"THE CLUBHOUSE NEWS"

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

As you know I am retiring from the position of President. I wish to thank the Board for all the work they have done. I have enjoyed working with them and all our Club Members. The Board has had many varied jobs that we have had to do to be compliant with regulations and they have willingly done these.

For this season the number of subscriptions has increased from last year from \$84,000 to \$92,000 and green fees are up from \$75,000 to \$108,000. We are now in the best financial position to complete aspects of course and club development recommended in our Strategic Plan. One project will include the renovation of one or two of our greens. We have wanted to do this type of project for many years but now it is financially viable.

The Strategic Planning group have been working on our new plan for many hours and this is still ongoing.

The major items we have purchased this financial year are:

- 1. In April we bought a five-ton digger in very good condition. This machine has accomplished many hours of work on our course mainly doing drainage and fairway improvements. The savings and benefits are enormous. We are lucky to have members with the skills to operate the machine.
- 2. A new hoist has been bought and installed in the workshop. As we do most of our maintenance on the machinery ourselves it has provided a very useful and safe piece of equipment for our Greenkeeper
- 3. Two of the old concrete tanks that leak have been replaced by a new plastic tank sited on the old Bowling Green.
- 4. We have entered into a lease agreement of 6 new Ezygo golf carts. Last summer

we had up to ten carts going out each day. These six carts plus the two carts donated by members will ensure we do not have to borrow member's carts. To make sure we can charge all carts at once we will be upgrading our main line to 100 amp and renew our meter board. This project has started.

- 5. On order is a new pump that will give a better coverage on all our greens.
- 6. We are awaiting the new rough mower which is on order. This will replace the old mower that is 30+ years old.

Members and friends have been very generous in the donations they have given to the Club. There has been \$15,900 in cash donations, two golf carts and a Ute brought to WOF standard at no cost to the Club. Many thanks to all those people.

Thank you to the organisers of the Coffee Group which started this season. It has engaged many members in a fellowship role and also contributed a generous amount of money which has been used to purchase much needed kitchen equipment.

With one greenkeeper and a part time worker we rely on volunteers to help. These volunteers are invaluable to the running of our Club.

Thank you to Geoff and Darren who have kept our course in very good condition battling all the problems of weather and Covid.

Thanks to Janine and John for the work in our Club enabling us to keep our Club open 7 days a week.

I wish to thank two members who are retiring from the Board; Jack Harrop and Jenny Chalmers. Jack for his input into the Strategic Plan and Jenny for her sterling work as the organiser of the kitchen and the Golf Croquet representative.

I congratulate the incoming President and wish the new Board all the best in the future.



Brian Fellows President

2021/2022 Board of the Tairua Golf and Country Club	
President	Ken Edwards
Men's Golf Captain	Mike McCann
Ladies Golf Captain	To be elected
Member at large	Jean McCann
Member at large	John Fraser
Member at large	Brian Fellows
Golf Croquet Representative	Michelle McLean

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@tairuaqolf.co.nz.

WELCOME TO THE TENTH AND FINAL EDITION OF THE 2021 OF THE CLUB NEWSLETTERS

The Editor Jean McCann would welcome any contributions or photographs.

Notices of Events will be emailed to members.

We wish all our members and sponsors a Merry

Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Stay Safe.



- <u>MEMBERS PAGE on the Website</u> 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.
- <u>Facebook:</u> 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.
 Please note:

CLUB EMAIL info@tairuagolf.co.nz

If you can help in anyway around the Club, front office, bar, kitchen, course and general maintenance please contact the Club and offer your help.

Many hands make light work!

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Covid 19 Precautions

All of New Zealand will move to the traffic light settings

at 11:59pm on 2 December.

We need to all follow due procedures. Please sign in!

Reminder either scan in, take a card out of the machine or sign in on the Covid 19 sheet. We can't trace you otherwise!

Please help us help you.

