

October 2017

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As you will all know the September rain along with a bit of hail thrown in has endowed us with a very wet course. We are hopeful that all this is behind us and look forward to a much drier course through the summer. I really appreciate the efforts that the Green staff have gone to, to keep the course open.

In keeping with tradition, last weekend the Club proudly hosted the 83rd Devil's Own Tournament which was once again highly successful. We have a number of traditions in our Club history and hosting the Devil's Own is certainly one of these and is something that we must continue to do. While I appreciate that it is an inconvenience to members to have their course closed for three days, we do endeavour to offer alternatives and I would like to thank the 36 men who joined me on the bus trip away to Paraparaumu Golf Course. It was really a great day.

Since 1895 the Manawatu Golf Club has been a flourishing Club and latterly a very successful business model consisting of the golf course, café/bar/conference facility and Pro Shop. Since its inception the Club has been served very well by committees but due to the size and diversification of the business there has been some discussion as to whether or not we would be better served under the governance of a Board or to keep to the status quo with the current Committee structure making decisions on behalf of members. During October we are having discussions with a Consultant about the pros and cons of a Board versus Committee. We will report back to you on the findings but rest assured, any changes will be voted on by the members, not by Committee. Feel free to discuss this issue with me or Warren at any stage.

We are continuing to work closely with the Council and Wallace Developments on the Centennial Park development.

Competition wise we are now well into the Club Championship rounds with the finals due to be played on Sunday 5 November. During October we are also running the Manawatu Open 36 Hole event.

Finally, on a sadder note, our condolences go to longstanding Committee Member and Vice President Nathan Hopcroft on the recent passing of his father.

Enjoy your golf.

Peter McRedmond - Club President

GENERAL MANAGER

Well how wrong was I thinking the course was drying out. Every shower seems to have 10mm of rain and this has made Kiel and his team members job very difficult. Rest assured they are verti draining the significant wet areas but there is no substitute for some sun and wind to dry it all out.

I have just witnessed my first "Devils Own" Tournament and I can't speak highly enough of the staff for their efforts. Every sector of the club performed outstanding with nothing but favourable comments from the organisers. The Manawatu Golf Club is very fortunate to have such dedicated staff. Also we must make mention of you, the members who gave up your course and facility for the three days, thank you for your understanding. The contribution from the participants playing in the three day turnover is amazing, not only in the Bar/Café but also the Golf Shop.

With daylight saving upon us, the Committee has agreed to extend closing time of the Golf Shop to 6.00pm 7 days of the week. This will allow range patronage to be extended and now you will have the opportunity to take a lesson or two after work. Obviously any decision like this will be monitored and reviewed to see if the change is warranted. The extended hours will commence Monday 16 October.

Early October will see the sponsorship packages released for the Horizon Golf NZPGA Championship 2018. Supporting sponsors from the 2017 event have all been contacted and I have been excited with the response received to date. Membership will get to see these when released and at all times please contact myself or the office for assistance with these. Likewise if you see an opportunity for your business to be part of the club's sponsorship group then give us a call.

If you have an interest in being involved in anything to do with the NZPGA then please let us know. It is our intention to provide regular feedback to the membership on how the event is progressing.

On a negative note, members continue to park in areas that are clearly not a designated carpark. It has become frustrating for members that abide by the rules and yet a certain few choose to park where they like. It is only a matter of time before a car is hit and damaged in this situation. All we ask is you park in the correct parking spaces. On busy days we are looking at options for additional parking.

Good golfing

Warren Collett - General Manager



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Entry Fee \$45 (includes lunch) | Mens & Womens Divisions | Gross & Net Prizes

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Please enter online at www.manawatugolfclub.com (Payment required on entry) Entries close Monday 16th October

Restricted to the lowest 96 entries by handicap at the date of entry closing. Draw will be posted on www.manawatugolfclub.com by Friday 20th October.





MANAWATU GOLF CLUB

Pro Shop

Hi Everyone,

Unfortunately the weather didn't improve over September, which meant we all didn't get as much golf as we would have liked. Maybe we might get better weather in October - here's hoping!

