

November 2017

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

At last we have been blessed with some good golfing weather which has also allowed the green staff to complete a number of maintenance jobs including attacking the rough with the mower and I am sure all of you who go there are grateful that it's been cut!

The Centennial Park development hearing is set for three days – 29 November-1 December. You will all no doubt be aware the Club lodged a submission regarding the proposed zoning changes earlier in the year. I can now confirm that the Club has engaged the professional services of local Barrister John Maassen to represent us. John has a wealth of experience in environmental law and resource management. John will be working closely with us over the next month to finalise his presentation. There will be the need for a number of members to attend the hearing but I will address that later in the month.

In my last report I mentioned that the Committee is researching the option of a Committee versus a Board structure. To this end we are working with an independent consultant, Terry Kilmister. Terry attended the October committee meeting and will be speaking to various people over the week and reporting back to the Committee with his findings. As indicated in my September report any change will need to be voted on by the fully informed membership. I hope to be able to update you in my next report.

Warren Collett is continuing his work on the upcoming NZPGA. Things are progressing well and he recently met with Dominic Sainsbury from NZPGA. He is very happy with progress to date. Also you will have all seen via the web page, volunteers covering various areas are needed for this event. If you are able to assist please enter your details on the website or see Christine in the office

Last Sunday the men's shootout was held with Bob Rankin coming through to win, beating Simon Fowler on the 18th. David Petre was third after being knocked out on the 17th. Well done to the 19 who qualified this year.

Sunday 5th November will see the Club Championship Finals played. Good luck to all those playing. Also, just a reminder that Closing Day will be held on Saturday 18th November and

Christmas Cheer the following week on Saturday 25th November.

Finally, our best wishes go out to Michael Beale who, as many of you know, had a serious car accident a couple of weeks ago. We wish you all the best Michael for a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing you back on course.

Enjoy your golf.



GENERAL MANAGER

The Manawatu Golf Club certainly has a very busy calendar with so much on offer at this time of the year and as we lead into Xmas, the signs are, we will get busier. All we need is some settled weather and let the golf take over.

Things we have coming up include; The Pro's Day, The Men's B Grade Championship, The Women's Annual Dinner, Closing Day and Xmas Cheer, Par 3 Challenge and a new event to the Club, the Golf Management International in December.

I witnessed my first "Discover Golf" last week and I am certainly impressed with the work the staff put into this, right from the initial planning through to the delivery of the program. We need new people joining the club at all times so hopefully these people will enjoy their time and sign up as members. Please, at all times, make these people welcome as coming into a club of this size can be daunting.

Friday twilight has kicked off again and great to see so many people take advantage of the lovely night that was on offer. We must thank the Mad Butcher for his continued support to the club. These nights are fantastic evenings down here at the Club, make sure you book in for Friday dining, bring the family down for a bit of Golf and great food!

Good luck to all those who will be playing on Vodafone Club Champs finals day this Sunday 5 November. Finals day is a special day and it is a great effort to make a Club Champs final within your grade. Spectators are more than welcome to come down and watch the finals of which the major ones are played over 36 holes. Prize giving will be in the clubhouse around 4.30pm – 5.00pm.

Many of you would have seen new signage appearing on the pillars regarding golfers playing the 9th hole. Health & Safety requirements have made this necessary for the club. Hopefully people will adhere to a simple instruction and drive accordingly through this area.

We are creeping closer to the end of the year and with that looms an Annual General Meeting. The date has been set for Monday 29 January 2018. If club matters and governance is something you are passionate about then next month you will have the opportunity to put your name forward for the committee. More information on this later.

Horizon Golf NZPGA Championship 2018 – We are constantly adding to the club's website, information relating to the assistance of volunteers and any other news as it becomes available on the tournament. Sponsorship is a key part of the success to this tournament and ask at any time if you have a contact for us to approach regarding sponsorship, then please contact the office. It is vital we sell all of our packages.

Good golfing

Warren Collett - General Manager





Pro Shop

Hi Everyone,

Hope you all have managed to play a bit more golf over October!!!!

