



President's Report

Jean is currently taking a well deserved break and will update next month

Saturday Winter Start Times

Reminder - Saturday club day start time is 11.00am and will run through to Saturday August 3rd [inclusive]

We will move back to 12.00 noon on Saturday August 10th



Hole-in-One

The odds for most of us hitting a tee shot down the middle of the fairway are... so so, but for Bill Vercoe its expected.

The odds of an amateur golfer making a hole in one on a par 3 hole are roughly 12,500 to 1. Probably a good bit less for Bill?

Congratulations Bill on your Hole in One - Saturday 18.05.24 on #17 at Totaradale Golf Club. "Straight down the middle BV"



Hore Rosebowl - Mixed 4BBB Stb

Winners - Anna & Ruary O'Toole 41
R/Up - Jean Nichol & Ross Dalley 41
3rd - Helen White & Steve Cox 40
4th - Carmen Cartwright & Spiro Cosmatos 40
5th - Jo Hay & Brent Harris 39

Midweek Captain's Report

We have still been lucky with the weather though the greenkeeper would like to see some rain. Competitions are running smoothly with the Watkins Memorial being won by Chris McKeown. Well done Chris. The Drummond Cup first round was won by Bill Vercoe second was Ron Hay.

Monthly Medal was won by Bruce Whittington and second Peter Bowler. Richard Jack Memorial drawn pairs has started June 4th.

The Old Hickory will be played at our course this Thursday 6th June good luck guys.

That's it for this month... JB Gimme?

A gimme can be defined as a agreement between two golfers neither of whom can putt very well

From the Course Convenor

The weather, particularly lack of rain, continues to play havoc with the maintenance and good condition of the whole golf course. The fairways and rough are slow in growing. The green you see in the grass is lacking any substance and heavy frosts will not help, in fact will be detrimental to the health of the grass.

Your greenkeeper Ian continues to do an excellent job in maintaining the good condition of the greens. The regular spray programmes are really showing great results. However if we had some rain it would be even better.

YOU CAN HELP IMPROVE THE CONDITION OF THE COURSE BY REPLACING DIVOTS AND REPAIRING PITCH MARKS

The large oak tree stump by the sheds is being removed so that a 'portacom' building can be put up for the greenkeepers office and to store course maintenance products. Space will be freed up in the existing shed so that machine maintenance/repair work can be done out of the rain and wind.

Prunings and other rubbish in the heap behind number five green has been burnt off. This area will be tidied up and gorse, broom and thistles sprayed.

Work continues in trimming trees and other general tidying up.

The clay area beside number 12 tee will be roped off over winter to prevent people slipping and injuring themselves. Planning is underway for a long term solution for this area.

Thanks to those who come along and help out, this is much appreciated by Ian and me.

Good golfing Bill Filmer



Rules Corner - True or False Golf Ball Myths

There are quite a number of myths on the course surrounding the ball you are playing with, here are a few general misunderstandings:-



Before starting a round of golf a player must announce to his fellow competitor or opponent the make and number of the ball he is about to tee off with.

False - A player is responsible for playing the proper ball [his ball in play] and should put an identification mark on his ball to avoid any dispute. There is no obligation for him to announce the make and number; however it is generally good practice to do so.

A player wishing to change his ball in between holes must announce his intention to his fellow competitor or opponent.

False - A player may play with a different ball for each hole played if he so wishes and there is no obligation to make any announcement but there is no harm in doing to avoid any confusion. However, a player must not change his ball during the play of a hole unless permitted under the Rules e.g. ball out of bounds.

A player wishing to play a provisional ball for a ball that may be lost outside a water hazard or may be out of bounds must announce the make and number of both his original ball and the provisional ball.

False - Again the responsibility lies with the player to be able to identify both the original and provisional ball. There is no need to make any announcement; however, it is good practice to do so to avoid any dispute that may arise should both balls be found in the same vicinity.

If a player plays a provisional ball in case his original ball has come to rest out of bounds and subsequently finds his original ball in play but unplayable, he may choose to continue with his provisional ball if he so wishes.

False - If the player finds his original ball in play, the provisional ball must be abandoned and he must continue play with the original ball or proceed under the unplayable ball rule.

If a player needs to lift his ball to identify it he must first call over his opponent or marker to observe the procedure.