At the start of September Andre, Ben & Myself (Alan) went to our biennial NZ Professional Golf Association summit. We had some world leaders in certain fields of the golf game presenting. The summit went for two days and all three of us came out of there more wiser (maybe not Andre as he thinks he's pretty wise already). We all took out some valuable information that we could bring back to the golf club and implement.

Tip of the Month:

This month's tip is on the short game. If you have limited practice time or like a lot of us, practice doesn't exist and you just play your midweek or weekend golf and that's it, then you should try this simple tip. Chip with one club and only that club. Get used to chipping with that club, in terms of how high/low the ball flies and how far the ball generally rolls out once it hits the green. We are always told to use a variety of clubs to chip with, which is fine if you practise with them, but if you don't have time to practise with all those clubs how can we get consistent with them and know how the ball will react with that club. So keep it simple, use one club (preferably the sand wedge) and see if your chipping improves.

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 and Maraea









MEN'S GOLF

Men's Club Captain's Report

Saturday the 2nd saw Gordon Reynolds take out the Craigs Investments Partners Tankard, kindly sponsored by Ewan Westergaard. Great stuff Gordy. This is the second

time Gordon has won the highly sought after tankard.

The lousy winter/spring continued with the course closed the following weekend, due to the humungous amount of rain we had that week.

Saturday the 16 saw a large field play for the "Devils Own" stableford trophy. It was quite ironic that Father Brian Walsh took out this trophy! Brian also won a lovely shirt, one of 6 donated by the "Devils Own". This is always really appreciated by the Saturday Men.



Father Brian Walsh

On Saturday 23rd, the Saturday men went on their annual bus trip, this time to Paraparaumu. Costs were kept down thanks big time to the raffle boys, Vonky and Rodders. By all accounts a memorable trip, and a great time was had by all. President Pete took on the bus and basically ended up even – well done mate.

The final of the Imlay Saunders has been played, with Guy Perry and Mudra Lakhani beating Rodney (Rodders) Smith and Emma Clayton. Congratulations Guy and Mudra, you were the team to beat from the outset. Club Champs matches are progressing well despite the lousy weather, and Devils Own weekend. Keep it up please, remember Club Finals day is Sunday November 5 – this is for ALL finals.

Good golfing everybody, surely the weather will turn and we can start playing in sunshine. BC

DEVILS OWN

Devils own didn't just have a shot gun start... they had a 3 CANNON Start!

The video of the cannons is on our Facebook page but it doesn't nearly demonstrate how loud they were in real life!!



WOMEN'S GOLF

Club Captain's Report

Spring is here at last and the course is getting back to normal and hopefully our golf scores will improve.

Our championship rounds are underway and matches are up to date as well.

The Silver Pennants had their final round at Castlecliff this month and managed a half against a very good Marton team. Congratulations to Deb Archer, Margie Bodell, Gael Elmes and Jill Clifton. Pahiatua Club was the winner this year followed by Feilding, Rangitikei and Marton.

The District Team didn't fare so well but they do have their final round on Monday 25th September at Wanganui so we wish them all the best..

The month of October is a very busy one for the Club with several events on. We have our House of Travel Open Day on Thursday 26th October and you can easily enter on line at the Manawatu website under "Tournaments and Events", but if you are unable to do this go and see Rachel in the Office and she will help you. Please mention this event to any friends from other clubs to join us as we have fabulous prizes; House of Travel \$500 from our very generous sponsor Alan Yesberg, plus \$500 worth of Melody's New World Vouchers plus a golf bag from Golf Distributors and many more prizes. Because of the Open Day in May being abandoned, we have very generously lowered the entry fee to only \$20.

We also have the P.North Interclub, which was cancelled in July, scheduled for Saturday 21st October so please go to the web site and enter this event as well. The course will be superb by then as the Manawatu Open Championship is the very next day. So do come and play if you're home for Labour Weekend.

We have some very excited players venturing up to Auckland at the end of this month to watch Lydia Ko at the McKayson New Zealand Women's Open at Windross Farm. Another special player to watch is the Big Hitting Kiwi Phillis Meti who has been invited to compete. Hopefully we will all be inspired by the fabulous golf.

Looking forward to a very sunny October.

Angela Pivac - Women's Club Captain



Congratulations to Jo Williamson for her Hole-In-One!

