

“THE CLUBHOUSE NEWS”

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

The new five-ton digger has arrived and is now helping to improve our course. It has cleared many of the drains along 3 & 8 fairways and behind the 7th tee. It has also been very useful holding the large pine by 10 ladies' tee while rings were being cut ready for firewood splitting. The digger is housed under cover by the fire burning area. To date we have had donations of money for our digger totaling \$1 200.

Firewood sales are steady, about 4/5 loads per week. We still have trees to ring and split and to recover at the end of Tairua Heights Road. A special mention to the men who cut down these trees, cut them into rings ready for splitting and then deliver trailer loads of wood to our clients. This is a very good money earner for our Club.

Our golf carts are becoming more popular with our members and visitors. The renewal of the cart lease is coming up in Sep/Oct. We will be looking at a deal that is suitable for our members.

A group of ladies have done a great job of upgrading the gardens especially around the bowling green making this a much tidier place for campers.

The greens are in great condition after the recent coring. This will help to keep our greens in good condition as we move into winter. From now on the weather will dictate what we can achieve on the golf course. The dredgings will be very useful for our tracks and other low lying levels of our course.

Unfortunately, Doug Hayward has had to resign from the Board. In terms of the Constitution with the resignation of a Board member the vacancy can be filled as

below.

"If there is a vacancy on the Board interest in filling this position shall be called for from the membership and the vacancy may be filled by a temporary appointee to retire at the next Annual General Meeting but shall be eligible for re-election at the Annual General Meeting"

We are calling for a replacement from any member with appropriate skills and a keen desire to further the future of the Club, please phone or email Brian Fellows President on 0272380252 or email fellows@slingshot.co.nz

With five months of our season to go our Club is in a very good financial position. This has been achieved by all members and paid staff who have worked diligently week after week.



Brian Fellows
President

FROM THE CLUB

Welcome to the THIRD edition of the 2021 of the Club Newsletter.

- **Our staff** are working as follows:

John: Monday to Friday 8 - 12 am

Janine: Wednesday to Friday 12.30 pm to 4.30 pm and Saturday 10.30 - 2.30 and Sunday 8.30 to 12.30 pm.

Janine wants to hear from anyone who can volunteer outside of these hours in the golf office.

- **Golf Carts** It is great to see that members and visitors are making use of the golf carts available. Should you wish to hire a cart please book as there are only five carts. Bookings are recommended in advance.

For further information please contact the club on (07) 864 8416 or email info@tairuagolf.co.nz

- **MEMBERS PAGE on the Website** This is now active. Newsletters, Board Minutes, Results and the Constitution and By Laws are being posted here for members to read. Password is 38821.
- **Facebook:** Updates are posted from time to time on the clubs Facebook page. Please like the clubs Facebook page if you do have a Facebook account.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

FULL: Ren Difiore

GOLF CROQUET: Joep Smeele and Chris Smeele

Please make them feel welcome.

Receiving communications from the Club

Please be aware that to inform all members of competitions, events and Board meetings, all members will automatically receive emails/newsletter/flyers from the Club unless they opt out by emailing info@tairuagolf.co.nz.

Safety on the Golf Course

Please be aware that unsupervised children are:

- Driving golf carts on the golf course,
- Playing in the course bunkers,
- Collecting golf balls

While we welcome junior members, we are very concerned with keeping our local children safe.

For health & Safety reasons, Members are requested to report to the golf office (when office is open) before going out onto the course. This way staff will be aware of players on the course. Since the office is closed late afternoons, it is advisable that you inform a family member that you are going to play golf and give an approximate time you intend to be back. It is also advisable to carry a cell phone while on the course in case of emergency.



Firewood:

**Get Ready for the Winter Season
Green Firewood for Sale**

Tairua Country Club

\$120 a Ute load delivered to Tairua.

To book your order

Phone John or Janine 864 8416 Or Email info@tairuagolf.co.nz

We will invoice you. Please pay online or at the Club before
delivery

Please give us your delivery instructions when you order.

ORDER NOW

Please note

The club now has Dot Golf online bookings available through the Dot Golf App for affiliated golfers to book.

This link is also available on our Tairua Club website. <https://www.tairuagolf.co.nz/>

NEW CLUB EMAIL info@tairuagolf.co.nz

KITCHEN/CATERING REPORT

April has been a busy month in the kitchen starting with the Bay Insurance Easter Ambrose Tournament when hamburgers were served to more than 70 players and supporters making a profit for the club of \$446.00. This was followed by a visit from the Alan Rose Golf Tour group who were served lunch and bar snacks and then several very busy Saturdays when usual numbers requiring bar snacks were boosted by visitors to the club.