This Saturday the 4th of November marks the date for our annual "Beat The Pro's" Tournament. This Year we have another awesome overall prize up for grabs along with another massive prize table worth over \$10,000. The overall winning team will win a trip to Clearwater Resort in Christchurch. Flights, accommodation (at Clearwater Resort), golf and transport to and from the airport all paid for. This is our favourite or our least favourite day of the year depending on how our golf goes as the pressure is all on us!!! This year we also have some Staff rivalry as well with Ben and Maraea playing and trying (Yes trying!!!) to beat André & Myself (Alan). We are all looking forward to seeing you all out there.

P.S. Please don't bring your A GAME.

At the start of October we held our last McDonalds junior tournament for 2017. We had over 50 kids play on the day, The kids came from all around the district and also we had kids from Wellington and the Hawkes Bay. These are awesome events where they get free McDonalds and play for an awesome prize table. A big thanks to our sponsors, McDonald's Manawatu. Golf Distributors & Cookie Time Manawatu.

Taylormade Fitting Day Thursday 9th of November! - See poster for Details

Just remember if you have any questions regarding your game please don't hesitate to ask us.

Your Proshop team

Alan, Andre, Ben and Maraea











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TWILIGHT GOLF

Twilight Golf - every Friday night during summer

Everyone is welcome and no need to book, simply turn up between between 3.00pm and 5.30pm and register at the window around the corner from the Proshop.



The competition format is 9 Holes Individual Stableford and there will be a prize presentation afterward in the clubhouse. Take advantage of our fantastic cafe and bar facilities and stay on for refreshments or dinner after your game.

Manawatu Golf Club members - \$5.00, Members of other NZ clubs - \$10.00 and non-affiliated - \$15.00

PRIZES!

Mad Butcher Vouchers and golf ball prizes for Stableford competition.

Each week there will be a lucky card draw for some fortunate participant and this will jackpot as you have to be in the clubhouse at the time of the draw to win - Approx 7:30pm or when the last person is in from the field.



There is also a major prize at the end of the twilight series. To be eligible to enter you must have played in 8 twilights to qualify. If you play in 12 events you will be in the draw 12 times. The prize will be announced as we progress through the series.

This is a great opportunity to play at the Club in a competition for a small fee so bring along your friends and have some fun.



MIXED DAY. ALL WELCOME.

TUESDAY 7TH NOVEMBER
TEE OFF 12PM. BE HERE AT 11:30AM
DRESS YOUR BEST. PRIZE FOR BEST
MENS/WOMENS OUTFIT
MELBORNE CUP RACES ON THE BIG
SCREEN FROM 3PM
BAR SNACKS AVAILABLE
SWEEPSTAKE \$2

Men's Club Captain's Report

Congratulations to Ladies Club Captain Angela Pivac, and Godfrey Walker, who took out the Imlay Saunders Consolation final. They defeated Helen and John Weber.

The first Saturday of the month saw Bob Rankin take out the Craigs Investments Partners Tankard with an excellent 41 points. A superb round of golf played in steady rain. It was great to have Ewan Westergaard from Craigs Investments Partners on hand to present the tankard.

Congratulations to Adrian Christie who recently aced the 16th. A fantastic shot especially as the hole was behind the bunker.



Bob Rankin with Ewan Westergaard

We are now at the business time of the year. There is plenty happening with twilight having kicked off in perfect conditions, with 73 people taking part. This year \$1 of each entry goes in to a draw from the field. You have to be there when we do the card draw. Greg Shaw's card was plucked from the box, but unfortunately he was not there, so \$73 carries over to the next night.

With a lucky card draw and vouchers from New Zealand's top Mad Butcher Franchise on Pioneer Highway, great food and service, there is no better place to spend your Friday late arvo early evening.

The annual Men's shootout was played on Sunday. A huge thank you to John Bills and Sam Smith for running the day, and also to Ian Anderson (Rules). Thanks also to Richard Shaw for doing all of the admin work behind the scenes, and putting out the weekly updates. Thanks Warren Williams for collecting all of the entry money, and for your help in setting up the actual day.

Thanks also to Rodders and Vonky, "the raffle boys" for topping up the pool. Fan-bloody-tastic guys!!

The front nine was played in perfect conditions, but there was a fair bit of rain in the afternoon.

