole: Stableford 18 Hole: LGU, 1st Qualifying Round Club Championships Quiz Night			
5	12 Semi B&A and Watson Cups and MacLennan Round 1 to be completed A Grade & B Grade Pennants	19 Imlay Saunders Bye round to be completed Possible A Grade Final - TBA	26			



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