

TOTARADALE GOLF CLUB

Newsletter March 2023

President's Report

February has been a terrific summer month for getting out and playing golf. With long daylight hours many people have chosen to come and play on our course which is reflected in our green fees income.

I'd like to give a special mention to another set of volunteers who give up heaps of their time on a weekly basis throughout the year to ensure our club competitions run smoothly for all of us. This big thank you is for all our club captains for their 'eat, sleep and drink' attitude, enthusiasm and organization put into our golf programme. It is not an easy task keeping us all in line!

Our appreciation goes to the following people and their sub committees; Steve Cox 'Coxy' has been at the helm for a while now and is doing a fantastic job, Ladies club captain, Moira Gibb; Mens Captain, Murray Newport; Mid week men captain, Ron Hay; and 9 hole ladies, Helene Billington.

The new programme book is available, you can pick one up with the payment of your subs due by 1 April. Your invoice for the subs has been emailed to you now. A new key will be issued for the new trundler shed lock on the 1st April also.

The 9 hole ladies have kindly offered a donation towards a wash down area out side the trundler shed. The committee will pick up this project and do some research and costing of this. Thank you to all the 9 holers who have contributed towards this.

Happy golfing, remember to put Easter tournament into your golfing calendar
Cheers Gordy

Course Convenor Report

New tee box no 12 is doing well & will be ready for the Easter tournament Thanks too the help from our Monday volunteers we have renovated some par 3 tee boxes that have taken a hammering over the last year. Still more to be done but our surrounds mower is out of action at the moment due to a blown seal.

I've had some issues with the irrigation control bank but one of the WaterForce guys is coming out today to reset the system.

Keith from BMTT has found an older type feet spreader that I believe would quite easily be converted to a sand spreader.

John Mehrtens has offered to do the necessary conversion if we were to purchase. John has offered to go and look at it and perhaps negotiate a better price.

I think our course is in great condition and preparation is underway to have it even better for our Easter tournament.

Allan James

EASTER RAFFLE

Looking for donations to make up baskets for our Easter Tournament. If you have anything big or small these donations would be readily received. Please see Jo and Sue of where to put them. Thank you. :)







Club Captain / Saturday Men's Report

New Programme books are out.

January – the men contested the summer stroke play with 4 rounds of both gross & nett, congratulations to the winners.

February – the men have been competing for the McEwan mug and started the first round of the Woodham cup handicapped match play, with some great battles taking place in round 1 may the high standards continue. Sloan trophy team have got off to a flyer 2 from 2, well done Eric & the team

A big thanks to AJ and the volunteers for putting in a huge effort over the last few months since John's departure keeping Totaradale in great condition.

Murray

Secretary

As set out in the Tasman Golf constitution, Tasman Golf Board Members must stand down at the conclusion of their two-year term. These Board members may put themselves forward for re-election for further terms up to a maximum of three, two-year terms. There will be three Board positions available on the Tasman Golf Board commencing at the 2023 Annual General Meeting.

Current Board Member Tony Watkins (Male Member for the Nelson Region) is required to be nominated for reelection.

Jane Ingram (Female Member for the Marlborough Region) has reached the end of her maximum of six years, and therefore, will be retiring from the Board.

Mark Le Compte (Male Member for the Marlborough Region) was co-opted onto the Tasman Golf Board to fill a vacancy and is required to be nominated for election.

Please see Jo in the office for the nomination form if you are interested in voting.

Please note that nominations close at 5:00pm on Friday 31 March 2023.

Committee chatter

Lots going on behind the scenes and on the course last month – you will have all seen the wonderful-looking 12th tee block and all wanting to push your tee pegs into the virgin turf.

The committee has authorised the purchase of a refrigerated cabinet for sandwiches, cakes and slices. It will sit on the bench next to the hot cabinet replacing the non-refrigerated unit. New rubbish bins will also soon appear in front of the bar.

Thanks to Allan's APB, good numbers have shown interest in the She Loves Golf and Futures sessions. It's not too late to sign up a family member, friend or neighbor – see Jo.

Elsewhere in this newsletter you'll see the notice re Nelson male representative on the Tasman Golf Board. Any male golfer who has a penchant for golf governance, grab a form from Jo and get yourself nominated and inject some new blood into the organisation.

Two new members this month. Please welcome:

Morgan Grant as a full 18-hole member and Helen MacDonald as a full 18-hole member (formerly a 9-holer at Greenacres);

Sloan Trophy: Totaradale's 6-man team of Mark Topia & Chris Rae (senior); Craig Robertson & Eric Bradley (intermediate); Paul Hurst & Allan James (junior) has made a great start to the season. On Feb 12 they took on Takaka at Murchison and won 6½ points to 1½. On 26 Feb they defeated Nelson 7½ to 1½ at Golden Downs. Points are allocated 1 for a win, ½ for a half (all square) and then 3 points are added to the winning team's total. So, at Golden Downs the team had 4 wins, 1 half and 1 loss.