Congratulations to Bob Rankin who prevailed on the 18th with a par to Simon Fowler's bogey.

Bob has been in a rich vein of form of late, very well done.

David Petre, playing in his first ever shootout was eliminated on the 17th in a chip off with Simon.

Men's Club Captain's Report cont...

Saturday we have the annual Pros day, two person ambrose, great fun, great prizes.

Sunday is our Club Championship Finals Day. Please come down and watch. The players always enjoy the support. The course will be open to members, but please be mindful of your speed of play, as the finalists must not be held up.

All the best to all of our finalists.

Next Saturday, 11th, the Men have their trophy presentation day. If you think you have been consistent during the year, be there, you could well get a nice surprise.

Closing day is on Saturday the 18th. Get your 4's organised, the start sheet will be online on Saturday 11th.

Christmas Cheer – Richard and I will once again be running the AM and PM Christmas Cheers, Saturday November 25. One of the best days on the calendar. Everyone gets a prize, fantastic.

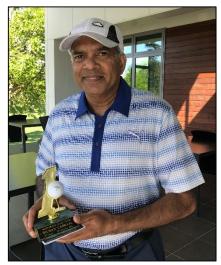
A friendly reminder:

When playing club competitions please remember to adhere to the rules of golf. During the Shoot-out on Sunday a competitor was asked to take a penalty for lifting a ball from the putting green without marking its position. To avoid embarrassment or worse disqualification, please try to adhere to these basis rules of golf over the coming weeks as we compete in club competitions like the B-Grade Championship and Christmas Cheer events.

Good golfing everybody, this is the best time of the year, so make the most of it.

BC

Congratulations to Dilhan and Digby for their Hole in Ones!!



Dilhan Cabral – 4th Hole



Digby Ngan-Kee – 4th Hole

Men's shootout final – Sunday 29th October 2017

The Men's shootout final for 2017 was played on Sunday 29th October in fine warm and humid weather until cooling rain came and stayed while playing the 13th onwards. As per 2016, eight qualifying stableford scores were required. Sixty three golfers entered this year's competition. A combined tally of 296 or 8 stableford points under par was required to make the finals (an average of 37 stableford points). This was 6 points worse than last year and probably reflected the wet conditions we had for half the season. Top qualifier was the Men's vice club captain Richard Shaw with 319 or 31 stableford points under par, exactly the same top score as in 2016.

A play-off was required Saturday evening with 5 people tied on -8 Stableford points to par for the last 3 spots. Unfortunately Warren Shallcross was returning from Brisbane and thus could not make the play-off. Gus Fowler and Rodney Smith made 5's down the 18th and were in for Sunday. A chip-off was required between Lew Hirini and Janoah Smith in which Janoah prevailed. Late in the evening the VCC realized a clerical error meant that 20 not 19 had qualified for Sunday requiring two to drop out on the first hole (sorry guys my bad!).



Everyone getting started



Happy golfers

Notable happens this year: The first chip off was on the 6th involving 5 players, Richard Shaw played first with his chip rolling off the front of the green, 7 paces past the flag. This turned out to be the closest shot with Adrian Christie, Janoah Smith and Michael Stephens chipping well short of the flag. However John Beaumont got right under his ball and failed to make the green! Adrian Christie (7th) and Bill Barber (9th) had the only out-of-bounds. Two air shots were played on the 7th and 17th!

Playing the last 3 holes were Simon Fowler (handicap 5), David Petre (20), Hamish Pryde (11) & Bob Rankin (12). On the 16th Simon and David were down for net 3 & 4 respectively. Hamish's tee shot ended up in the bunker. His 2nd flew to the back right of the green, a chip and two putts later he was down for five. Bob's tee shot was short of the green and his chip shot was also well short of the flag. A three putt ensured a putt off. Both putted very close to the uphill flag but Bob's was slightly closer.

On the 17th Simon Fowler was inches off the front of the green for two. Both Bob and David had roughly 20m chips to the green for their third. David had an air shot for his 3rd then immediately put his 4th on the green beyond the flag. He two putted for 6 net 5. Bob two putted from in front of the green for 5 net 4. Simon put his first putt beyond the flag then inexplicably missed a short return putt to make 5 net 5. In the chip off from the back of 17th, David failed to make the green while Simon played a fine chip close to the flag.

