

“THE CLUBHOUSE NEWS”

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WELCOME TO THE SECOND ISSUE OF THE TAIRUA GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB NEWSLETTER FOR 2022

The Editor Janine Carson would welcome any contributions & photographs

FROM THE PRESIDENT

This week saw the arrival of a much needed new rough mower which came about through the generosity of club members who wish to remain anonymous advancing the club a \$30k interest free loan for a two year period. We are very lucky to have members like this.

“First Friday” members draw saw Allan Russell take away \$350, I think he is still smiling. Members draw is first Friday of the month between 5.15 and 6.45pm. In March it will start again at \$200 you must be in the clubhouse to win.

Sadly Craig and Jan Collier have decided to retire from sponsoring our annual shootout but our other long time sponsors; patrons and life members Alan & Margaret Wilson (along with a few others) are continuing to support this great fun club day. Thankyou to all that are making this possible.

Ken Edwards
President



WELCOME TO TAIRUA GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

NEW MEMBERS

Full Golf Members

- Mark Harris
- Aidan Kortegast

First Year Golf Members

- Simon Roche

Country Golf Members

- Tony Joyce
- Fred Watts

Junior Golf Members

- Bowie Rogers

Golf Croquet Members

- Sally Davis
- Kim van Diepen

2021/2022 BOARD OF THE TAIRUA GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

President	Ken Edwards
Men's Golf Captain	Mike McCann
Ladies Golf Captain	Vacant
Board Members at Large:	Steve Fang Brian Fellows John Fraser Jean McCann
Golf Croquet Representative	Michelle McLean
Ladies Golf Representative co-opted	Jan Stanley

\$5 FRIDAYS!!

Every Friday ALL DRINKS
are \$5 from 4pm till late

COME AND JOIN US EVERYONE WELCOME

MEMBERS DRAW

\$200!

Members must be there between 5:15 and 6:45 in person to win the random draw.

**Sky TV's on, pool and darts ready to play!
COME AND JOIN US EVERY FIRST
FRIDAY OF THE MONTH**



FEBRUARY'S WINNER WAS

ALAN RUSSELL

**AND YES ALAN WAS AT THE
CLUBHOUSE TO COLLECT!!!!**

Alan was kind enough to put a chunk of money behind the bar and a great night was had.

MEN'S GOLF CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

The last few weeks have been good for the club for not only have we had a high number of green fee players, but also the all carts have been hired out, some of them three times in the day. Thus the Boards decision to lease them has been vindicated.

On Thursday 27th January we had 17 players, on Saturday 29th 24 players, on Thursday 3rd February 14 players and Sat 5th February 24 players which was the first day of shootout. We have missed only two haggle days since my last report.

Shootout has started again, as the Wilson & Associates shootout. There will be a few changes to the format which will be published soon.

Because the second Business House day was rained out it has been extended one extra Wednesday with the finals and Prize Giving on 2 March.

Mike McCann
Men's Club Captain



9 HOLE GOLF CONVENOR'S REPORT

As the weather has not been kind, we have only managed to play golf on Tuesday 1 February which was our first day back.

We had 27 players, both 9 and 18 hole players (men and women), followed by a shared lunch which was enjoyed by everyone.

Both the 9 hole and 18 hole programmes have been added to the main programme.

Jan Collier is organising the 18 hole programme for 2022.

Jan Stanley
9 Hole Golf Convenor



COURSE CONVENOR'S REPORT

Great to see the rain but the humidity has started to increase disease on the greens. Dollar Spot plus other diseases are causing concern. Geoff would like to contact David Ormsby for advice and be a member of his organisation. This will give Geoff the ability to contact him on turf issues.

The coring of the greens will take place in the next week or two depending on the weather.

The earth sieve that Geoff has constructed is in use but requires fine weather to operate. Number seven green will be completely rebuilt with a temporary green in front.

The new rough mower is here. Not a moment too soon. The rain has boosted grass growth.



Geoff is happy to leave appointment of casual greenkeeper until later.

The lady gardeners have been very active in clearing all the undergrowth around 4 green area. Also the undergrowth around and under bushes and trees on number 9 fairway. The bridge behind 4 green has been water blasted and after a scrape/sanding will be ready for painting.

Children are collecting golf balls from our course and selling them down town. While we can see their entrepreneurial skills as a Board we cannot allow this to happen because of Health and Safety issues. I have asked several members to report this activity to me and I will have a quiet word with them. As a Board we would be very upset and possibly seen to be negligent if a child had an accident or drowned in one of our ponds.

