

TOTARADALE GOLF CLUB

Wakefield, Nelson

March 2024 Newsletter



President's Report

Firstly, a big thankyou to Mike Hrynkiw for holding the fort while I was away in Japan.

Mike, Pat Hrynkiw (Ladies Captain) and John Barnett (Mid-Week Captain) have kept your golfing running smoothly, and with the help of the many volunteers have had the clubhouse humming.

Ian Rowling has taken over the role as Greenkeeper from Allan and I am sure you will all agree the course is in fantastic shape. Ian was previously working as part of the Greenkeeping team at Motueka and brings a lot of experience to Totaradale.

It was disappointing to find upon my return that our newest Staff member Stacey did not wish to continue at Totaradale. I would like to thank her for filling in so admirably over my absence and wish her well for the future.

We will be advertising for a Clubhouse Administrator, but in the meantime please be patient as once again we will have volunteers manning the clubhouse along with other duties.

Our subs are due on the 31 March, please feel free to pay on line. The Invoices will be sent out in the next week, time permitting. If you cant wait to get you bill, please email the Club totaradalegc@gmail.com and we can give you the figure owed.
Happy golfing Jean

Men's Captain Report

Opening day has been and gone, cogratulations to the winners Anna O'Toole & John Cullen.

The Woodham Cup has started with the 1st round on the 24th February. Congratulations to winners so far. The 1st round of the Burnett Cup [men's individual match play] started on the 2nd of March., good luck to you all.

The Sloan Trophy has started with the team having 2 wins so far. Ross



NZMCA Golf Safari

On Tuesday 27th February, Totaradale hosted over 40 golfers, motor-homes and caravans for dinner followed by a Stableford round of golf on the Wednesday morning.

Bill Filmer and John Barnett took on the very important roles of Traffic Control and organised the parking, a big thanks to you both.

Tuesday nights dinner and presentation followed their round at Fairhall that day. Fran and Sue did a fantastic job in the kitchen and Bill Vercoe and Jean kept our guests lubricated from the bar.

These guys made a real hoot of their presentation and after dinner entertainment, all well organised by Karen & Garth Taylor.

The ladies took the spoils when it came to the golf with Susan Gleeson [Opotiki] 45pts and Val Butler [Otumoetai] 44pts, pretty good scoring on a course you have never played before and credit to our greenkeeper Ian for a well prepared course, and also all the volunteers who helped to make this a successful event.

Midweek Captain's Report

Hi everybody, another month has passed and still enjoying good weather. On Tuesday 13th, we had our opening day mixed American Foursomes, a reasonable turnout with Kaye Tamarua & Bill Beaumont winning with a nett 65, runner up Sue Rawson & Greg Mann.

Had our 1st monthly medal, with Greg Mann taking 1st spot net 68 and Denis Hall 2nd with a 69.

Coming events are:
Friend Trophy match play starting 5th March.

Old Hickory being played at Takaka 7th Mar

Totaradale Mixed Vets 14th Mar

Sloan team are doing well 2 wins from 2 next round is at Tasman against Nelson

Happy golfing JB





18 Hole Ladies captain's Report

Beautiful weather set the scene for our Swinging Stripes Tournament on the 22nd February. Twelve teams competed for this modified Stableford competition with 'Mot Zebras' taking the honours and our own 'Totaradale Road Cones' runners up. The best dressed team were Greenacres 'Mad as a Gas Car', and the Nelson ladies won the quiz.

Positive comments from visiting teams relating to the convivial atmosphere, the clubhouse refreshments and décor, the condition of the course and the format itself were a welcome accolade. Thanks again to all our ladies who contributed their time and raffle prizes.

Our Westrupp team had a great start to this year's competition taking 5 points from Nelson; Fran and Willy had wins in their afternoon rounds and Nichola had a half. This was no mean feat considering all the opponents were on considerably lower handicaps and the matches are played off the stick. Well done to all the whole team including Adrienne, Jean, and Yvonne.



9 Hole Ladies Captain's Report

We have finished playing our summer competitions and since opening day we have started our regular competitions again. We are working towards our tournament which is on Friday the 15th of March. Due to the number of entries, the course will be closed between 9:45 AM and 1:00 PM that day.

Diane Blackburn, Marion McNicoll, and Judy Beaumont have decided to no longer play golf, so we would like to thank them for all they have done for the club and wish them all the best for the future. Welcome back to Robyn Bolitho who is joining us again this year.

