

# Tairua Golf and Country Club



57th Annual General Meeting

Saturday 23rd November 2024

8.30 a.m.

Tairua Golf and Country Club House

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## Notice of 2024 Annual General Meeting



### **57<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Tairua Golf and Country Club**

**Saturday 23rd November 2024,**

**8.30am at the Clubhouse**

### **A G E N D A**

1. Apologies
2. Acceptance of the Minutes of the 56th Annual General Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023
3. Matters Arising:
4. Reports:
  - a. President's Report
  - b. Health and Safety Report
  - c. Course Convenor's Report
  - d. Men's Golf Report
  - e. Ladies Golf Report 9 and 18 -Hole
  - f. Golf Croquet Captain's Report
  - g. Finance and Auditors Report
5. Election of Officers:
  - a. Board Members - 1 at large
6. Patron confirmation
7. Appointment of Auditor
8. General Business

## **Board Members 2024**

### **President**

Ken Edwards

### **Men's Golf Captain**

Riki Tawa

### **Ladies' Golf Captain**

Jan Stanley

### **Golf Croquet Captain**

Michelle McLean

### **Board Members at Large**

Steven Fang

John Fraser

Brian Fellows

Jean McCann



## Confirmation of Minutes of the 2023 AGM

### 56<sup>TH</sup> GOLF AGM HELD AT THE TAIRUA GOLF and COUNTRY CLUB

ON SATURDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2023 AT 8.30 A.M.

**1. Welcome by President and House-Keeping rules.**

**2. Present and Apologies:**

**Present 42**

R Abbott, T Anderson, J Birdsall, B Birdsall, B Bovelander, P Bovelander, V Bradley G Chaffey,

B Cole, B Crawford, R Crossman, M Dunning, K Edwards, A Eltringham, G Eltringham, S Fang, B Fellows, S Fellows, C Graham, M Graham, K Hale, N Hammond, A Haussrer, G Hughes, L Ison, T Larsen, A Larsen, J McCann, M McCann, A McGuire, R McLean, M McLean, G Millar, S Muntz, L Radford, R Reid, W Rogers, R Russell, J Rutherford, J Shanley, L Smith, P Smith, J Stanley, R Tawa, M Wallace, D Wallace, C Watton, B Wickham, A Wilson.

**Apologies 12:**

Jill Abbott, Fiona and Keith Caldwell, Jan Collier, Mark Cory-Wright, Julie Dey, Jo Feasey, John Fraser, Jack Harrop, Brett Manssen, Sue McDonnell, Carolyn Williams.

**Moved:** Tina Larsen

**Seconder:** Ross Reid

**Moved** that the Apologies be accepted.

**All in favour**

**CARRIED.**

**3. The MINUTES of the 55<sup>th</sup> Golf AGM held on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022.**

*These were sent out prior to the Meeting.*

*Can I ask that they be taken as read and call for someone to move the motion that the minutes be accepted.*

**Moved:** Bruce Crawford

**Seconded:** Kath Hale

**Moved THAT** the Minutes of 26.11.22 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**All in favour**

**CARRIED.**

**4. Reports**

*All reports were circulated before the meeting.*

**a. President's Report:**

*The President's report was circulated before the meeting. Can I ask that it be taken as read and call for someone to move the motion.*

**Moved:** Tina Larsen

**Seconded:** Bronwyn Bovelander

**All in favour**

**Carried**

**b. Health and Safety Report**

*The **Health and Safety Report** be taken as read and to be accepted.*

**Moved:** Rick McLean

**Seconded:** Bruce Crawford

**All in favour**

**Carried**

**c. Course Convenor's Report**

*The **Course Convenor's** circulated before the meeting be taken as read and to be accepted.*

**Moved:** Brian Fellows

**Seconded:** Jan Stanley

**All in favour**

**Carried**

**d. Men's Golf Report**

*The **Men's Golf Report** be taken as read and to **be accepted**.*

**Moved:** Mike McCann

**Seconded:** Ron Abbott

**All in favour**

**Carried**

**e. Ladies Golf Report 9 and 18-Hole Reports**

*The **Ladies Golf Report 9- and 18-Hole Reports** be taken as read and to be accepted.*