Men's shootout final – Sunday 29th October 2017

On the 18th both Simon and Bob played excellent tee shots with Bob's finishing at the top of the gully while Simon's ball ended up in the second fairway bunker. Bob played his 2nd just short of the green while Simon's bunker shot ended up 15m short of the green. Simon's 3rd shot went long to the back of the green. He 2 putted for 5 net 5. Bob chipped close then 2 putted for 5 net 4 and the win to be the 2017 Shoot-out champion.

Thanks to John Bills and his side-kick Sam Smith for running the shoot-out and Ian Anderson who probably made a record number of rulings.

Those interested in entering next year's competition which starts late January can do so via paying \$30 at the office. The Match committee will announce the playing conditions before next season but the requirement for 8 counting stableford scores will most likely continue.

2017 Mens Shootout

		Hole					
Newses		Knocked					
Names	Н	out	Losing hole score and play-off details				
Chang, Bert	7	1	net 6				
Clapperton, Paul	12	1	net 6				
Cawthray, Brent	22	2	8 net 7				
White, Anthony	15	3	7 net 6				
Westwood, Jason	8	4	5 net 5				
Avery, Euan	19	5	11 net 10				
Beaumont, John	11	6	net 6 chip off with 5 others				
Christie, Adrian	13	7	net 7 chip off with Hamish Pryde				
Smith, Janoah	21	8	net 6 putt off with Bob Rankin & David Petre				
Hook, Lachlan	10	9	net 7				
Fowler, Gus	19	10	6 net 5				
Stephens, Michael	15	11	net 5 chip off with Bob Rankin				
Shaw, Richard	10	12	6 net 5 putt off with Rodney Smith				
Cuff, Robert	19	13	7 net 6				
Smith, Rodney	20	14	8 net 7 Chip off with Bob Rankin				
Barber, Bill	15	15	net 5 chip off with 3 others				
Pryde, Hamish	11	16	5 net 4 putt off with Bob Rankin				
Petre, David	20	17	net 5 chip off with Simon Fowler				
Fowler, Simon	6	18	5 net 5				
Rankin, Bob	12	winner	5 net 4				





Manawatu Wallace Development Company Ltd Open

In what could be described as brutal conditions, the Wallace Development Limited Manawatu Open was played on Sunday 22nd October. Congratulations to Brydie Hodge (Levin) and Kerry Mountcastle (Masterton) for taking out the women's and men's events.

2017 Manawatu Open Gross results						
Mens Division 1						
Pos Name	R1	R2	Total	Club		
1 Kerry Mountcastle	72	78	150	Masterton		
2 Junior Tatana	77	75	152	Palmerston North		
3 Ewan Westergaard	78	76	154	Manawatu		
4 Rhys Watkins	76	79	155	Manawatu		
5 Greg Shaw	74	81	155	Manawatu		
6 Angus Findlay	77	79	156	Manawatu		
7 Guy Perry	76	81	157	Manawatu		
8 Kaleb Idemaru	76	82	158	Manawatu		
11 Tim Berry	82	79	161	Manawatu		
13 Regan McConaghty	77	85	162	Manawatu		
19 Curtis Cavanagh	88	81	169	Manawatu		
22 Matt Francis	84	86	170	Manawatu		
30 Kirk Brough	95	95	190	Manawatu		

Mens Division 2						
Pos Name	R1	R2	Total	Club		
1 Tuhourangi Wilson U17	83	77	160	Karamu		
2 Trevor Shailer	84	83	167	Linton Camp		
3 Jayden Rhys Pettengell	88	82	170	Titirangi		
6 Bert Chang	82	89	171	Manawatu		
10 Ethan Dodds	91	86	177	Manawatu		
11 Michael Wickham	93	85	178	Manawatu		
14 Chris Edsall	87	91	178	Manawatu		
17 Jason Westwood	93	89	182	Manawatu		
18 Rodney Thomas		91	186	Manawatu		
19 Marty O'Fee	98	89	187	Manawatu		
25 Richard Shaw		93	192	Manawatu		
26 William Leipnik		97	194	Manawatu		
27 Stephen Blackmoore		97	194	Manawatu		
29 Zain Ali		96	198	Manawatu		
31 Baz Woodcock		105	203	Manawatu		

