

TOTARADALE GOLF CLUB



NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2018

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - A big warm welcome to Megan Orchard who has joined the Totaradale family, Megan comes from a hospitality background and I'm sure you will all make her transition into the job an easy one. Thanks to everyone who turned up with a team for the inaugural Totaradale Quiz Night. What a fantastic turn out, over one hundred members and guests in the clubhouse and yes, we didn't have enough tables and chairs but somehow we managed. A further thank you to the sponsors who donated items for the silent auction and also you the members for donating bottles of wine.

The quiz master for the evening was Murray Leaning who was outstanding and to make things easier for us brought his wife Wendy along to run the slideshow, mark the answer sheets and keep track of the winners and losers. We were also fortunate to have the lovely Hannah to whiz through the tables collecting answer sheets and serving platters. Oh yes the winners.....Dad's Army.... Clare Heslop, Dennis Hall, Julie Hall, Dennis Beggs, Kate Beggs and Brian Wislang..... well done team.

With so many people in the clubhouse we needed all hands on deck in the kitchen and bar and the ladies did a fantastic job, thanks Amber, Megan, Paula and everyone else who helped out in some way on the evening. The event raised over \$2000 for the club and much appreciated.

The start of October is always significant for the club; Club Champs finals, Twilight golf starts, daylight saving kicks in, summer members return and the start of a new financial year. How the club traded over the last year will be presented in the financial report at the AGM in November.

The AGM is an important function for any incorporated society and offers the opportunity for members to raise any matters of concern or operational suggestions moving forward. We need as many members attending as possible not only to have a say but to also cast votes. By attending the AGM it does not mean you'll get roped into a job you didn't want, we have nomination sheets for this purpose and these have already been posted in the clubhouse. If you do feel you are able to contribute in some way on the Committee please ask a fellow member to nominate you.

Good Golfing, Mike H.

MID WEEK MEN - Hi to one and all,

Hickory in October was a disaster so enough off that. We are well into the match play pairs and conditions are reasonable, so some good scores are coming in.

We are getting good fields now the weather has improved. Coming up this month is Hickory at Takaka and Vets on the Thursday the 15th. Remember to take sand buckets when playing as they are free to use.

Also the new rules come into play shortly so start using them to speed play up.

Ron

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9 HOLE LADIES - This month sees the completion of all our competitions for the year. The 9-hole Club Champ finals were played on October 6th along with the 18- hole Champs. It was a very successful day by all accounts. I was sorry I was unable to attend.

Marlborough Golf Club held their 9 Hole tournament on October 2nd. Three of us attended and two players were prize winners. It was a lovely day enjoyed by everyone. It was less stressful going over the night before too!

Waahi Taakaro held a mixed vets tournament including 9 hole players. Two of our members played, along with half a dozen from Nelson. A perfect day for weather but the golf was testing. Another successful day. They intend to hold another tournament in December.

Greenacres held their open tournament for 9 hole players on October 26th. Rain was predicted but didn't happen. It was well attended and several people came home with prizes and raffles. It is always lovely to catch up with other players from around the region.

We look forward to our Best of the Best tournament to be played at Greenacres on November 1st. Best of luck to all participants.

Good golfing.

Sue Paine



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CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT - The Club Championships Finals Day was a great event with perfect weather and the course in excellent condition. Thanks to all who contributed to making this a successful event.

Congratulations to all our winners and well done on being in the finals to those who came second.

AGM and Ladies Meetings: Don't forget to support your club by attending the upcoming meetings.

Nine Holes - Friday 16 November. 18 hole Ladies 7pm Thursday 22 November.

Club AGM 7pm Monday 26 November. Please get your names up to serve on the various committees.

The success of our club depends on the voluntary work of our members and it is certainly appreciated that many members contribute to the successful running of the club. Thank you to all who have contributed in any way during this last year.

Thank you also to John, Amber, Megan and Paula for all your work. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated staff who cope with our members many idiosyncrasies.

Champion of Champions: Good luck to our ladies who are playing in this event in Kaikoura next weekend.

Closing Day is on Saturday 17 November. It would be great to have a large turnout for this 18 hole Ambrose and the prize giving to follow. Let's celebrate a successful season and be there to support our trophy winners.

Pip

RULES CORNER - Rules Modernisation 2019

For those of you with a reasonably new smart phone you must download the latest app from the R&A with the new Rules for 2019, this really is an excellent resource.

Click here <https://www.randa.org/en/rulesequipment/rules/rulesmodernisation>

The hard copy Player's Edition of the new Rules will be available shortly and I would encourage all of you to keep it by your side and familiarise yourselves with the new Rules and the excellent diagrams.

I appreciate the Rules can often appear complex or pedantic and for some best left alone but the reality is the Rules of Golf are there to serve a purpose of helping your golf rather than a nuisance value.

Unlike many sports that use a set court, pitch or sports field, golf uses a few acres of maintained countryside. Other sports do not have gardens, ponds, trees, rabbits and the like on the field of play and so the Rules of Golf somehow have to factor in what a player can or must do when faced with some peculiar situation.