TGCC has introduced a by-law that any green fee players and members can play on the course providing they abide by current traffic light regulations for distanced play. To enter the golf club or office all persons must be double vaccinated and provide evidence of this by presenting a my-vaccine passport. It was agreed we will accept a hard copy of the passport if supported by a photo ID.

For the detailed official Safety and Support Information visit https://covid19.govt.nz/traffic-lights/

Services and support

Unite against

It's OK to ask for help. As we work through this together, there are people and agencies able to support you. Here's a range of advice, help, or support if you need it. If you don't speak English, you can ask for an interpreter when calling most government departments.



WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Country: Steve Caskie, Idrean Conning, Selwyn Mexted, John

Reid

First Year: Brooke Graham, Carrick Graham

Junior: Isaac Kennel

Golf Croquet: Ian Rainbow

Social: Alison Rogers

Please make them feel welcome.

\$5 FRIDAYS



Every Friday DRINKS are \$5 from 4 pm till late with raffles and good cheer.

Come and join us.



First Friday 3rd December

Casual dinner tonight due to Twilight Golf.

Join the Twilight Golfers for Hamburger barbecue at \$8.00 each.

Everyone welcome.

Be there for the Members Draw

MEMBERS DRAW FOR NOVEMBER of \$200! Winner was Rob Henderson's number came out but as he was not there December Draw is \$250

Members must be there between 5 and 7 pm in person to win the random draw. The First Friday draw has \$50.00 added per month. and jackpots up to \$500.00 when it must be drawn.



Sky TV's on Pool and darts ready to play!

COME AND JOIN US ON THIS FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.

Our Club Sponsors

Every month we highlight two of our sponsors

SURF AND SAND Takeaway



Wayne and Sarah are long-time supporters of the Tairua Golf & Country Club. Wayne is an active golfer along with his boys.

Surf and Sand Takeaways are the sponsors of the Twilight competition currently being played on Friday nights and they also sponsor the upcoming Ambrose Tournament 27 December.

Please remember to support this local family and purchase your next takeaway dinner from Surf and Sand 07 864 8617.

FOUR SQUARE



Tairua's local supermarket, supplier of all things needed for summer in Tairua.

We would like to thank the Four Square supermarket for continuing to be the Family Fun Day Golf Sponsor for the fourth year in a row supporting their local sporting community. This 2 hour family fun day caters for children from 2yrs to 18yrs, free for kids, \$5 for adults. Pop it in your diary — Monday $3^{\text{\tiny cd}}$ January 2022.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS

Please note that for all sponsors the inclusion of third party advertisements does not constitute an endorsement, guarantee, warranty, or recommendation by The Tairua Golf and Country Club and we make no representations or warranties about any product or service contained therein.

Golf Cart special for members for the months of November and December.

While we have extra golf carts with the purchase of an additional six carts and the return of the others only in January, we have the opportunity of offering a special golf cart hire deal for members.

9 Hole \$10 a round 18 Hole \$20 a round.

Book a cart online or contact the Club to book.

A reminder that a restricted licence is the minimum required to drive any cart on the course.

GOLF

MEN'S GOLF CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

This month has been much better as far as the weather goes, and we only had two Saturday's where we had no Scrambles. Unfortunately it was days when we had planned to play the stroke play champs which were postponed. We hope to still play them. The Surf and Sand Twilight Competition started this month, and it was changed from Wednesday to Friday and this change has been very successful. So far, we have had two rounds with the first round fielding 40 players and the second round 39 players. On Saturday 20th November we played The Christmas Cracker tournament. The weather was stunning and with the 24 18 holers who took part making it a really great fun day. Thanks very much to everyone who worked to make the day so enjoyable and successful. A special thanks to Jan Stanley for organising the prizes and the kitchen elves who served the ice cream and strawberries afterwards.