Helene Billington.

Rules Corner

What's a concession? Concessions are in Match Play - A player may concede the opponent's next stroke, a hole or the match.

Conceding Next Stroke - this is allowed any time before the opponent's next stroke.

Conceding a Hole - this is allowed any time before the hole is completed, including before the players start the hole.

Conceding the Match - this is allowed any time before the result of the match is decided, including before the players even start the match.

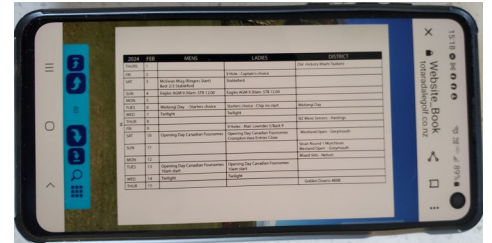
Any concession is final and cannot be declined or withdrawn.



Online Programme Book

Most members will already have picked up the 2024 programme book. These are prepared with the information at our disposal when preparing them, they are a guide only and changes will occur beyond our control.

We have also added an online copy on to the website which is ideal for viewing



on your phone. You can turn pages by using the arrows and there's even a search button if you want to find a particular competition or trophy winner. To view the online copy go to the club website www.totaradalegolf.co.nz

Click on Menu>Members>Programme>2024



Course Convenor's Report

The summer has been a difficult period for keeping the course in a good condition. Thanks to Allan James who kept the fertiliser programme up to date and the benefit of a full dam, the greens have survived really well. Also a regular verticut on greens has helped a great amount.

Ian Rowling has taken over the green-keeping with enthusiasm and his knowledge in the role has seen an improvement in the grass cover on the greens through the continued fertiliser programme. Ian is also improving the maintenance of the equipment along with some smaller equipment purchases, we should see improvement of the course over a short to medium term.

The Monday volunteer workers are presently trimming and mulching trees around the course. The equipment sheds and greenkeepers office has been cleaned and tidied.

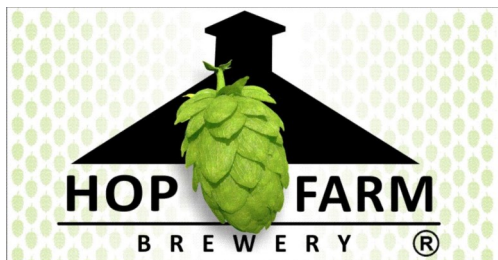
Thank you to Brian Wislang and John Barnett for turning up each Monday your help is really appreciated by Ian and myself.

There is a lot of work for volunteers to do every week around the course, if you have a spare few hours on a Monday or in fact any day let me know and I will find a job for you.

Just a note to all of us playing the course, please repair pitch marks on greens and REPLACE DIVOTS do not just fill the holes with sand! Replace divot then put sand on top to keep it in place.

Thank you and good golfing to you all.

Bill F



2024 Timbertown Championship

This year we had 13 teams competing for the Timbertown Championship. A glorious day produced some excellent scores at the event and of course some not so good. Most impressive were two par rounds from Rowan Dron and Chris Rae, with the latter contributing to the team win of the 2024 Timbertown Championship, congratulations to you all.



Winners : E.Netto/J.Rae/W.Rae/C.Rae
R/up: C.Cartwright/D.Cartwright/
S.Cosmatos/R.Dron
Third: A.Wislang/R.Griffiths/B.Vercoe/
L.Bruning



Petrol Cart for Sale

The club's petrol cart has been listed on TradeMe - [Click here](#)

We will be replacing it with another battery cart which will mean there will be no room for storing the petrol one should a member purchase it.

If any member is interested contact Mike to discuss 0210618066

UP & COMING DATES TO REMEMBER



Weds 6th Mar - Last Team Twilight

Weds 13th Mar - Twilight Prize Giving

Thurs 14th Mar - Mixed Vets

Sat 23rd Mar - Hillerby & Hart 4somes

Sun 24th Mar - Regan Tasker Ambrose

STILL ROOM FOR ENTRIES

Fri 29th Mar - Course Closed from 1.00

Sat & Sun 30/31st - EASTER OPEN

PLEASE GET YOUR EASTER ENTRIES IN EARLY IF YOU ARE WANTING AFTERNOON TEE-TIMES

WAKEFIELD AUTO SERVICES



Our Club's Mission Statement

The Mission of Totoradale 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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