WOMEN'S GOLF

Saturday Convener Report

Excellent progress has been made with our competitions, with results to date as follows:

Clarke Cup Tania Hook

Watson Bros Cup Lily Griffin

Dawn Matthews Christine Rose & Anne Eggers

Coming up we have the Werner Cup final between Christine Rose and Vicki Worker and the Watson Bros Cup Flight final between Anne Eggers and Eva Heinrich. Looking forward to hearing the match reports in due course.

Closure of the course for the Devil's Own weekend provided an opportunity to get out and discover some of the smaller courses in our region. One group ventured to Eketahuna, where any fears about conditions underfoot being boggy were promptly put to rest when a friendly local drove her car up the second fairway behind us to advise that she'd turned the electric fences off. Further round we encountered a glorious grove of rhododendrons and later we were able to pose for photos with the wildlife... Golf scores were mixed but a great day out was completed with a superb lunch at The Lazy Graze. If you're looking for somewhere to go for a golfing day out then this one is highly recommended.



Our next social outing is to the Manawatu Chinese Society fund-raising dinner at Chinatown Restaurant on October 15. Other club members are more than welcome to join us, speak to Chai Young if interested.

Finally a pitch for all to consider putting their hands up for roles as Saturday Convenor and Committee members for next year. This is your opportunity to give back to the club and have a say in the various competitions, fun days and social outings. All that's needed is some passion and ideas, we're a fun bunch to work with. Talk to Ann-Marie, Eva, Janine, Kathy or Linda if you want to know more.

Linda Hill - Saturday Convener



House of Travel Women's Open Day

Thursday 26th October 2017—10am Siren Start Registration 8:45am- 9:30am

Three divisions—0 to 40.4 index

GROSS—NETT—STABLEFORD

Entry Fee—\$20.00 includes twos, longest drives and accuracy

Major prizes totalling over \$2000*

House of Travel Broadway - Voucher for Best Stableford Overall
Courtesy of Alan Yesberg



Entries close MONDAY 23rd October
Slope rating 125. Handicap index and Club ID essential
Entries to: Manawatu Golf Club, 19 Centennial Drive, Palmerston North
Enter online at manawatugolfclub.com/tournaments
events@manawatugolfclub.com Cash payment to be made on the day
* Players must be in the Clubhouse to be eligible for 3 major prizes









OTHER CLUB GOLF

District Order of merit event results

In September the Manawatu-Wanganui Strokeplay also known as the Challenge Cup was played at Palmerston North. This was the 4th event this year in the district's order of merit

series. As per normal this year, rain leading up to the event made the rough particularly soft, although the fairways and greens were in good condition. The weather and conditions probably were the reason for a low turnout of just 39 men and 13 women!

One of our clubs top golfers Regan McConaghty prevailed to win the trophy with rounds of 72 and 69, 1 shot ahead of Palmerston Nth Junior Tatana who had a great first round of 68. Kaleb Idemaru won the boys (U19) section. In the women's event, Lily Griffin with rounds of 78 and 81 came second tied with Levin's Brydie Hodge. Both were behind the winner, 12 year old Zhuoyi Hu from Royal Wellington who had rounds of 72 and 77.

The next order of merit event is the Manawatu Open on Labour weekend Sunday October 22nd.



Regan McConaghty

Manawatu-Wanganui Strokeplay - Challenge Cup						
Pos	Men	R1	R2	Gross	Net	Pos
1	Regan McConaghty	72	69	141	143	3
2	Junior Tatana	68	74	142	144	9
3	Liam Finlayson	74	71	145	145	11
6	Guy Perry	76	75	151	149	20
7	Kaleb Idemaru	74	77	151	144	7
12	Jason Westwood	76	79	155	143	5
16	Tim Berry	81	78	159	157	30
19	Ethan Dodds	81	80	161	147	15
25	Richard Shaw	80	90	170	150	22

Pos	Women	R1	R2	Gross	Net	Pos
1	Zhuoyi Hu	72	77	149	143	1
2	Brydie Hodge	81	78	159	157	10
3	Lily Griffin	78	81	159	147	3
4	Mudra Lakhani	81	79	160	150	4
5	Tania Hook	82	82	164	154	7
12	Rebecca Hopper	90	93	183	161	12

Glendinning Cup

The district's inter-committee completion the Glendinning Cup was played at Rangitira this year. The club's team of Vicki Worker (32 points), Scott Haumaha (35 points), Rodney "Ralph" Thomas (35 points) and Richard Shaw (38 points) came 6th overall with 140 points. The locals course knowledge gave them a big advantage to win overall with stableford scores of 49, 41, 38 and 29 points (157 total).