On behalf of the team, I thank Eric (Sloan convenor) for his captaincy and those team members who have supplied the transport – and accommodated my forgetfulness.

Paul Hurst









Dear Tasman Clubs,

As many of you are aware, Golf New Zealand and Tasman Golf entered into a strateg of the partnership is to see the two organisations working collaboratively together to the partnership is a powerful opportunity to grow the profile of golf, increase participation and support clubs and facilities.

As part of the partnership, local roles are put in place to help grow the love of the game. At the end of last year, two new roles were put in place. We are writing to let you know we are now in the market for a Golf and Club Support Manager and encourage you to share this opportunity with your networks. More details on the role can be found here: https://www.seek.co.nz/job/61850571

This role comes about due to Nathan Smith finishing up his role as Tasman Golf Coordinator last Friday. On behalf of Golf New Zealand and Tasman Golf, we sincerely thank him for his contribution to golf in the region. Nathan has shown a passion for his work and the game that will no doubt see him continue to be involved as a player and volunteer. We wish him all the best.

This gives us an opportunity to review the staff roles that support Tasman Golf. Part of this consideration is the sterling work that Eve Clarke has been doing in the region. While Eve's role is focused on participation and growing golf at the grassroots level, Eve's skill set has also seen her involved in other parts of the business. We are also mindful that we need to provide more focus on supporting clubs in the region and helping them with their operations.

It is important that we continue to evolve the workforce requirements so that we provide the best possible service to clubs and golf participants in the region. We welcome feedback from clubs on any and all matters, so please do feel free to be in touch if you have any queries.

Best regards,

Richard Hudson | **Golf New Zealand** Regional Support Manager Ph. (03) 341-1140 | M. 027 700-1263

9 Hole Ladies

A very BIG Thankyou to the 9 Hole ladies for their very generous donation toward a wash bay.



Alan Lowndes summer trophy. The winner was Rae Hanford, so ons. Also, our open tournament is on the 10th of March, and we are



MID-WEEK MEN'S REPORT

Not much to report attendances are a bit down but now we get into the serious part of the programme, the Marshall Trophy (handicap match play) starts on the 28th. Also we managed to retain the Hickory club.

Some of us are getting more familiar with Dot Golf etc so that by the mid year we should enough people to cover for any absences etc It is very hot on some days so keep the sun screen on and drink plenty of water going round the course. Well that's it from me, see you on the course.

Ron Hay 18 HOLE LADIES REPORT



olate ice cream tubs and a cone, were "The Lickables"!!

I-run "50 Shades of Orange"

A lot of work was put into it: the quiz questions and printing and putting them out on the course: the scoring system with its extra paperwork and calculations afterwards: as well as the usual notices, organizing prizes, room decorations, etc. Well done. Totaradale!

decorations, etc. Well done, Totaradale!
Your course was looking good, the weather was good (just a wee shower to cool us off), your café food was good (yummy salads a hit), all was good, so thank you.

Look forward to next year's (wonder what colour you'll choose), and now know to have a team "outfit", hmmmm.... Regards

Lindsay

Lindsay Twiname Women's Secretary, Nelson Golf Club

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18 HOLE LADIES ... continued

Cooling Fans

Two pedestal cooling fans have been purchased by the Ladies Committee and placed in the Club Rooms for everybody's comfort on these warm, humid days. (It's not just the "hot" ladies who need cooling off, some of you guys are enjoying them too)!!

Westrupp Cup

The first round of the Westrupp Cup was played against Nelson on Sunday. The team of Adrianne, Fran, Yvonne, Jean, Pat and Willie (plus caddies) acquitted themselves well. Thank you ladies. (Apparently Mrs Westrupp (Westrupp Jewellers Motueka) went into the shop and took a trophy which she then donated for this competition. She is, now, well into her nineties!)

Duty Rosters

The Tuesday and Saturday Duty Rosters are now on the Totaradale Website and can be found under Members, and then Draw & Results. Very useful.

Moi

Ladies Club Captain

FUTURES & SHE LOVES GOLF



A couple of initiatives from Golf NZ, Futures, kids coaching programme and She loves Golf for who ever would like to join.

We are looking for some volunteers for the Futures programme, if you have any time to spare for this , that would be great. Please let Jo know. For both of these, register through the QR code or ring Eve Clarke . There has been a lot of interest so if you know of anyone wanting to learn be in quick . Both great programmes.