	Womens						
Pos	Name		R2	Total	Club		
1	Brydie Hodge	75	76	151	Levin		
2	Tara Raj	80	78	158	Wanganui		
3	Zhuoyi Hu	83	79	162	Royal Wellington		
4	Mudra Lakhani	84	80	164	Manawatu		
5	Tania Hook	83	85	168	Manawatu		
13	Rebecca Hopper	92	97	189	Manawatu		

Great effort by the Green Keepers getting the course in great condition after a very trying winter. Also to Warren, Rachel, Christine and Brent for organising the day. And especially Wallace Developments Limited for sponsoring the event.



Brydie Hodge



Kerry Mountcastle



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SUNDAY 19th NOVEMBER

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HANDICAP INDEX 8.8 - 22.5

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OVER \$3000 IN PRIZES

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Payment required upon entry.
For more information contact the office
on 06 357 8793 extension 2.

Entries close 5pm Tuesday 14th November





Club Captain's Report

This month has been up and down with course closures due to the weather once again.

However the Championship Matches are all up to date and we now have our finalists playing on Finals Day on 5th November. It should be a cracker of a day.

Bronze 2 finalists; H. Weber v G. Robinson

Bronze 1 finalists; M. Waugh v A Pivac

Silver finalists; T Hook v L Griffin.

Congratulations to all the finalists. Please support your players and do come along to make this a special day.

All the other matches are just about finished but special mention to the Saturday Women who finished all their matches well before the Mid-Week Women. Well done to the committee for keeping on top of this.

Saturday 21st October we finally had the Interclub with Palmerston North. The previous date was washed out so it was fantastic we found another date to suit both clubs. We had a great turnout with 25 Women from P.N and 19 from Manawatu. The weather was kind but alas our golf wasn't good enough and P.N were thrilled to take The Joan Prout Salver home. P.N average Stableford was 34.0 and Man 32.45. This interclub started around 1994 and P.N have only won it 3 times. So we do have a very good record really. The raffles were amazing and everyone enjoyed the day especially Ann-Marie Jackson who scored 44 points to win the top prize for Manawatu along with Marilyn Linklater from Palmerston North Club with 44 points also. We will look forward to another challenge next year.

We played the Mellsop Cup on Tuesday 24th and Saturday 28th October. We had 20 from the Saturday Women and 23 from Mid-week qualify for this Cup. One has had to win an LGU day in their division during the year to qualify so well done to all those players. The others play Doris Dixon which is now randomly selected teams of 4 with the lowest aggregate net being the winner.

October 26th was our House of Travel Open Day which was abandoned back in May-the rain yet again. We had 76 entries and 16 clubs represented. A big thank you to all the committees for making this day a success. Thanks to the Mid-Week Women who donated the raffle prizes. The table was a "wow". The raffle raised \$466. The course was in great shape after the Manawatu Open so a big thanks to all the Green Staff. Our sponsors are always on board and we thank them very much. House of Travel Broadway, Melody's New World, Furniture Fair, Golf Distributors, Hokowhitu Village Wine Trader, Kelly's Shoes, Mega Mitre 10, Higgins, Manawatu Golf Shop and all our members who support this day. We will keep this date in future for our Open Day rather than May.

Club Captain's Report Cont....

Women's Open Day Winners.

1st Overall Stableford Maxine Whittfield

and Overall Stableford Christine Rose

3rd Overall Stableford Cynthia Lucklam-Linton Camp.

The winner of the Alison Schultz Cup for best gross for Bronze 1 and 11 Players was

Megan Waugh 94.



Megan Waugh



Maxine Whittfield and Paul Otway from House of travel

The month of November is very busy with Prize Giving for all sections.