Mike McCann Men's Golf Captain

LADIES GOLF CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

The ladies have finished their competitions for the year. The final day last Tuesday was our prizegiving and shared lunch. As always, the ladies know how to put on a good show. Thank you, ladies, and congratulations to this year's winners. Thank you, Robyn Hunter, our major sponsor for the day and Robyn Hayward our sponsor for Fashions in the Field.

Next Tuesday we have a field of 78 ladies playing in our Ladies Christmas tournament. Ladies are travelling as far afield as Ohope and Omokoroa. Special thanks to Santa Arthur and elf Alan who will be visiting the course on Tuesday. All we need is the weather gods to be on our side.

The overnight visit to **Omokoroa** attended by 16 of our ladies was very successful. What's that saying, 'What happens when you are away, does not come home with you'. A couple of us took three days to return in our campers. The ladies are looking forward to 2022. Our keen bunch of 9 holers are already planning.

The Melbourne Cup, another very successful event run by the ladies. A lot of work goes into these events by the ladies and do need recognition from time to time.

The Christmas Cracker Tournament was another successful day thanks to the ladies. Special thanks to Jan Stanley and her helpers who are furnishing the prize table for our members day's and tournament.

A very special thank you to the ladies who teamed up this year and spent endless hours in the kitchen. I would like to thank all of our ladies for playing golf on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays and in tournaments. We are always well represented. I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Lots of golfing over the break ladies.

Jan Collier / Jan Stanley Ladies Golf



Congratulations John Fraser Hole in One on the 12th.

Christmas Cracker Tournament Results 20 November

18 Hole

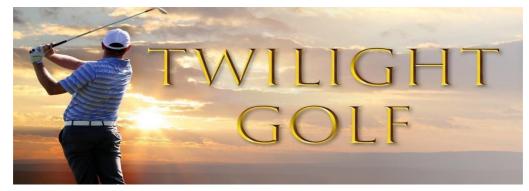
1st Men's and Ladies and winners of the Latham Cup
Ray Russell and Robyn Hunter

2nd Bruce Crawford, 3rd Rick Tawa, 4th John Fraser.

9 HOLE RESULTS

1. Jan Stanley 22, 2. Brett Chalmers 21, 3. Sue Poland 21,4. Annette Eltringham 20, 5. Sayde Muntz 20

TAIRUA GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB



9 HOLE - STABLEFORD COMPETITION SPONSORED BY



Starts Friday 12 November 2021
Dates to be played: 12, 19, 26 November and 3, 10, 17 December

TWILIGHT FINAL FRIDAY 17 DECEMBER 2021 Prize for player with best 4 out 6

TEE OFF TIMES BETWEEN 3:30PM – 5:30PM Light meals available.

Entry Fee: \$6 members and \$10 visitors
Players must have official NZ Golf handicap.

\$5 Fridays from 4pm onwards



TAIRUA OPEN CHRISTMAS TOURNAMENT Saturday 11 December 2021

9.30 - 11.30 am Tee off times

18 Holes: Gross, Net, Stableford Men's and Ladies Divisions

Nearest the Pin: 4th Men and 12th Ladies

\$30 Visitors \$20 Members

Raffles, Lunch available, Cold Refreshments
To register, contact the office on 07 864 8416
or email info@tairuagolf.co.nz

BANK PAYMENT: 03 0458 0211854 00 Ref: Xmas Open

TAIRUA GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB CHRISTMAS AMBROSE TOURNAMENT

MONDAY 27 DECEMBER 2021

Sponsored by Surf n Sand Takeaways



18 Hole 3 Person Ambrose
Players must have a handicap
Entry Fee \$25 per person
From 9:30am - 11:00am

ENTRIES TO:

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PRIZEGIVING 2021

9 HOLE LADIES AND MEN AND 18 HOLE LADIES

9 HOLE

Annette Eltringham



Stroke Play and Match Play Div 1; The trophy table Dey Family Shootout



Arthur Larsen



Larsen Cup Men's Stableford

Dave Wallace



Larsen Cup Men's Nett

Pat Gilberd, Bronwyn Bovelander



Plate

18 Hole

Jan Collier



Esther Holden Trophy Stroke Play Bronze 3 Captain's Trophy Wyatt Shootout Cup Robyn Hunter