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SHE LOVES GOLF

Friday evening is Ladies evening! Contact Eve Clarke:-Mob: 027 269 1669

Email: eve.clarke@golfnz.org

THANK YOU

Thank you Fran for your generous donation of your golf bag to the club. This will be well utilized in the hiring of clubs department.

Big thank you to the 18 hole ladies for donating the two new fans for the club house, they are very welcomed and utilized. Thank you ladies.

CONGRATULATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS TO COXY FOR THE HOLE IN ONE ON WEDNESDAY 22ND FEB. EVERYONE APPRECIATED IT.

Lemons and Limes needed

If any one has spare lemons or limes they would be very much appreciated. Thanks much.







Rules Corner

Opening day has been and gone and we are all getting into the programmed competitions, so let us just remind ourselves about Pace of Play and Unreasonable Delay of Play. Rule 5.6a states:-

A player must not unreasonably delay play, either when playing a hole or between two holes. A player may be allowed a short delay for certain reasons, such as:

When the player seeks help from a referee or the Committee,

When the player becomes injured or ill, or

When there is another good reason. e.g. hit by a ball, wheel falling off a trundler, wasp sting.

There is nothing in the Rules that permits any time to look for a ball that **you know is out of bounds**. You are allowed 3 minutes to search for your ball in play. If you cannot find your ball within 3 minutes, then it is lost. There is a substantial difference between seeing your ball 10 metres out of bounds and nipping over a fence to grab it and your group wading through the gorse along #3 with no real idea where your ball is. This would be unreasonable delay of play as the group following you would agree.

The ball you hit out of bounds maybe fairly new and precious to you and you therefore want to retrieve it. After your round you are permitted to search for your ball for as long as you like.......just something to think about. Delay of Play goes hand in hand with Pace of Play and Rule 5.6b states: -

A round of golf is meant to be played at a **prompt pace**. Each player should recognize that their pace of play is likely to affect how long it will take other players to play their rounds, including both those in the player's own group and those in following groups. Players are encouraged to allow faster groups to play through.

(1) Pace of Play Recommendations. The player should play at a prompt pace throughout the round, including the time taken to:

Prepare for and make each stroke,

Move from one place to another between strokes, and

Move to the next teeing area after completing a hole.

It is recommended that the player make the stroke in no more than **40 seconds** after they are (or should be) able to play without interference or distraction, and the player should usually be able to **play more quickly** than that and is encouraged to do so.

How to tell that you or your group are dragging the chain: -

During your round you should monitor where the group in front of you is. Have you lost a fairway or even more? Where is the group following you? still waiting on the tee for your group to move along? Be aware of your place in the field!!

Your group finishes its round 30 or 40 minutes after the rest of the field has been in the clubhouse a while. If you notice that you just happen to be in this late group every week then maybe it's time consider is it you dragging the chain.

For those of you who would like to know more about the Rules of Golf there will be a Level 2 Rules of Golf Seminar held at Nelson Golf Club late April. If you are interested please contact Mike Hrynkiw 0210618066





Other News from around the region:-

Please keep an eye on the boards for other clubs happenings.

There is a lot going on in our golfing region and perhaps you as an individual or a group you would like to step out side the comfort zone to join them in their Competitions, tournaments etc.. Engaging with other clubs is always a great way to network and put Totaradale in the lime light.

EAGLES' AGM

It was lovely being able to meet and host the Eagles on Sunday 5th Feb, for their AGM and understand what and how they work. What an amazing bunch of people. It was a bit rainy on the day, some braved the weather and went out for a bit of a hit around, by the sounds of joy and laughter much fun was had.

Thank you Eagles for the work that you do in the Nelson/Marlborough region.

To Totaradale Golf Club

On behalf of the Nelson/Marlborough Eagles, I would like to thank you for the use of your clubhouse so we could hold our Annual General Meeting. We were very well looked after, both before and after meeting and golf, with refreshments which was very well appreciated by our by our society members whom attended. Again many thanks and we look forward to our next visit to your club. Regards

Brent Baker— Secretary Eagles Golfing Society of Nelson/Marlborough 0211432347





UP AND COMING DATES TO REMEMBER.....

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE SNIPPETS

Please see Jo to update your information in our systems.

Could members please remember to report ALL accidents on the course or clubhouse.

Coming up in March 2023

Wed 1st -Twilight

Wed 8th -Twilight last Competition

Fri 10th - 9 Hole Ladies Open Tournament

Wed 15th - Twilight Social Prize Giving

Thurs - 16th Mixed Vets

CLUB CONTACT DETAILS

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OUR CLUB'S MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of Totaradale 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 o and affordable place to play golf and socialize.

The Golf Course is always our main priority. We are aware that Golf can be a dangerous game and thus have taker aware of specific danger zones which are well sign posted on our 9 hole Golf Course.







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