

TOTARADALE GOLF CLUB

NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2017

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT - After the reinstatement of the trundle shed area and our clubhouse now completed, it is time to address a new issue put upon us after the fire.

Advice given to us by structural engineers requiring the need to build a retaining wall beneath the clubhouse at the back of the trundle shed to stop any continuing subsidence to the foundations of the building above.

We have received several quotes for this work from which one company will commence work shortly and take approximately three weeks to complete.

As a committee we have applied for a Network Tasman loan to fund this project. They offer money for community projects at a two percent non compounding interest rate.

Some of you may have noticed a credit on your yearly invoices for last years trundler shed storage. Also a \$50 charge for this 2017 year. This is a \$25 increase passed at the AGM. All things going to plan the trundler shed will be back in use come 1st April.

We would like to thank members for their continued patience's through out these processes.

Stu Beaton



18 HOLE LADIES - Its good to see good numbers attending both Saturday and Tuesday golf again for the start of another great season we hope. We have completed two summer competitions Saturday Jean Hildyard Trophy and Tuesday Ladies Johnston Trophy. We have Acheson Cup challenge coming up against Motueka on Monday the 20th February. The first of six we hope.

Good Golfing to you all.

Fran & Pip



9 HOLE LADIES - January will be remembered by the wind and rain – not our usual Nelson weather! We still managed to start our first club competition, the Alan Lowndes Trophy.

We have sent out fliers for our March 3rd tournament and planning is well under way and we are hoping for a good response.

The new pricing caused a bit of confusion to start with but that is now sorted. The new start times for summer and winter are similar to what we do now so there will be no problems.

Sue Paine - Captain



Club Captain's Report - The January holiday period is often a busy time with members trying to get a little more golf in and also visitors wanting some golfing time out. It is paramount that both members and green fee players have an enjoyable golfing experience playing at Totaradale. It is also important that all players on the course understand how and when to let faster groups play through. Members are obviously more experienced in handling this and will know to allow a brisk pair of green fee players through. However, this is not always the same for green fee players. Some are novices and not conversant with the golfing etiquette of letting groups play through. If, as members you are being held up by green fee players having a good day out, please be patient and when the opportunity arises introduce yourselves, be the 'club ambassadors' and politely request to play through.

25 of our members had a great experience with Lynnette Brooky's Coaching Days. This was a fabulous opportunity for our members and the feedback from many was excellent, "worth every cent", "brilliant", "really simple" and so on. Lynnette also videoed each player's swing and will be sending through an individual analysis to each of them. Due to the popularity of these sessions we have managed to secure another visit Friday 17th February for a group of 8 and Saturday 18th February for individual 'one on one' sessions or even in pairs. Flyers will be going up soon so please phone the clubhouse to reserve your place.

Timbertown Tournament was played on Sunday the 29th, what a fantastic Nelson summer day and perfect conditions for golf. This was a best nett of four team event and first place was a tie and a play-off necessary. It's a number of years since we've needed a play-off and this time it was played on holes 16,17 and 18, with the lowest best nett for three holes declared the winners who were Jo Hay, Ron Hay, Eric Bradley and Hamish Mc. by the narrowest of margin over Sue [I've got Cherie's shoes on] Rawson, Bill Vercoe, Murray Newport and Brian Biggs. Well played! to all of you.

Another wonderful tournament coming up on February 26th to celebrate the 'post-fire' re-opening of the clubhouse, posters will be going up soon so be quick to get your names in. Teams of Four - combined Stableford with a twist.

Results of the Mid-week Tee-Time Survey [79 participated]

Members preference to keep the current mid-week start times won by a narrow margin. However, please note that the Summer & Winter periods will align with Closing Day and Opening Day. Details will be in the new programme book.

— 9.30am in Summer and 10.00am in Winter	49.37% 39
— 10.00am all year round	43.04% 34
— 10.30am all year round	5.06% 4
OTHER Responses	2.53% 2



MID WEEK MEN'S - For the mid-week players January was well attended with Tuesdays building to 55 plus in the field. The Vets tournament in mid January was a success with 62 in the field and Ted Martin being the men's winner on 46 pts. The ladies being won by Cay Cockerell on 41 pts.

