



TOTARADALE GOLF CLUB

Newsletter August 2023

President's Report:

Hello Members

It's good to see the course is drying out and playing conditions are good pre club champs. Congratulations to Bill Vercoe for his hole in one a few weeks ago! It was great to see the clubhouse humming as members stayed on for the drinks shout. A big thanks to those who helped out on the day at the bar & cleaning up afterwards as Sue was not working on that day. Mel is out of action for a few weeks recovering from a hand operation so any help is appreciated.

You will have noticed the pipes have been replaced on the septic system at the back of the clubhouse and at the same time a bigger outlet was installed for the drain between the practice putting green & the septic tank area. The grass will be replaced in due course.

The next project being undertaken this week is the covered back porch area. The rotting upright supports & barge boards are being replaced as well as the broken clearlite roofing. The new clearlite is being supplied by Freeman's roofing at a discounted rate through Allan's contact. Many thanks to the 9 hole ladies who offered to transfer their donation from the washdown area to this more pressing maintenance. The washdown area will happen down the track but to construct one properly is a more complex project than initially anticipated.

New upcoming Event; Family Golf Day Sunday 27th August 9.30am -12.30pm

We'd love to see family teams made up of kids with parents, grandies or aunts & uncles in 2-4 player teams come out for a social Ambrose fun round of golf. The morning will be run by Tasman Golf with gear provided for the young players. Food & drinks available. Let's spread the word & encourage your network of friends to join in the family fun day initiative that has proved popular in other areas. Look for the posters around the clubhouse for details on how to enter.

Good luck to those participating in our club champs

Cheers Gordy

Saturday Men's report :

July has seen us complete the stroke play and qualifying for club champs, first round of club champs will be 12th August. Good luck to all of those competing this year.

Congratulations to Mark Topia winner stroke play gross and Brian Biggs winner stroke play nett.

Sloan team are going great guns with a couple of rounds left to go we are down to a 2 horse race with Golden Downs.

Good golf Murray



Hall Cup Winners

Jean Nichol
Robin Frengley
Ross Dalley
John Barnett



NBS Team Tournament Winners

Raylene Bowler
Brian Biggs
Peter Bowler
Robin Frengley



From the Secretary:

During August a Cancer Society Nelson donation box will be in the clubhouse for members to contribute to this worthy appeal.

Golfers can also register for the Society's annual golf tournament on Thursday 31st August at Tasman GC and enjoy a Devonshire Tea served by the friendly Cancer Society Nelson Tasman staff and volunteers as a farewell fundraiser for Daffodil Day 2023. Register before 11.30am. Shotgun tee off at 12.00 noon sharp.



Price and details: \$400 per team of four incl. sponsorship of a .hole. \$300 per team of four. \$75 per individual entry. This includes green fees for 18 holes, High Tea and prizes at the clubhouse at 4.30pm. PLUS a BBQ and refreshments will be available on-course. Please complete a team form and register before Friday 25th August at: www.cancernelson.org.nz/golf

Congratulations to Bill Vercoe who had a hole-in-one on the 15th on 22 July. Thanks to Mark Topia who was on hand to record the event. Incidentally, another famous NZ golfer aced a 15th hole recently. Steven Alker did so during the 3rd round of the Senior Open at Royal Porthcawl, South Wales.

The minutes of the Tasman Golf Board meeting held on the 24th July are in the clubhouse minutes folder so members can keep abreast of developments in the region. Three matters caught my attention: First, as with all incorporated societies (including Totaradale GC), Tasman Golf must review its constitution. Sport NZ resources will be available from October. The Act comes into force in October 2023 with a transition period from 5 October until 5 April 2026. Second, Tasman Golf will not be sending a senior women's team to both the 2023 South Island and NZ Interprovincials due to their inability to put together a competitive team. Third, Simon Winter, Club Support Manager, has visited 21 golf clubs throughout the region. The Tasman region goes from Whataroa, Sth Westland to Kaikoura.

Please welcome Keith Haddy as a new member. Keith was away when I contacted him late last month, so may not have been at the club yet. I myself have not played at Totaradale since the 15th June due to injury. So I'm somewhat out of the loop with club days.



Course Convenor's report:

Hopefully this cold snap is going to be short lived, everything was just drying out nicely. You will notice Bill Filmer one of our energetic volunteers has been busy mulching around the new planting's adjacent to number three. Well done Bill. The mulch was supplied by our man Blair Tilly from Tasman Pine. Thanks Blair. You will also notice we have made a start on root pruning. This will be done in various areas where roots are surfacing and sucking the life out of greens and fairways. This is relatively easy done with the small digger we dry hire but a lot of hard graft to repair the mess and god help the machine operator if he strikes water. If any of you would like to help with the restoration work please let me know.

I've had lots of not so flattering comments about our greens but you can't make an omelette without breaking eggs. One of the reasons they look so bad is I've just sprayed for moss after the very wet season it's flourishing. We will be starting on spring renovations ASAP starting with verti draining then sanding along with fertilizer.