The following club players have been named in district representative teams

Junior Interprovincial team to play in Cambridge from 2 - 6 October

Kaleb Idemaru and Ethan Dodds

Shand Cup & Sybil Green Quadrangular teams to play at Boulcotts Farm Heritage Golf Club, Lower Hutt on 7/8 October

- Senior Men: Regan McConaghty, Guy Perry, Matt Francis and Tim Berry (reserve)
- Masters Men: Rhys Watkins
- Senior Women: Mudra Lakhani, Tania Hook and Rebecca Hopper (reserve)

Wellington Strokeplay

A number of the Manawatu Wanganui representative players competed in the 72 hole Wellington Stokeplay at Shandon Golf Club in Petone. Guy Perry had a very good weekend to come tied 4th with rounds of 73, 72, 70 & 70. Guy was 15 shots behind winner Daniel Hillier from Wellington. Regan McConaghty came mid field. Lily Griffin did well with rounds of 82, 82, 83 & 86 to come 6th amongst the women.

New Zealand Age Group Champs in Hawkes Bay

Some of the club's juniors competed at the NZ Secondary Schools and Age group Champs held in Hawkes Bay in early September. At the NZ secondary schools, the Palmerston North Boys High school team of Greg Shaw (rounds of 76 & 75), Kaleb Idemaru (71 & 79), Ethan Dodds (89 & 88) all from Manawatu GC and Bradley McSherry (81 & 70) from Palmerston North GC came 7th overall. The team's score of 452 was 31 shots behind winners Christchurch Boys High School.

At the NZ Age Group Champs held at Hastings Golf Club Greg Shaw had a good event with rounds of 75, 68 and 78 to come tied for 8th place. Greg's 68 was the tournaments low round which had him in tied 2nd place going into the final round. Unfortunately Kaleb Idemaru (80, 83) and Ethan Dodds (76, 85) missed the cut. Mudra Lakhani playing at Hawkes Bay Golf Club had rounds of 85, 86 & 84 to be in 40th place.



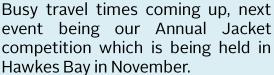




MIXED 9 HOLE

Quite a number of our 9 hole players have vacated Palmerston North and headed north. Why you ask.....to watch Lydia and her fellow players of course. We have all enjoyed our first day at Windross Farm Golf course where the NZ Women's Open (LPGA) event is being played. The morning weather was perfect conditions, sunny and warm. The afternoon was not so good for the afternoon starters as the wind had picked up, and there were a few drops of rain with some sound effects (thunder).







In other news, the Club Champs are well underway, with some great matches being played. Good luck to those that are still in the running.

9 holders remember our Open Day is on 16th October, we really need your support.

Good golfing everyone - Colleen Fraser

NEW MEMBERS –

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

7 Day Member – Leanh Nguyen, Alan Pierce

6 Day Member – Andy Williams

During this same period, 9 members resigned bringing our total membership number to 939 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

September has continued the trend in producing trying conditions for golf as well as greenkeeping. We have endeavoured to keep up with the on-going maintenance of the course, in particular the greens which have required extra work for drainage and treatment for various diseases. The tees have all been sprayed for weeds and have been sliced to allow for better drainage.

Whilst the weather did its best to make life difficult for all, the Devils Own Tournament went well with some great feedback on the condition of the course. Hopefully next year will be better weather-wise.

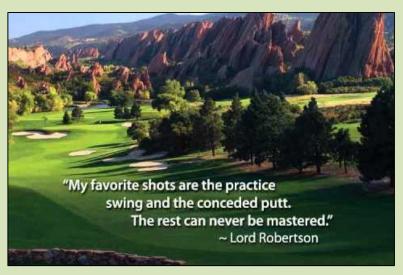
We welcome Sam Smith to the team as our new apprentice. Sam has been with us for a while as part of the work experience program "Gateway" whilst still at college. He will be doing his level 3 Turf Course over the coming year.