7th Nov Tuesday is Melbourne Cup Day and we have a report time of 11.30am. You will be put into a draw as you arrive. This is a stableford competition and Everyone is welcome to play including any 9 holers. with sweepstakes plus Easy Bets for the winners. There will be a further notice about this day in the weekly newsletter. If you would like to wear your best hat or outfit and watch the race after the golf with a glass or two of Bubbles you would be most welcome. A prize for the best dressed. If you are unable to play just come down and join us for the big race. Jon Snow will be a popular bet being a NZ horse.

9th Nov Thursday is the shootout. Good luck to those who qualified. 9am start.

14th Nov Tuesday Mid-week and Snr 9 Hole Closing Day with presentation of prizes.

15th Nov Wednesday Women's Annual Dinner plus the entertainment of course. 6pm for Pre Dinner drinks. Cost is \$35. Book and Pay Online- more details out shortly.

Club Captain's Report Cont....

21st Nov Tuesday Christmas Cheer. This is our final get together before the Summer Golf starts and since we couldn't have our Charity Day this year we are making this day our Charity Day. The Charity is Kind Hearts and Leigh Rosanoski kindly came down and spoke to the mid-week players all about the movement and the many ways they help people, especially young mothers in the Palmerston North District.

All women in the Manawatu Golf Club are invited to play, including any 9 Hole women who would like to have a go at 18 holes. The format is a 6x6x6 and one needs a partner

We need lots of entries so we can make a generous donation to this charity. 6 Holes are Added stb., 6 holes Multiplied stb. and another 6 will be the best stb. This is a fun day with the Christmas mood upon us.

Rachel is in the process of making up a poster which will be displayed in the clubhouse and locker room. We need the entries prior to the day so we can set up the computer for results. These details will be on the poster.

Entry Fee is \$10 per player or more if you want, and we would be grateful for any raffles ,donations or prizes would be gratefully accepted. If we could have the raffles the day before or earlier that would be a great help. Al I proceeds will be going to Kind Hearts. Contact Rosie Honeyfield or myself re any donations or queries.

Looking forward to Summer Golf.

Angela Pivac - Women's Club Captain



Some of the MGC Women at the McKayson NZ Women's Open

Saturday Convener Report

Although we've enjoyed watching the growth of the ducklings whose sensible Mum chose to raise them in the "pond" alongside the 13th fairway, it is with great relief that said pond has now dried out.



The firmer conditions underfoot has resulted in some low scores, big stableford tallies and handicaps starting to move down again. Janette Gain took out our fun day mystery stableford holes event from Eva Heinrich, and our competitions have been completed.

Final results:

Clarke Cup: Winner - Tania Hook Runner up - Charlotte Bedford

Werner Cup: Winner - Vicki Worker Runner up Christine Rose

Watson Brothers Cup: Winner - Lily Griffin Runner up Ann-Marie Jackson

Watson Brother Flight: Winner - Eva Heinrich

Dawn Matthews Fourball: Winners - Christine Rose & Anne Eggers

Runner up - Chrys Cabraal & Linda Hill

Dawn Matthews Flight: Winners - Janine Healey & Evelyn Trass.

Saturday women were well represented in the recent House of Travel Open Day event, with Christine Rose taking out overall second place. The weekday women then joined us for the annual interclub challenge with Palmerston North which had been postponed from earlier in the year due to weather.

Despite this show of unity we went down on average stablefords 34.0 to 32.4 and handed over the salver for the first time in several years. On the social front, 20 people attended the Manawatu Chinese Society's fund-raising dinner at Chinatown restaurant, where they were treated to a Chinese dragon dance and an eight course meal, including traditional kiln fired pork and the speciality of moon cakes.





With Closing Day looming we now look forward to our end of year celebrations.

Linda Hill – Saturday Convener



Safety at the Manawatu Golf Club

A few health and safety reminders from the club;

Now that it is summer please use the complimentary sunscreen on the 1st and 10th tees

Please also ensure you follow all of the rules regarding carts, playing etiquette and always keep behind the person playing the shot!

In the event of an accident please inform the Proshop or the Office. We need to be

informed of accidents even if no first aid is required.

If first aid is required, multiple staff in the MGC team hold first aid certificates.

There are first aid kits in the club house

The Club owns a defibriliator and has staff trained to use this. In case of a cardio emergency this is located in the clubhouse across from the bar by the door that leads down to the cardroom.



