



TOTARADALE GOLF CLUB

NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2017

PRESIDENT REPORT - Many of you may have seen there has be a couple of bright faces with pleasant welcoming personalities within the clubhouse. If you haven't already meet Paula and Amber please make yourself known to them and offering them a helping hand to make their transition into a new work environment would be appreciated.

Many thanks to Jackie for showing them the in's and out's of the job over the next few weeks. I'm are sure your inspiring nature will help them learn. Although I'm sure they will bring their own enthusiasm to the job.



Welcome and good luck ladies.

9 HOLE LADIES - Sadly rain dominated golf for most of September for the 9-hole members.

The usual group of players attended the 9-hole Vets tournament on 11th September. It was a beautiful Nelson day, but the course was still quite wet which some of us found very difficult. It was still an enjoyable day with a larger group overall than we often have.

Unfortunately, Motueka's annual tournament was postponed – twice, due to the weather. They would still like to hold it if they can find a suitable day. It is disappointing for clubs who go to all the time and effort to plan a tournament only to have to postpone.

One bright spot this month was the 9-Hole mixed Stableford tournament held at Golden Downs on September 13th. The rain stayed away and their course is dry! So much easier to play! Afterwards they provided lovely refreshments.

Most of the 9-Hole competitions for this year have been completed. The Lough Trophy and the Championship finals should be completed over the next few weeks.

Happy golfing Sue Paine



MID WEEK MEN. - Hi one and all.....

The Drummond cup has been completed. The hickory was played at Tasman which was the wettest course in Tasman in fact it was touch and go that it was played at all, Totaradale was 3rd equal.

The Seniors 2 day tournament was cancelled due to lack of numbers and bad weather. Once again the Vets tournament was cancelled due to the course being under water. (3 Vets cancelled this year so far) We are planning to try again with the Seniors Tournament in February 2018, we are also looking at a Vets club championship next year.

Keep your gum boots handy. Ron





STARTING OCTOBER

**9 or 18 Holes \$10 Only
All Summer Long**

Tee Up for Ten Buck Thursdays.

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the game of golf.**

CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

What's coming up?

Twilight Golf - Starts this week with a warm up round and the serious stuff starts on the 11th. Still time to get a team in.

Club Champs Finals on Saturday the 7th - the course will be closed. It would be great to see some members come along and support the finalists. For those of you who will need their golfing fix why not come out on Sunday tee-off 11:00am and Ross will organise a competition.

Saturday 14th - Hillerby & Hart 36 hole Mens' Foursomes - the entry sheet is on the board.

Friday 27th - 9 Hole Best of the Best - Finals day for the 9 holers in the district being held @ Totaradale.

Sunday 29th - Liddle & Mace 27 hole Mixed Foursomes - entry sheet is on the board

Country Clubs - there has been a change to the programme and this event is now scheduled for Sat 28th & Sun 29th. This is a 72 holes handicap match play event being held at Greenacres. A sheet is on the board for players to put their names up

What's New?

Hopefully everybody has had chance to get onto the new website and are now able to find all information they need. Please let me know if there are any additions you would like to see on the site.

What's Gone? The flax on 15.

On the course!

The fairways on #9/18 and #3/12 will have a minor change in shape and will effectively be a little wider on the approach to the greens.

Divot Holes & Pitch Marks - please be vigilant with these. It is generally considered that a pitch mark correctly repaired will heal within 24/48hrs and a badly repaired one could take up to three weeks.



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RULES CORNER

Taking a drop - should I mark my ball? Let's add some clarification to this issue which is very well covered in the second paragraph of Rule 20-1 Lifting and Marking... *The position of the ball must be marked before it is lifted under a Rule that requires the ball to be replaced.*

So when **must** you mark it?

Lifting your ball to identify it - you must mark it.

Lifting your ball if it assists/interferes with another player - you must mark it.

Lifting your ball to check for damage - you must mark it.

At any time when lifting your ball on the green - you must mark it.

Lifting your ball when 'placing' is available - although you are not necessarily replacing the ball in the exact same position you must however still mark its' position so it can be clearly seen that you are placing within the prescribed distance.

So when is it not necessary to mark your ball when lifting it?

Taking relief from GUR, Casual Water, or any other Abnormal Ground condition and additionally taking relief from an Immovable Obstruction e.g. a path, sprinkler head, and the like - there is no need to mark the ball as you are not going to replace it.

However, in these circumstances the lifting of the ball should be the last thing you do. Why? when any of the above interfere with your play you should first consider where your nearest point of relief is and the club length area to drop in - if this happens to be in a flax bush or on some gnarly tree roots you may decide not to take relief but if you have already lifted your ball you would now need to replace it with a one stroke penalty [irrespective of whether you marked it or not].

Unplayable Ball - no need to mark when lifting however best to leave it there until you have measured your two club lengths from where the ball lies or if going back on line of ball and flagstick.

Best practice - so even when the Rules do not require you to mark your ball when lifting, its' recommended that you do to avoid any potential dispute.