The committee has attempted to streamline catering processes to ensure everyone who helps in the kitchen knows the routines and is able to provide consistently tasty food at a reasonable price yet always profitable for the club. Many thanks to all the catering team. Sharing the load is working well.

We are currently working on our accounting system so that we will be able to present accurate income and expenditure data to the club. Previously for many tournaments where lunch was provided the catering portion of the tournament income was not credited to the kitchen and so we have been unable to produce reliable kitchen

accounts. Adjustments have been made to the club accounting systems and it is hoped the problem is now rectified.

Jenny Chalmers

COFFEE CLUB

Every Tuesday 10.30am.

All social, senior, golf-croquet, golfing, playing and non-playing members and their friends are welcome to come along for a coffee, a cookie, and a chat.

We operate rain or shine, so if it is a wet day any rained off golf and croquet players are able to join the group. The group is very informal, mainly ladies, but men are welcome to join in if they wish. Our weekly contribution is \$3.00 which pays for plunger coffee and profits are used to purchase items for the kitchen

If you have any queries, please phone either **Jenny Chalmers 8648369** or **Margaret Wallace 0272310384**.

Jenny Chalmers.



Te Aroha 9-Hole Competition Ladies Tairua Team
Jenny Cosford (right) won best Stableford with the rest of the team
winning raffles

Golf 2021

MEN'S GOLF CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Again, the weather has been very kind to us as we missed only two haggles due to rain although six men did brave the rain on one of them (me not being one of them).

On the 16/4 we had a visit from a tour group (AR tour) with approx 30 players taking part. Ken Edwards started them off at 08.30am although he had been here from 0700am and he was still here when I left at 0700pm. Thanks Ken a great job.

Easter Sunday, we had an Ambrose competition kindly sponsored by Gary Jameson of Bay Insurance. 30 teams took part, weather was great, and everyone seemed to enjoy the event.

On Saturday 17/04 we had our annual visit from the 16 club for the 16-club challenge. This is a competitions played Tairua v the 16 club with the best average score winning a wooden trophy in the shape of a set of golf clubs and trundle. I am pleased to tell you Tairua won!

The Digger is already starting to show benefits to the course John Fraser has been clearing out some of the drains and the water has been flowing much better.

We have organised a match committee, Ken Edwards has agreed to be vice-captain and Rick McLean has also agreed to be on the committee, Rick being very useful on the computer so will be great for setting up competitions and of course Jan Collier as Ladies 18-hole captain. Also, we have the run sheet back which will help better organise tournaments as everything will be set out, such as who will start do the cards and organise prizes.

Mike McCann
Men's Golf Captain

A reminder that Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays are mixed golf days.

Junior Golf is held on the last Sunday of each Month.

Brent Arnel won the voucher for 4 free rounds of golf at the Bay of Islands Golf Club.

LADIES GOLF CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Our golf has been affected by rain on two occasions over the month of April. 9 Hole golf has been steady, with fields of 15+ players each Tuesday. 18-hole players are struggling to get 10 players in their field. Our Tuesday numbers have been boosted by visitors and men.

The three rounds of 18-hole team pennants have been completed. Tairua ladies did not feature in the top three positions. Our 9-hole ladies still have one round of their team pennants to complete this coming Monday.

The 18-hole handicap Matchplay Championship are into the final round. Congratulations to Nat, our Silver matchplay champion for 2021. Its really exciting to see that we do have three Silver Division players for the first time for many years. The 9-hole Handicap Matchplay Championship winners have been decided for 2021. Congratulations to Annette Eltringham the 1st Division winner and runner up Jen Beare. Division 2 winner Carolin Williams and runner up Janet Taylor.

Our 9-hole ladies are hosting the final round of the BOP 9 Hole Pennants here on Monday 3 May and their Power House Realty 9 Hole tournament on Friday 7th.

Jan Collier

Ladies Golf Captain

Tairua 9 Hole Mixed Golf Tournament Sponsored by POWERHOUSE REALTY

Friday May 7

10am shotgun start
Affiliated players only
Gross, Net and Stableford
2 Ladies Divisions
1 Men's Division

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GOLF CROQUET

April 2021

Numbers are still very strong reaching the mid-twenties at times. We are currently trialing a variation game called Gate ball croquet, this is being played by those who wish to an hour earlier on a Tuesday so not to interfere with regular Tuesday play. If this proves successful, we may incorporate on our club days.

A working bee was held to tidy up the club mallets, they were all sanded down and re varnished. Thanks to Dave and Colleen for organising, and the use of their shed. We will also be re gripping some of them. Also, thanks to everyone who attended and helped.

We now have our new long awaited centre poles.

Welcome to 2 new members Joep and Chris Smeele.

As always thanks to Rick and Brian W for keeping our courts in great condition to be enjoyed by all.

Michelle Mclean
Golf croquet captain