**Moved:** Jan Stanley

**Seconded:** Anna McQuire

**All in favour**

**Carried**

**f. Golf Croquet Report**

*The **Golf Croquet Report** be taken as read and be accepted.*

**Moved:** Michelle McLean

**Seconded:** Val Bradley

**All in favour**

**Carried**

**g. Financial and Auditor's Reports:**

*The **Financial Report** was circulated before the meeting and, as at close of business on Saturday 18 November, 7 days before, there were no enquiries.*

*The **Financial Reports** be taken as read and be accepted.*

**Moved:** Rick McLean

**Seconded:** Tina Larsen

**All in favour**  
**Carried**

**5. Election of Officers:**

As indicated in the AGM Booklet there were 4 vacancies on the Board to be filled at this AGM. The President and Course Convenor Brian Fellows had completed their term of Office as per the Constitution but were prepared to be re-nominated for a further term of Office. John Fraser and Stephen Fang continue as Board members.

According to the Constitution "Each elected member shall hold office for two years when they shall retire but shall be eligible for re-election."

Mike McCann the Men's Golf Captain has resigned, which created a vacancy for this position. We were short of one Member at Large during 2023.

The nominations received for these vacant positions were as follows:

| <b>POSITION</b>           | <b>NOMINEE NAME</b> | <b>PROPOSER</b> | <b>SECONDER</b> |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>PRESIDENT</b>          | Ken Edwards         | Brian Fellows   | Jan Stanley     |
| <b>MEN'S GOLF CAPTAIN</b> | Ricky Tawa          | Ken Edwards     | Mike McCann     |
| <b>MEMBER AT LARGE</b>    | Brian Fellows       | John Fraser     | Mike McCann     |
| <b>MEMBER AT LARGE</b>    | Jean McCann         | Ken Edwards     | John Fraser     |

No further nominations for these posts were received therefore I declare these Officers duly elected.

**Board Members for 2023/24 are therefore:**

Ken Edwards President, Brian Fellows Course Convenor, John Fraser Health and Safety, Jan Stanley Ladies Golf Captain, Riki Tawa Men's Golf Captain, Michelle McLean Golf Croquet Steven Fang and Jean McCann Members at Large.

Board Members were given a Round of Applause.

Mike McCann was thanked by the President for his role of Men's Golf Captain and for his contribution to the Club. He would continue in his efforts as Vice-Captain of Men's Golf.

**6. Confirmation of Patron**

I would like to confirm Margaret and Allan Wilson to continue the role of Patrons.

**Moved:** Ken Edwards

**Seconded:** Tina Larsen

**All in favour**

**Carried**

**7. Appointment of Auditor**



The current Auditor Lisa Radford of Phillip's and Co Ltd, and a current club member has indicated she is available to continue in this position. There being no other nomination for Auditor, the TGCC move that Lisa Radford of Phillip's and Co Ltd be re-appointed as the Club's auditor.

**Seconded:** Jill Shanley

**All in Favour**

**Carried**

#### **8. General Business:**

##### **Motions Proposed by the TGCC Board as amendments to the Constitution.**

The following to be put as a motion to the AGM as change in the Constitution needed.

##### **Under 11 Management**

1. That the "Club" in the wording of the Men's Golf Club Captain and Ladies Golf Club Captain be removed to read Men's Golf Captain and Ladies Golf Captain.

**Moved:** Ken Edwards

**Seconder:** Mike McCann

**All in favour.**

**Carried**

2. That the Men's Golf Captain and Ladies Golf Captain be elected by their respective sections prior to the AGM and the elected Captains be presented to members at the AGM. The process be that all section members be notified of the Election of Golf Captains 21 days before such election is to be held which will be on one of the normal golf section days. Nominations will be taken, and voting will be by a show of hands.

**Moved:** Ken Edwards

**Seconder:** Jan Stanley

**All in favour.**

**Carried.**

#### **9. Award of Life Membership**

**Life Membership being** "Any member who has rendered outstanding service to the Club may, on the recommendation of the Board, be elected a Life Member by two-thirds majority at any Annual General Meeting. There shall be no more than five Life Members at any one time and such Life Members shall not pay subscriptions but retain full rights."

The President on behalf of the Board puts the motion that **Bruce Crawford** be appointed a Life Member as agreed unanimously by the Board for his work and service to the Club.

**All in favour**

**Carried unanimously.**

Ron Abbott thanked the Board on behalf of the members for all their hard work for the Club.

As there were no further matters in general business, the meeting was declared closed at 8.45 a.m.