During November we'll be holding a couple of New Rules seminars, these will take a less than an hour and will briefly run through the majority of changes that would apply to the everyday club golfer.

There will be no 'phase in' of the new Rules therefore midnight New Years Eve the new Rules come into force.

Meanwhile if you have any questions feel free to email me info@totaradalegolf.co.nz

OUT AND ABOUT WITH YOUR GREENKEEPER - Unsung hero.

Glen has been coming to Totaradale every Wednesday for the last 2.5 years.

Glen is a great help keeping the rough under control this time of year. And helps out with lots of other chores around the course. He normally comes over for 3 hours, but without being asked or told Glen would stay working for 4-5 hrs.

He takes a lot of pride in his work and is very interested in extending his knowledge of practices around the golf course. I very much appreciate Glen's help. He has a very friendly personality and always up for a chat with happy golfers.

Glen has some very interesting hobbies eg, salt water aquariums, drone flying and racing his Husky dogs.

Please say hello to Glen the next time you see him on the course.

Happy Golfing John.



LAWN FERTILIZER -

Due to members enquiring with the Green Keeper about lawn fertilizer the club has FOR SALE 20kg bags of fertilizer for \$45. Please see John if you would like to purchase.



SATURDAY MENS REPORT - October was a busy month for the men's program. We had the finals of the club champs, congrats to all the winners & the runners up. We had the Hillerby & Hart Foursomes, congrats to the winners & runners up there also.

Country Clubs was played at Tasman and we entered a team of 8 players, we did not have a lot of success, but I would like to thank the guys who entered the comp for being willing to play 72 holes at Tasman.

Ross D

18 HOLE LADIES REPORT - So nice to see and feel the warmer weather settling in. Good luck to all the talented ladies who have made the finals in the club champs. Well done to you all.

The Fowler Rose Bowl was contested on September 22nd with Sue Rawson Audrey Barron tying as the winners.

Competitions still being played include:

- Lines (Sat)
- Madge Johnson (Tues)
- Daisy Martin (Tues putting)
- Riddle Rose Bowl (Tues)

Golden Downs hosted their District Open Day in September and Totaradale Teams did very well.

1st Helen White, Lynne Johnstone, Marg Orman and Marg Hall.

2nd Adrianne Wislang, Sue Rawson, Pip Edwards and Cay Cockerell

Happy spring golfing everyone

Audrey and Pip

FROM THE CLUBHOUSE - Many of you will have now met Megan our new clubhouse administrator working alongside myself. I thank you for your warm welcome towards her, Megan has started at a very busy time of year at Totaradale so has well and truly hit the ground running, with the added extra of doing catering for twilight every Wednesday.

The Totaradale Christmas Hamper Tournament is just around the corner on Saturday 8th December, it would be great to see a lot of you there playing, entry sheet is up on the men's notice board.

Congratulations to Colin Eathorne who competed last weekend at the South Island Police Golf Champs held in Gore. Colin won best overall Nett from a field of 82 entrants. Great to see former Totaradale member Milo getting his name on a slightly less ostentatious trophy winning Intermediate A Nett. Well done boys!!

Played on Sunday the 4th November was the Liddle & Mace Cups, congratulations to the winners of Best Gross team of Helen White and Murray Newport and winners of Best Nett combination of Jean Nichol and Ross Dalley.

Cheers, Amber.



Totaradale Golf Club



**CHRISTMAS
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SATURDAY 8th DECEMBER 2018

Tee-off: 8:00am and 12:30pm

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UP AND COMING DATES TO REMEMBER.....

NOVEMBER

SUN 4th - Liddle & Mace 27 Holes
TUE 6th - Melbourne Cup Day
THUR 15th - Totaradale Mixed Vets
FRI 16th - 9 Hole Closing Day
SAT 17th - Closing Day & Prizegiving
MON 26th - AGM 7pm at clubhouse

COMING UP IN DECEMBER

TUE 4th - SEPIE CUP
FRI 7th - 9 Hole Christmas Tournament
SAT 8th - Totaradale Xmas Hamper
TUE 25th - No competition (Clubhouse closed)
WED 26th - Boxing Day (Clubhouse open)
MON 31st - Last Day of Current Rules of Golf

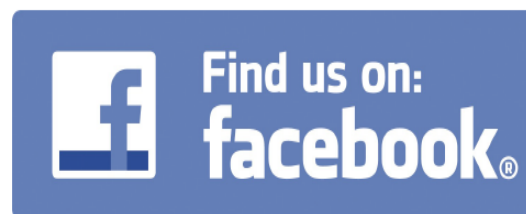
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE SNIPITS

- ◆ Subs for 2019 to be discussed at next meeting before AGM
- ◆ Grant received from TDC for \$1500 towards Chipper
- ◆ Lion Foundation grant application for fairway mower unsuccessful
- ◆ Concrete post placed in front of trundle shed as interim measure to create access room
- ◆ Sale proceeds of tyres from Mule to go towards new compressor

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 our Club an enjoyable and affordable place to play golf and socialize.

The Golf Course is always our main priority.