Hilda Saunders Putting Trophy Bronze 2 Harris Trophy Match Play Mike Trott Trophy

Robyn Hayward



Latham and Cameron Cups; Stroke Play Bronze 1 Rhys Evans

Jo Feasey



Match Play Bronze 3

HUNTERS
MELBOURNE CUP DAY

Melbourne Cup Day @ Tairua Tuesday, 2 November 2021

The Field





The Prize table





People's choice of Best Dress Punter

Ladies Golf Trip to Omokoroa





Birthday Girl Val Bradley





Golf at Waihi



TAIRUA LADIES GOLF

CHRISTMAS TOURNAMENT Tuesday 30th November



Prize Table



9 Hole 1st Division winners



18 Hole winners



9 Hole 2nd Division winners





Santa came to play!

KITCHEN/CATERING REPORT

As we have come to the AGM and the end of my time as kitchen co-ordinator it is timely to report on the achievements of the kitchen team during my period as leader. This group of more than 35 volunteers has given their time to cater for more than 170 large and small events during the 18 months I have been convenor. I wish to thank everyone who has prepared and served toasted sandwiches, morning teas, lunches for visiting groups, snacks for golfers, themed dinners, fries for scrambles, burgers and barbecues for Twilight and Business House golf, and of course the tournament banquets of baked ham, salads and desserts for vets and ladies from around the region. Not to mention the mountains of dishes cleared, scraped, washed, and put away after each event.

I must especially thank the team leaders Shirley Fellows, Robyn Hunter and Margaret Wallace for their support, energy and ideas and Tina Larsen for the guidance she gave me at the beginning.

I believe the success of the kitchen has not only been in the satisfying of appetites, but also in the financial return the kitchen has achieved. In the last financial year the gross kitchen income was \$12,414.00 with expenses of \$5,533.00 producing a nett income of \$6,880.00. On top of that the funds raised by the coffee club have allowed us to purchase additional items of kitchen equipment such as new roasting dishes, dessert bowls sufficient for 100 people, additional serving utensils, dish cloths, napkins etc.

I am sorry I have not been able to find someone willing to take over the co-ordinator's role and so I leave it to the new Board to find a different way to organise Club catering from December 1st onwards.

Jenny Chalmers.

Kitchen Convenor

Coffee Club

This group which meets on Tuesdays at 10.00 am comprised of ten or twelve ladies (mostly retired golfers) who attend regularly, as well as current golfers who attend when the weather is inclement, and play is rained off. It is a chance for a chat over coffee and a snack, but we also raise money for purchases for the club kitchen and provide support to the catering team. Many thanks to everyone who has volunteered to assist with the Christmas Tournament catering on November 30th.

This month our thanks go to Tina Larsen who has just made and donated 6 brand new red aprons for the club. They will be added to those she made previously. Unfortunately some of the earlier batch have gone missing and we think they may be

hiding in the bottom of someone's ironing basket. Please have a look and return them if you can.

Our group will continue meeting on Tuesdays until December 14th. On the last day we will celebrate the season with Christmas mince pies and some Christmas spirit. Do come and join us.



Jenny Chalmers.

GOLF CROQUET

Despite covid restrictions, this year our numbers playing have reached record numbers with follow on teams now normal rather than the exception. That means more than 16 players each club day.

This year we have purchased some new balls and centre posts which were well needed. We also spent some time sanding, varnishing and re gripping some of the club mallets. Our courts are in excellent condition (the best ever, I am told) thanks to our volunteers who diligently attend to them.

Croquet Christmas was a huge success last year and is shaping up to be equally as popular this coming Christmas. We have also had more social events this year including twilight croquet with a BBQ and a soup luncheon during the winter.

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 and Jenny Chalmers.