18 HOLE LADIES REPORT

- Well the season has just about come to an end with some very interesting results through the year.

We have Club Champs being played on the 7th October so come on out and support those playing.

Senior; Adrienne/Jean Intermediate; Lynne/Fran Junior A; Clare – Yvonne Junior B; Lian – Sally
Flight Final; Sue – Lee-Anne

Good luck to all these players on the day.

A big thank you to Sue who has covered a busy 3 months filling in for Pip our Tuesday Captain while she

travelled the world, but she will be back to reality on the 18th October..... 😊

To all those battling sickness, colds and injuries summers just around the corner

keep smiling.. 😊

Cheers and Happy Golfing Fran



Vai Malietoa Memorial Tournament



Best dressed Team - Must have helped the Golf

Caroline ready to present the Vai's Plate for the 10th & last time.



Winning Team receiving the Vai Memorial Plate for 2017



The Cook & his Apprentice

OUT AND ABOUT WITH YOUR GREENKEEPER - Interesting to check rain fall this year compared with last winter. There was only 25mm more at the last week of September over the same period last year. But we only got 10mm in July this year. The wind we've been having this week has certainly made a difference to the conditions of the course. And it has made a difference to the greens too. To the point that I have start applying a bit of water so they don't dry out too quickly.

One of the things I enjoy about Totaradale Golf club is the bird life it has on the course. I had an amazing experience a few weeks ago, when a native falcon chased a sparrow to get a feed. They were ducking and diving for about 5 minutes flying right over my head.

Good luck to those players who are in the finals of the club champs.

Happy golfing, cheers John



LAWN FERTILIZER - Due to members asking the Green Keeper about lawn fertilizer the club has FOR SALE 10kg bags for \$25.00. Please see John and he will get this for you.



SATURDAY MEN'S CLUB CAPTAIN REPORT - September has been a busy month golf wise. Club Champs have been on the go getting through the rounds & semi finals for the finals on 7th October.

The Ryder Trophy played against Tasman was a success for Tataradale. Saturday morning result 6 1/2 Tataradale 3 1/2 Tasman. Saturday afternoon 8 Tataradale 2 Tasman for a total of 14 1/2 Tataradale 5 1/2 Tasman. Sunday singles at Tasman 11 1/2 Tasman 9 1/2 Tataradale for a final result of 24 Tataradale 17 Tasman. We brought the Trophy home.

The winners
of the
RyderGee
what a good
looking
bunch :)



Two
hands
firmly on
the
Trophy
Again!



Golf Jokes are bit like Dad jokes - but you still grin.....

Bob was playing with this 85-year-old man recently on a course that he was unfamiliar with. On the third hole, Bob asked him what's the best part of the fairway to be on, and he replied, "the top."

Last words of a golfer standing in the woods? "I can see a gap."

A guy on vacation finishes his round, goes into the clubhouse. The head pro says, "Did you have a good time out there?"
The man replied "Fabulous, thank you."
"You're welcome," said the pro. "How did you find the greens?"
Said the man: "Easy. I just walked to the end of the fairways and there they were!"

Four retired men play golf together once a week for many years. One day on 16th hole that runs alongside the highway, a funeral procession drives by. One man says to the others,
"Stop and remove your hats, show some respect."
Afterward, one of the other men asked him what got into him. "I have never seen you show anybody any respect."
The first man replied: "I was married to her for 65 years."

Bad day at the course," a guy tells his wife. "Charlie had a heart attack on the third hole."
"That's terrible!" she says.
"You're telling me," the husband replies. "All day long, it was hit the ball, drag Charlie."

A man was addressing the ball when an announcement came over the loud-speaker: "Will the gentleman on hole number one please not hit from the Ladies' tee box."
The man backs away, a little distracted, then approaches his ball again. As he does, the same announcement comes over the loud-speaker:
"Will the gentleman on hole number one please not hit from the Ladies' tee box."
The man is getting irritated now, and after backing away from his shot, approaches his ball one more time.
This time the announcement came:
"We really need the gentleman on hole number one to move off of the Ladies' tee box!" To which the man turns around and yells:
"And I really need the announcer to shut up and let me play my second shot!"



UP AND COMING DATES TO REMEMBER.....

SAT 7th - Club Champs Final Day..... Come up and support those playing and enjoy the fun club atmosphere.

WED 11th - Team Twilight starts.....Tee off between 4 & 6pm

THURS 12th - Takaka Ladies Open

SAT 14th - Hillerby & Hart 36 hole 4somes

SUN 15th - Golden Downs Open

SAT 28th & SUN 29th - Country Clubs Tournament - Greenacres

SUN 29th - Liddle & Mace 27 Hole Gross Nett Foursomes

Closing Day Saturday 18th November

AMG - Monday November 27th

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE SNIPITS

- ◆ Reciprocal rights with Greenacres - see details on notice boards.
- ◆ Club Marquee has been sold.
- ◆ AGM is just around the corner please consider standing for various committee positions.
- ◆ \$10 green fee Thursday all summer long.

CLUB CONTACT DETAILS

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OUR CLUBS 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.