## Reports

### President's Report

Two depressing summers, rubbish weather producing low numbers in all aspects of our club, but 20<sup>th</sup> December SH25a reopened three months early. December 21<sup>st</sup> the visitors kicked our doors down and so the summer started. Green fees, cart hire, and golf shop turnover reached new heights and of course this reflected on bar takings. During this period the comments of wow what a great course, haven't been here before but will be back, never seen the course in such good nick were heard every day. A new outdoor area was completed along with new umbrellas and got a few good workouts over the summer period.

Autumn and the weather stayed good and kept on producing good numbers for us. Paul McKiddie joined us as our new Club Manager and Tanya Zimmerman as our new bar tender. Tairua netball girls have taken over our first Friday dinners which is great for us and for them as they fundraise for a Rarotonga trip in November.

Winter and we still managed to keep the tills ringing with the course being open and very often for carts as well. For this we must thank our greenkeepers for their efforts. Sadly we lost our Patron and Life Member Allan Wilson. August came and so did the burglars who broke into the greenkeeper's shed and stole all of our chainsaws and blowers as well as a few tools. Thanks to our insurance we now have new ones.

With recent 50<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> birthdays and the "Elvis" night the club house is producing some good revenue. We do have more functions in the pipeline. We do have a few group bookings for 2025 which backs up the point that we are now a "destination" rather than that country track.

Congratulations and thank you to all that represented us in pennants competitions during the year.

The financial report shows that we are in a great position, and I thank all board members for their efforts this year, I have enjoyed working with you all.

As with previous years a big thank you goes out to all of our loyal volunteers, this club would not survive without you. It makes me very proud to be a part of Tairua Golf & Country Club.

**Ken Edwards**  
**Club President**

### Tairua Golf and Country Club Health and Safety Report to 30 September 2024

As most of you are aware, our Club has had a very good, busy year.

We have a wonderful group of volunteers (not enough) who do wonderful work in our kitchen, our gardens, and on our Course, and without them we would not be the Club that we are.

It's a credit to these volunteers that they have been able generally to keep themselves and their friends safe throughout the year.



We have had only one serious accident, in February one of our volunteers, while operating our log splitter, had his hand caught in the machine. Log splitters are inherently dangerous pieces of equipment, and a modification has been made to the machine to prevent a similar mishap from occurring.

Our volunteer suffered serious lacerations to his hand and two broken bones, from which he has recovered pretty well. (if you look at his current golf scores!)

So to all of our volunteers, and golfers, well done, keep up the good work and keep yourselves and your friends safe.

**John Fraser**  
**Health and Safety Officer**

### Course Convenor's Report

The milder weather this season has been relatively kind to our golf course.

The greens were cored in April and September and have recovered very well. It is the best I have seen our greens. A special thanks must go to our green keeper and the volunteers who give up their time to help. The new number 7 green is well established and shows what we can do to improve more greens.

The digger has proved very useful during the year with many drains being cleared and the pipe blockage from 13 lake. The digger has saved the old boys from tough manual work.

The boundary markers and a new protective shelter for ladies by 8 tee have all been painted. The new outdoor area by the clubhouse has new tables and umbrellas making this a great spot in the warm summer weather. The fence on the southern end of the old bowling green has been dismantled and a shrub border has been planted. The ladies have been busy keeping all the gardens around the clubhouse and course neat and tidy.

This year we have accumulated a large supply of firewood thanks to the developer on the northern side cutting the large pine trees above 12 green 13 and 14 fairways. Thirteen lake will be dug, and the surrounds will be cleared and planted out.

Our club is very fortunate to have many of its members helping out as volunteers. Without their efforts we would not be able to have such a great golf course.

**Brian Fellows**  
**Course Convenor**

### Men's Golf Club Captain's Report

This year's golf season was marked by high attendance and great participation across multiple competitions, with both new and traditional events fostering a sense of community and enjoyment among members. The Atkinson Shield kicked off the season with an excellent turnout, and both Thursday and Saturday Scrambles continued to be well-supported throughout the year. Business House Golf on Wednesday nights drew enthusiastic participation, and thanks were extended to those who managed the bar and BBQ each week.

Several key events included the Lukies Summer Cup, Matchplay Championships, and Handicap Matchplay Competition, all of which saw strong competition across divisions. The

Men's Pennant team represented the club commendably in regional events, placing among the top six teams in Northern Waikato and advancing to finals. Throughout the year, the Men's section also introduced the 'Bunny Trophy' awards to celebrate playful mishaps, adding a fun dynamic to monthly meets.