The Hickory team performed well in wet conditions at Motueka coming second to Takaka who won with 148 pts. and we had 144.

You will have seen the results of survey on the previous page with status quo remaining. Hopefully this lays to rest any lingering dissatisfaction and we can forge ahead.

Ron

OUT AND ABOUT WITH THE GREENKEEPER - As some of you may have experienced, playing golf along #3 has been a challenge lately.

Between the gravel pit coming from the forestry and the strong winds blowing the pine trees over it has been a real obstacle course.

This is an incredible summer for keeping the golf course nice and green. I just tipped out another 8mm today.

Sorry to cause some inconvenience to your golfing for time to time. I'm in the middle of drilling and sanding. Taking a bit longer this time because of still so much rough and fairway to mow. And the rain puts a hold on it too.

Well that's about all I have to report from the green keepers point of view.



IMPORT INFORMATION

- ◆ When ever possible please pay your SUBS online. Thxs
- ◆ Please bring office staff any change of details Email/phone/address etc. Thxs
- ◆ Remember increase to competition entry fee :)
- ◆ Please remember to bring cash with you on club days. (the club tries to carry as little cash as possible for security reasons)
- ◆ Please be diligent with what you are paying when buying your raffle ticket. (we can all make wee mistakes) Thxs.

TIPS & BITS

- ◆ Please be aware of hazards on course and follow any instructions at all times.
- ◆ Are you taking your sand buckets?
- ◆ Letting another group of golfer's through benefits both parties involved.
- ◆ Bring a friend for a round of golf and they receive a \$5 discount on their Green Fees.
- ◆ If you have ever lost a club on the course be sure to check the office....when have a wee collection.
- ◆ Have some spare time?.....check with staff that they don't have a wee job you could help with.



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*In Celebration of our
Post-fire Clubhouse Re-opening*

TEAM GOLF TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY 26TH FEBRUARY 11.00am Tee-off
COMBINED STABLEFORD SCORES WITH A TWIST
TEAMS OF FOUR - ANY GENDER MIX



COME JOIN US ON A FUN DAY OF GOLF

Entries close Saturday 25th February

Tel: 03 541 8030 or Email: totaradalegolfclub@xtra.co.nz

Tournament Prizes Needed !

To celebrate the re-opening of the clubhouse we are holding a 'Post-Fire' Team Tournament on Sunday the 26th Feb - Tee off 11.00am. This will be a combined team of four Stableford score where one ball on each hole counts double [but there will be a twist].

This is a great opportunity to have an enjoyable fun social day of golf with fellow members. Teams can be made up of any gender mix and all members are encouraged to enter.

The tournament is intended as a fund raiser for the club and we hope to present a prize table with little or no cost. We therefore ask you as members to support the club and bring a prize in to Jackie. This could be something you have previously won and never used, or tap your boss on the shoulder and see if he is able to donate something, or simply add a bottle of wine in your basket when you next go to the supermarket.

Your efforts are appreciated - thank you.





TOTARADALE MEMBERS EXCLUSIVE GOLF LESSONS with LYNNETTE BROOKY

Friday 17th & Sat 18th Feb [Limited places]



After World No.1 Lydia Ko, Lynnette Brooky is New Zealand's most successful ever Tournament lady golfer. She has won all over the World with 9 victories and 56 Top Ten finishes.

A truly global golfer Lynnette won, two French Open titles, an Austrian open and the 2006 Spanish Open. Added to this are appearances in 3 World Cups, 10 British Opens and 6 US Opens.

In 260 events on Tour an amazing stroke average of 72.84 spanning over 800+ rounds of golf saw Lynnette amass over two million NZD in prize money.

Lynnette has been teaching for 10 years in Europe before coming home to spread her knowledge to kiwi golfers.