Brian Fellows
Course Convenor

GOLF CROQUET REPORT

Golf croquet is now back in full swing after a very short break over the holidays. It's great to see the high numbers attending each club day. Welcome to our new members Kim and Sally.

We have started a twilight competition on a Wednesday night, this coincides with twilight golf so everyone can meet in the club house afterwards if they want.

We are looking forward to hosting a golf versus fishing club croquet competition in early March, each team will have one golf croquet member in it, thanks to all those who volunteered to help.

As usual a big thank you to our volunteers who mow, weed eat and oil the lines to keep our courts in good order.

Michelle McLean
Golf Croquet Captain



TAIRUA GOLF PEST CONTROL

As many club members have sponsored the new DOC 200 traps, which have been added to the existing Good Nature traps, I thought that it might be good to add a record of catches made since we started July last year. We stopped in December and January as it was too busy to check traps over this time of year.

We check traps twice a month, resetting, adding new lure etc.

So the catches around the course are:

31 rats

1 mouse

5 hedgehogs

Thanks to the support of members sponsoring the traps around the course.

We are in need of four more traps, are you feeling 'ratty' at the moment, can you sponsor a trap and contribute to our pest control programme? You can have a trap named such as "Donated by the McCann Family" or not, as you wish. Can you help?

Total sponsorship: \$120.

Pay Tairua Golf Club Ref Traps and your name.

Allie Cotter and Steve Ovens



NEW SIGNS AND FLAGS

Thanks to Anna McGuire we have lovely new up-to-date signage including a new flag in the Club's colours, rules at each entrance and current details on the front of the clubhouse.



OUR CLUB SPONSORS

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FAMILY FUN DAY

There was so much fun on Family Fun Day with lots of budding golfers having a go.

I wonder if in years to come, one of these young ones will say they had their first go at golf at the Tairua Golf & Country Club.

Congratulations to Bowie Rogers, winner of the complimentary Junior Membership.





MELANION TOURNAMENT held 30 January was a mighty day with a full to overflowing course. Thanks to Neil & Judith Plummer our generous sponsors!





WELCOME BACK TO THE 9 & 18 HOLE PLAYERS





tairua
beach
club
eat ♦ drink

TWILIGHT GOLF COMPETITION

\$1,000 WORTH OF PRIZES!!

WEDNESDAY'S 4:00pm – 5:30pm

16, 23, 30 March 2022

9 Holes Net Competition
Players must have a handicap
Entry Fee: \$5 per person

Prizes every night.
Overall winners on the final night

Sign-up sheet on the members notice board or
Phone 07 864 8416 or email info@tairuagolf.co.nz



**TAIRUA GOLF &
COUNTRY CLUB**



BITS & PIECES....

COVID 19 PRECAUTIONS we need to all follow due procedures and the club will be vigilant regarding these restrictions for both members and visitors alike.

If you do not take a score card then please scan the QR code or sign in on the sheet located at both entries to the clubhouse.

While golf is a permitted activity in the Red Traffic Light level, clubs and facilities have been advised to take a cautious approach. The number one priority should be the health, safety and wellbeing of our staff, members, golf participants and the wider community.

Physical distancing of at least 1m between all staff, players and visitors should be maintained. Distancing should be maintained on the golf course and throughout all club facilities.

If you are inside the Clubhouse, you must provide your vaccine pass to enter and wear a mask until you are seated with a maximum of 100 guests permitted in the clubhouse at any one time.

We ask you to please wear your mask when moving around inside the clubhouse.

Here is the link....

<https://covid19.govt.nz/prepare-and-stay-safe/keep-up-healthy-habits/wear-a-face-mask/>

MAILCHIMP to inform members of competitions, events, etc, members will receive emails/newsletter/flyers from the Club unless they opt out by 'Unsubscribing', you will see this option on a group email from the Club.

MEMBERS PAGE on the website is active and includes, Newsletters, Board Minutes, the Constitution and By Laws are posted for members to read. Password is 38821.

FACEBOOK updates are posted from time to time on the club's Facebook page. Please 'Like' the club's Facebook page if you have a Facebook account.

VOLUNTEERS if you can help in any way around the Club, front office, bar, kitchen, course and general maintenance please contact the Club and offer your help.