NEW MEMBERS –

The Committee would like to confirm the acceptance to the Club of the following new members who applied in September 2017

6 Day Member – Quilai Wang

5 Day Member – Lincoln Charles

Under 30 - Richard Clark, Simon Clark, Connor Morriss

Restricted Junior – Corbyn Charles, Devon Charles, Whetu Na Nagara, Floyd Na Nagara, Ian Tsui

During this same period, 6 members resigned bringing our total membership number to 945 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

October has been a month of all four seasons in one, the last couple of weeks have seen some great weather for drying. The course is drying up now we are getting strong winds and sunshine. The front of 9th surround has been re-turfed, there is still a soak hole to be placed. The rough we can finally get onto which is good for all.

Greens were solid tined as well as aerated to try and clear some excess water. Fertiliser and fungicide has also been applied as per maintenance. A fungicide was also applied to hopefully clean up the algae that is still out there. Greens are rolling a lot smoother as they dry out.

Tees and surrounds have both been sliced to allowed water to move from the surface also allowing aeration. Both the tees and surrounds have a dense cover of turf.

Fairways have been sliced, also have a great cover of turf. They are yet to be sprayed

for weeds due to the wet conditions that we have had.

I hope everyone has enjoyed the dryer conditions and the golfing has been great. I wish everyone well for finals day on the 5th of November.

Please continue to replace divots and repair pitch marks.

We are hoping to dethatch the tees in November, we will do our best so we don't interrupt play as much as possible. Thankyou an advance.

Happy Golfing

Kiel Stechman





Manawatu Golf Club 125 Years Jubilee

Our 125 years jubilee is set to take place in 2020. We are now looking to form a committee to look after all aspects of the Jubilee and how the club celebrates it

If you feel you have the time and commitment to be a part of this celebration please contact the office.

RULES CORNER

As we near the end of another golfing year, it is timely to remind members that the current Rules of Golf as detailed in the latest (January 2016) Golf Rules book will remain in effect throughout the 2018 golfing (calendar) year. Proposed changes to these rules will be finalised in 2018 and the revised Rules of Golf will be introduced to coincide with the start of the 2019 golfing and calendar year.

A couple of the rulings sought by contestants in the recent Men's shootout are worth reviewing for members.

1. Procedure when another player's ball may assist or interfere with the playing of your ball.

At any time, if a player considers that a **ball might assist** any other player he may lift the ball if it is his ball or have any other ball lifted (Rule 22-1). A ball lifted under this Rule must be replaced (see Rule 20-3). The ball must **not be cleaned** unless it lies on the putting green (see Rule 21) or on the fairway of the hole being played when under a local rule, placing on own mown fairway is permitted, except when a ball is in motion, if a player considers that **another ball might interfere** with his play (line of play, stance or stroke) he may have it lifted (Rule 22-2). Again a **ball lifted under this rule** must be replaced **and must not be cleaned** unless it lies on the putting green or on the fairway of the hole being played as described above.

In each case above, the position of the ball must be marked before it is lifted.

This situation raises the issue of when you may (or may not) clean a ball that is lifted. In most cases, a ball lifted under a Rule may be cleaned, however there are three specific instances when a lifted ball must not be cleaned:

- a) When a ball is lifted to determine if it is unfit for play (Rule 5-3)
- b) When a ball is lifted for identification (Rule 2-2) in which case it may be cleaned only to the extent necessary for identification
- c) When a ball is lifted because it is assisting or interfering with play

Note: It is advisable when a ball is lifted and cleaning is not permitted, to hold the ball between thumb and first finger and keep it clearly visible at all times – actions that have been deemed to constitute cleaning include rubbing the ball in the hand and placing the ball in one's pocket. If a player cleans his ball when not permitted to do so under Rule 21, he incurs a 1 stroke penalty

2. Lifting and Marking

It is not uncommon on our course to see players touching, moving or lifting their ball without first marking its position. I frequently observe players rolling or lifting their ball to identify it (in the rough and on the fairway) without marking its position. Rule 20-1, clearly states "the position of the ball must be marked before it is lifted under a Rule that requires it to be replaced. If it is not marked, the player incurs a penalty of one stroke and the ball must be replaced".