That's it for another month, enjoy your golf.

Regards Allan

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Mid-week Men's report:

Hi,

The final of the Richard Jack was won by B Filmer / P Thomson over R Frengley/ P Logan and the flight was won by E Netto / P Bowler over B Vercoe / S Cosmatos.

The Hickory was won by Totaradale which was played at home. The Mid-week club Champs. which starts on the 15th August, entries close on the 8th of August. The number of players on Tuesday is holding steady as we experience good weather and the programme is back on track.

Well that's all from me see you on the course

Ron

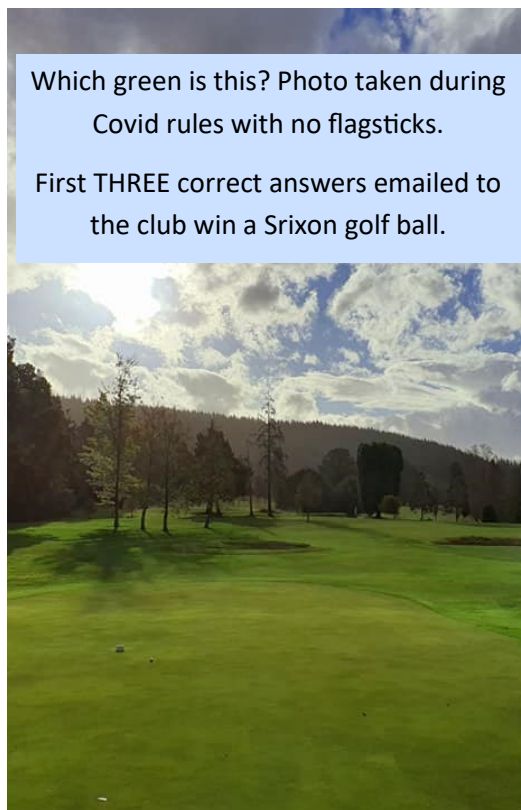
Rules Corner

We are now well into the golfing programme and all sections about to start their Club Champs matches. So perhaps now would be a good time to remind ourselves of some basic Rules of match play:-

- The honour/order of play on the first hole is decided by the draw. Only if there is no draw do players toss a coin.
- Players do not need to announce what ball they are playing with nor if they change their ball [when the Rules permit]
- If an opponent plays from outside the teeing ground or from a wrong tee, it is the player's choice to immediately cancel the opponent's stroke or not. If the player cancels the stroke it is still the opponent's turn to tee off. A cancelled stroke cannot be retracted.
- If an opponent tees off or plays a stroke when it was the player's turn to play – the player may cancel the stroke [must be done before either play another stroke] or not. A cancelled stroke cannot be retracted.
- If an opponent inadvertently incurs any penalty for a breach of the Rules and he/she is not aware, the player may apply the penalty or choose to disregard it.
- Before conceding a stroke or hole a player can double check with the opponent how many strokes they have played. Remember an opponent must give the correct number of strokes taken before the player makes another stroke or takes similar action [such as a concession] or they lose the hole unless corrected in time.
- A concession of a stroke or hole once given or implied may not be retracted.
- Players must decide the result of a hole before either tee off the next hole. If unable to agree on the result of a hole, either player needs to state they are making a ruling request and state the facts upon which the ruling is to be based. Players must continue the match until somebody is available to give a ruling. If in doubt who now has the honour – toss a coin.

Which green is this? Photo taken during Covid rules with no flagsticks.

First THREE correct answers emailed to the club win a Srixon golf ball.



**Which green is this? Last month's answer was #4 and only two correct answers Peter Bowler & Kay Ford.
See if you can work out this month's 'Which green is this'**



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UP AND COMING DATES TO REMEMBER.....

Coming up in August 2023

- 12-13th August Rarangi 36 Hole Open (Tier 1 event)
- 13th August -Hore Rosebowl Mixed Best Ball Stableford
- 19-20 August Total Golf Open (Motueka & Nelson; Tier 1 event)
- 27th August - Family Golf Day Sunday 9.30am -12.30pm
- 27th August - Robinson Trophy Mixed American Foursomes Tee-Time TBA

NOTE: Saturday Tee-time change to 11.00am



MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE SNIPPETS

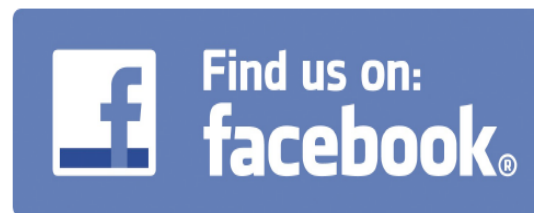
- To update your information in our systems please talk to club house staff.
- Could members please remember to report ALL accidents on the course or clubhouse.

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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 our Club an enjoyable 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 taken steps to make players aware of specific danger zones which are well sign posted on our 9 hole Golf Course.