We wish all who are in the Club Champs good luck in their remaining matches and hope the weather clears so that we can all enjoy some dry golf!

Please continue to replace divots and repair pitch marks.

Happy Golfing

Campbell Devaney



There was a fantastic Hail storm at the club on 11th September!





RULES CORNER

With the continuing wet conditions we are experiencing on our course, it is timely to build on relief procedures covered last month (casual water on the green) and review relief procedures a player may be entitled to when confronted with casual water through the green and in bunkers.

Casual water

By definition, casual water is any temporary accumulation of water on the course that is not in a water hazard and is visible before or after the player takes his/her stance. Snow and natural ice other than frost are either casual water or loose impediments, at the option of the player. A ball is in casual water when it lies in or any part of it touches the casual water. Again by definition, casual water is included among the abnormal ground conditions listed in Rule 25. NOTE the casual water must be visible before or after the player takes a "normal stance" and excessive downward foot pressure in an attempt to produce visible water is not permitted! Also note, casual water does not include soft soggy ground. Relief from these areas without penalty would have to be covered by way of a posted Local Rule.

Penalty free relief from casual water is available when the casual water causes interference – ie the ball lies in or touches the casual water, or casual water interferes with the player's stance or the area of intended swing.

Relief through the green: assuming the casual water causes interference as defined above, the player must lift the ball and drop it without penalty, within one club-length of and not nearer the hole than the nearest point of relief - this point must not be in a hazard or on a putting green. NOTE: there is only one nearest point of relief - if the ball is originally in casual water on the fairway, this point may be in the rough and vice versa.

Relief from casual water in a bunker: if the ball is in casual water in a bunker, the player must lift the ball and drop it either:

- A. Without penalty within one club-length of the nearest point of relief which must be in the bunker and the ball must be dropped in the bunker. If complete relief is not possible, the ball must be dropped as near as possible to the nearest point in the bunker that provides maximum available relief
- B. Under penalty of one stroke outside the bunker on a line keeping the point where the ball lay directly between the hole and the spot on which the ball is dropped there is no limit to how far behind the bunker the ball may be dropped.





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



Ordered in especially for the Devils own! "Daredevil" by Emerson's brewery.

It was a great hit for those attending the tournament and there is a little bit left that we have on special for those who would like to try it!

The Supper Club

On Friday 22nd September we hosted a table as part of the "Supper Club". Groups of people purchase a table for dinner and the dinner venues aer drawn on the night! It's a surprise dinner!

We hosted 8 people and the Manawatu Golf Club donated the meal as part of the fundraiser for Ronald McDonald House







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Details are being finalised for another great season of DISCOVER GOLF!

If you have friends or partners that would love to get into golf the Discover golf program is the way to go!

Running during November

Keep your eye out for further information in the coming weeks!

What's on in October...

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.

October

MEN

30	2
31 18 Hole: Starter's Choice 9 Hole: Stableford	3 18 Hole: Stableford 9 Hole: Stableford
	4 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Stableford
	5 Thursday Club Dorothy Taylor Grandmother's Salver
	6
	7 Craigs Investment Tankard Draw 9 Hole: Stableford Stableford
1	8 2nd Round Club Championships to be completed

9	9 Hole: Open Day	23
10 18 Hole: Par 9 Hole: Par	17 18 Hole: Pro Shop Stableford 9 Hole: Stroke	24 18 Hole: Mellsop Cup & Doris Dixon 9 Hole: Stableford
11 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Par	18 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Stroke, LGU	25 Wade Cup Stableford 9 Hole: Stableford
Nuview Wealth Solutions Business House	19	26 Charity Pairs Open Day
13 CAANZ Tournament	20	27 Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start First Night
14 Par 2nd Round Club Champs & Round 1 flights to be completed 9 Hole: Par, Semi-Final Club Champs to be completed Par	21 Stroke 9 Hole: Stroke, LGU Pro Shop Stableford	28 Par Semifinal Club Champs & Round 2 flights to be completed 9 Hole: Stableford Mellsop Cup & Doris Dixon
15	22 Manawatu Open Championship - Course Closed	29 Men's Shootout





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