RULES CORNER Cont...

During play of hole 14 in the men's shootout, one player incurred a 1 stroke penalty for touching and lining up his ball on the putting green but he had not marked the position of the ball before doing so. Rule 18-2 also clearly states that a player must not purposely touch a ball in play.

If a player is unable to see identification marks on his ball at rest and is unsure that it is his ball, he is entitled to mark and lift his ball for identification. He must do this only after announcing his intention to do so and give his marker or opponent the opportunity to observe the marking, lifting and replacing of the ball.

Good golf etiquette – Raking a bunker

The quality of bunker raking is one of those things that can irk players so here are some tips on how to do it better.

Firstly you owe it to golfers playing after you to leave a bunker in great condition. In a game that at times can be frustrating, there is possibly nothing worse than to find your ball sitting in a rotten lie because a previous player has poorly raked a bunker, or worse still not even attempted to do so.

Enter the bunker from the low side at a point nearest to the ball. Avoid steep sided parts of the bunker.

Especially if it is some distance to your ball take the rake with you and place it in the bunker but away from any interference with your stance and swing

Try not to wander around the bunker and create extra footmarks. If possible view your shot line from outside the bunker.

Once you have played your shot, grab the rake and flatten out your shot foot marks, divot and the pitch mark. Smooth out your foot marks as you retrace your original steps.

Make your final raking movements away from you as this tends to give a flatter surface. Make sure there are no hollows and humps.

Leave the rake OUTSIDE the bunker with the handle facing parallel to the line of play.

Dragging the rake behind you as you exit is a lazy raking method and can leave a long trail that a golf ball can get embedded into. It only takes perhaps 10-15 seconds extra to properly rake an average bunker trail.

Why leave the rake outside the bunker in a location least likely to affect play (at least that's the preferred practice at Manawatu GC)? When the ball comes to rest on or against a rake in the bunker and the player must proceed under Rule 24-1, it may not be possible to replace the ball on the same spot or find a spot in the bunker which is not nearer the hole. The R&A's view....There is not a perfect answer for the position of rakes, but on balance it is felt there is less likelihood of an advantage or disadvantage to the player if rakes are placed outside bunkers.

NZ Falcons - Kārearea



Here at the club we are very fortunate to have some new residents. A mating pair of NZ Falcons - Kārearea, have taking a liking to our beautiful grounds. Hopefully you are lucky enough to hear or see them around! We feel very privileged to have the pair here as there are only 5000-8000 left in NZ. If you do see them, please allow them their space as we would like them to stay. Photo credit to Cleland Wallace









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PAR 3 CHALLENGE

SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER 2017

12.30PM SHOTGUN START

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What's on in November...

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.

November

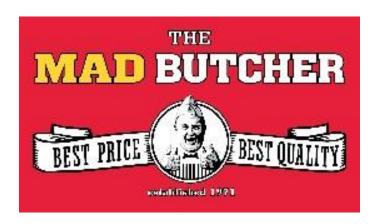
at 5	6	13	20 Bidfood Tournament	27	
	7 18 Hole & 9 Hole Melbourne Cup Day	14 18 Hole & 9 Hole Mid-week Closing Day	21 Christmas Cheer	28 Summer Golf	
1 9 Hole: Stableford	8 9 Hole: Committee Choice	15 9 Hole: Closing Christmas Cheer WAM Dinner	9 Hole: Committee Choice	29 9 Hole: Summer Competition	
2 Sponsor's Day	9 Women's Shootout	16 Nuview Wealth Solutions Business House	23	30	
Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	17 Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	Z4 Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start 9 Hole: Champion of Champions		
9 Hole: Stableford Semi Finals Club Champs to be completed Professionals Day	11 Stroke & Trophy Presentation Day 9 Hole: Closing, Christmas Cheer Saturday Closing Day	18 9 Hole: Club Closing Day Club Closing Day (Galloway Cup Mixed Foursomes)	25 Christmas Cheer 9 Hole: Club Christmas Cheer \$15 Club Christmas Cheer AM & PM		
5 Club Champs Finals Day	12 Shamrock Tournament	19 B Grade Championship	26 9 Hole Fun Day from 3pm		







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