Despite occasional challenges with weather, the course remained in excellent condition due to dedicated greenkeepers and volunteers. With camaraderie and light-hearted traditions like the new 'Bunny Trophy' and the long-standing Green Jacket ritual, the club has maintained a warm and inclusive environment, welcoming both new and returning members.

As the year draws to a close, we look forward to upcoming events, including the Men's Strokeplay Championship, and continued success and enjoyment on the course. Happy golfing!

**Riki Tawa**  
**Men's Golf Club Captain.**

### 9- and 18-Hole Ladies Golf Reports

At last we can say Golfing is back to normal again with the Kopu -Hikuai Road open. We have been able to connect with our friends on the other side of the Peninsula.

We had 25 players turn up on Opening Day and we continue to have a very strong 9 Hole group of Ladies and Men and even through the Winter we have had good numbers turn up on a Tuesday. As it often rained on a Tuesday we also played on a Thursday at 12.30pm. This has enabled us to join the 18 Hole Ladies and Men in the clubhouse afterwards. We will continue with this format until the end of the year.

We organised the Beaches Tournament in February. This is played between Tairua, Pauanui, Williamson and Titoki. Tairua was the winner. I guess local knowledge was in our favour.

The 9 Hole Ladies won Zone 1 in the Thames Valley Competition and then finished second after an exciting play-off in the Bay of Plenty Association Pennants. The Final played at the Te Aroha Golf Club on Monday 6 May. Nevertheless it was a great effort by our ladies who finished second. Tairua 9 Hole Ladies have not played in a Pennant Final for a very long time.

We ran a very successful 9 Hole Mixed Powerhouse Realty tournament in May with 70 players and we will have our usual Christmas Tournament 9/18 Hole Ladies on Tuesday 3 December. We continue to support the neighbouring clubs. We participated in the Dorothy McNicol, Mercury Bay, Paeroa, Pauanui, Fairview, Thames and Paeroa tournaments.

To boost numbers playing, the Tairua 18 hole ladies trialled joining the Thursday Mixed Day for their 18 hole competition this year with 1-3 ladies playing regularly on Thursdays. Despite small numbers we have managed to field teams for the Association Pennants (4th placing in Zone 1), Handicap Pennants (1st equal) and BOPTV Women's Vets competition Dorothy McNicol (5th placing). The few active players amongst us are keen to participate and enjoy the opportunities to play in competitions hosted by other clubs.

**Jan Stanley**



## **Golf Captain**

**Convener 9 hole Golf, Jan Collier 18 Hole Convenor**

### **Golf Croquet Annual Report**

This past year has seen our strongest numbers ever with follow on teams now very much the normal pattern of our club days. We still haven't topped the elusive 32 (all courts at capacity) although we have had 30 on several occasions.

We have welcomed several new members this past year. A sad reminder that some of our long standing members are no longer with us and others are unable to play. We now have 48 members, slightly down on the previous year. As well as several full playing golf members who regularly play. The golf secession is still seeing people no longer able to play golf but have joined croquet.

Croquet Christmas was a great success, as was a BBQ and twilight games held in March to thank the club volunteers who had worked on our alterations and the concrete pad. We have also hosted some big groups for their Christmas parties, birthdays etc.

Our big project this year was the completion of the concrete pad under our lean too shelter. This has been absolutely wonderful keeping the mud at bay...

Our courts are in excellent condition thanks to our volunteers who diligently attend to them.

We look forward to another year and I thank those who have given their support to Golf croquet and The Tairua Golf and Country Club.

**Michelle McLean**

**Golf Croquet Captain**



## **Annual Finance Report for the year ended 30 September 2024.**

### **Annual Report**

**Tairua Golf & Country Club Incorporated**

**For the year ended 30 September 2024**

**Prepared by Phillips & Co. Ltd.**

The Financials and Approval of the Financial Report has been sent on the 3/11/2024 to all members.

Questions relating to the annual financial statement of accounts must be submitted to the Club seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

### **Election of Officers**

| <b>POSITION</b>            | <b>NOMINEE<br/>NAME</b> | <b>PROPOSER</b> | <b>SECONDER</b> |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>MEMBER AT<br/>LARGE</b> | Steven Fang             | Jean McCann     | Jan Stanley     |

### **Patron confirmation**

### **Appointment of Auditor**

### **General Business**

Award of Life Membership