False - The player may lift [or rotate] the ball to identify it but the spot of the ball must first be marked and it must not be cleaned more than needed to identify it. There is no longer any need for an opponent or marker to observe the procedure.

In stroke play a player may declare his ball on the green 'as marked' in order that other players may continue putting without risk of penalty.

False - If a player's ball in motion after a stroke on the putting green strikes another ball in play and at rest on the putting green, he is penalised two strokes and must now play his ball as it lies. The fact that the ball at rest was declared 'as marked' is irrelevant and the player cannot avoid the penalty. Always insist other players mark the position of their balls on the green before you putt.

Men's Captain Report

The men are moving forward with the winter comps, there are a few different winners each week, so vouchers are being shared around.

Congratulations to those who have been in the front. Course conditions are excellent at the moment, and thanks very much to Ian and his band of volunteers.

Good luck to all in the upcoming comps especially those in the Costello and Jenkins match play semi and finals.

Ross

Eagles Visit

Saturday

22nd June



The Nelson/Marlborough Eagles will be joining us on Saturday 22nd June. It's great to be able to welcome these guys on our club day. The Eagles do a tremendous amount of work both with the Halberg Disability Sports Foundation and also junior golf throughout New Zealand. The competition of the day will be Winter Stableford 2 not Par 2.

9 Hole Ladies Captain Report

The month of May saw us hosting Inter Club and Anne, Clare, Ali and Lyn represented us with three wins and a draw, so well done ladies. What a difference home course advantage makes.

A number of players also competed in the Greenacres Grandmother's Tournament and the Tasman Tournament but with limited success.

Looking forward to next month's competitions.

Helene



18 Hole Ladies Captain's Report

The weather gods shone for our foursomes with near perfect conditions. We had 54 in the field representing all the regions clubs.

The ladies pulled together once again to make this a memorable event. Sali's morning tea set the bar with homemade fare and even gluten free options. The raffle table as always was amazing and a reflection of the culinary skills and generosity of our members.

Fran's fantastic prize table ran to 12th place prizes, plus novelties, plus a country rover prize (particularly well received by Nelson ladies, delighted with their hand knitted beanies and socks).

Many other Totaradale ladies quietly pitched in to complete other duties. Thankyou.

The Net prize was won by Sue Taylor and Ros McKeown and the Gross prize won by Pip and Adrienne.

Jill's first afternoon tea received many justified compliments by members and visitors alike. The compliments about the course were abundant, thanks to Ian and his team.

The second Pennant match was played at Greenacres on 18th against Golden Downs. The ladies fought hard securing 2 wins. Golden Downs had a very good day securing 6 wins.

On the 30th May Yvonne, Pip, Robyn, Willie, Sue and Kaye T went to Motueka to challenge for the Achesan Cup. Unfortunately, Yvonne's win and Robyn's half were not enough to wrangle the trophy away.

Thanks to all the ladies who travelled to Golden Downs for the District Open Day on the 23rd. A very successful event by all accounts.

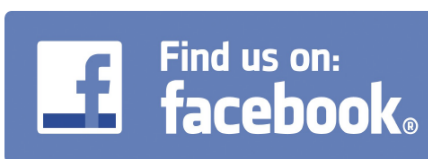
The Liddle Cup starts on the 8th of June. Good luck to all participants.



*Sue Taylor & Ros McKeown
Foursomes Nett Winners*



*Pip Edwards & Adrienne Wislang
Foursomes Gross Winners*



UP & COMING DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sat 8th June - Costello & Jenkins Finals
- Sat 15th June - Mens Par 2 [not Stb 2]
- Sat 22nd June - Eagles Visit & Mens Winter Stableford 2
- Sun 23rd June - Robinson Trophy - [Mixed Pairs American Foursomes]
- Friday 28th June - Matariki Day
- Sat 29th June - Mens Stroke Play Rnd 1



Our Club's Mission Statement

The Mission of Totaradale Golf Club is to provide our members, guests and visitors with a quality golfing experience within a friendly and welcoming atmosphere.

This we will do with a team of well trained and highly motivated staff and volunteers, working together to make our Club an enjoyable and affordable place to play golf and socialise.

The Golf Course is always our main priority. We are aware that Golf can be a dangerous game and thus have taken steps to make players aware of specific danger zones which are well sign posted on our 9 hole Golf Course.

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