Friday 17th Feb Full Day Coaching Schedule

- 9.30 Morning Coaching
[2 x 90 minute sessions, long game & short game]
- 12.30 Lunch
- 1.30 On course tuition [split into two fours]
- 4.15 Clubhouse Q & A's with Lynnette

Cost \$80 per person

Saturday 18th Feb - Individual or Pairs Lesson

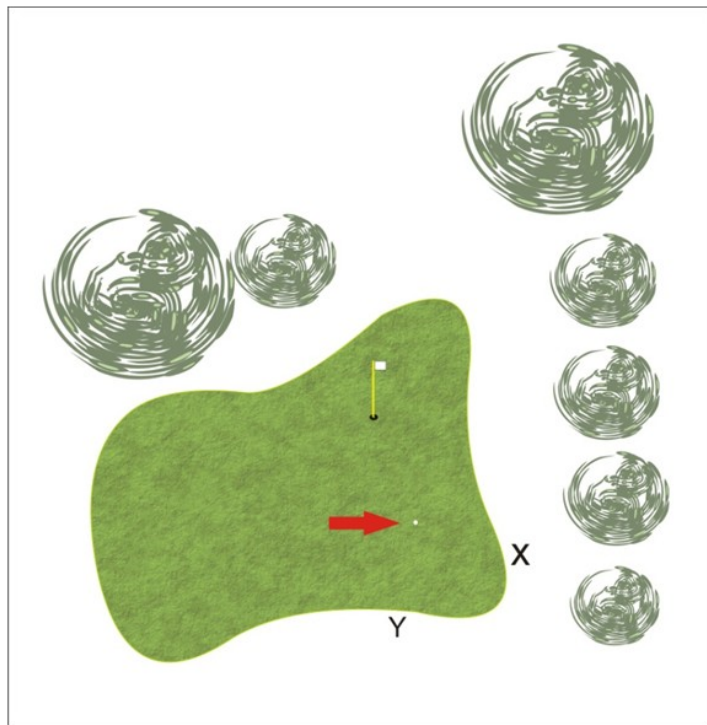
Individual Lesson - \$80 for 1hr
Pairs Lesson - \$120 for 1hr15min
From 8:30am to 4.30pm

**Please contact Jackie to book your place
Jackie: 541 8030**

Playing #2 you end up on #7 green.....a wrong green.

Yes, it does happen, you aim left of the tree and then it kicks a little more left and before you know it, your ball has dribbled down the bank onto #7 green - a wrong green.

You must not play from a wrong green, so where do you need to drop? You must drop within one club length of the nearest point of relief. So where is your nearest point of relief? In the example below the ball lies on the green shown by the arrow.

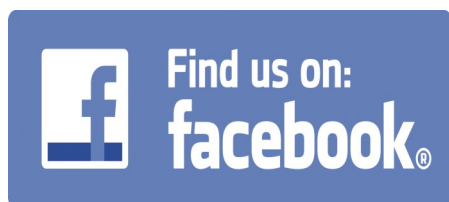


There is only ONE nearest point of relief. It isn't necessarily the 'nicest' point of relief away from the tree line. Occasionally you may find that the nearest point may be behind the green at point Y. So before you go running onto the green to retrieve your ball have a close look at its' position and then determine which edge of the green is the nearest, is it X or is it Y? In this instance X is the nearest point of relief and you must drop within 1 club length of this point. Should it roll back onto the green you must re-drop and if it rolls again onto the green, now place where the second drop hit the course.

Note: it does not matter if your feet are on the green to play your stroke.

Falling Pine Trees.....I'm sure most of you are aware due to heavy winds we have had several falling pine trees down the right hand side of #3. This area

presents a danger to players on the course and for Health & Safety reasons has been cordoned off. **You must not enter this area to retrieve any balls.** This area has temporarily been deemed as GUR to infinity. Out of bound only exists before and after the taped off area. If your ball enters this area treat it as lost in GUR and use the drop zone [no penalty]. Work will soon start to clear the trees and you may find that over the next few weeks #3 will be closed off. In this situation on completion of #2 please walk to #5 omitting the play of holes 3 & 4 [also holes 12 & 13] this will only occur on 'non' Club days.



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