



TOTARADALE GOLF CLUB

NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2016

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT - Tenders close on the 4th for work on our clubhouse so we will hope to see some action during November and December. In the meantime our marquee is working well and many thanks to the 18 hole ladies for their lunches on a Tuesday and Saturday. Twilight is in full swing with numbers being in the sixties each week. Our caterers are making great use of our new BBQ. The AGM is around the corner and this gives you the opportunity to have your say on any aspect of the club. The election of officers and committee is a chance to have a contribution in the running of the club. Nominations sheets can be found on the board in the marquee. Sporting clubs like ours are built and enhanced by volunteers giving their time so be sure to get your nominations in.



18 HOLE LADIES - wow how the year is moving. With all our competitions nearly finished the end of winter golf is coming to a close.

Totaradale ladies have won the Acheson Cup for another year, the 3rd in a row. Well done to all those who participated throughout the year.

I must say a great thank you to all the ladies who have been providing food for Tuesdays and Saturdays since our kitchen has been out of service. A great effort. If there is anyone else who would like to help please please contact me as there is still plenty of time for you to contribute.

Our Ladies committee for 2017 is looking good but probably room for more on committee. Please check the nominations form if you or anyone you know of want to help with the organising of Ladies golf for next year.



Several of our ladies played in the Golden Downs open last week and many brought home prizes. Their Course is looking very good but not always easy to play. Well done girls. Helen White played at Nelson on Tuesday in their 27 hole Melbourne Cup Day tournament and played well also.

Our Course is looking really good at present but still a little wet from time to time when we get more spring rain. Thanks John for keeping it looking so good.

Good golfing Sue

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.



Health and Safety November 2016

With all the complications around the new law of Health and Safety we decided to create 2 new forms/waivers around the use of:

A. Mobility Scooters and Golf Cruisers, this form has to be filled out only once and will be filed in our Health and Safety folder.

B. The hire/use of the Club Golf Cart, that form has to be filled in every time the Cart will be used and will be filed as well.

Hoping the cart will be available in the near future again. Members and visitors will be presented with those forms as from now on. Those forms have been in use for a long time already at the Nelson Golf Club.

The reason for the use of the forms is to make all aware that the persons using that form of transport are liable if there would be any incident or accident, not the Golf Club. Hoping that you will appreciate our action in a positive manner.

Happy and safe golfing!

MEN'S CAPTAIN'S REPORT - A busy month has gone by fast with Club Championships being completed. We last weekend had four players (Mark Topia, Murray Newport, Eric Bradley & Hamish McWhinnie) play the Country clubs Teams event at Golden Downs. We finished mid field with the eventual winners being Nelson 1 with 15 of a possible 16 points. Waahi Taakaro came 2nd, and Golden Downs 1 coming third. Next year it will be played at Greenacres. I have a number of names up on the sheet for Sunday 13th November which is the Ryder Trophy singles matches and will confirm players via the website Tuesday 8th November. Don't forget nominations for Captain, vice captain and committee are on a board floating from club house to marquee so be sure to put your name up.

Happy Golfing Hamish



TOTARADALE AGM ANNUAL MEETING

DATE: Monday 28th November

Time: 7pm

PLACE: Wakefield Hall - Supper Room



OUT AND ABOUT WITH JOHN - I hope you golfing lot can forgive me a little bit with the course being a bit hairy in places. I think I mentioned the weather "DEMONS" in last months newsletter. Well they are still hanging around.

Thanks to Dennis Beggs, who has been a great help trying to keep it under control. You will see Dennis around a bit more beginning of this month while I am going on a trip around the South Island with my wife on our motorbikes. All the best to the golfers who are representing Totaradale playing Tasman for the Ryder Cup.

Happy golfing John



CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT - It's hard to believe November is upon us! Where has the year gone?

Passion

Successful clubs are led by people who are passionate about the club's mission; who want to share it with others; who want to help them expand their knowledge and enjoyment.

This passion shows through in everything the club does, from events to the newsletter, from the web site to education, from membership programs through attracting sponsors and advertisers, and in every interaction with members and the community.

Never forget to keep it fun. People join a club or association because they think it can add value to their lives, either their personal pursuits or their careers.

They will continue to be members as long as the perceived value is there, and as long as the people running the club are positive and uplifting, willing to share their knowledge and answer questions, willing to listen to ideas and open to others getting involved.

Clubs should always be trying to innovate, never sitting still. What worked ten years ago, even what worked three years ago won't necessarily work now, or perhaps there are better ways to attract and keep members. Don't be afraid to try new things; you will learn as much from what doesn't work as from what works. Be flexible and be welcoming towards new ideas, especially from younger members.

Yes, it's that time again- if you still have the **passion** please put your name up on one of the various nomination boards in the office.

Tournaments to Enter

The Hore Rosebowl 27 Hole Mixed Bestball { one lady/one man} 6th November 9 am start-Please bring your own lunch.

The Captain's Trophy 19th November {Teams of 4-must include one lady in each team}

The Stewart Cup 27 Hole best ball par {Teams of 4- must include one lady in each team} 20th November 9am start.

The Captain's meeting is this Saturday the 5th of November, 10:30 at the Club.



BEAT THE PRO'S DAY SATURDAY 12TH NOVEMBER

Your chance to take on Hamish Campbell & Glynn Delany

- * 12noon shot gun start
- * 2man ambrose format
- *\$10 per player

A auction will be held prior to tee off to see who will play with the Pro's

Advice or not?

Alan invited his workmates Bob, Chris and Ernie to his club for a round of golf. Alan promised to give them advice as they played the course. The first hole has a blind tee shot. Alan said that the tree in the distance was in line with the middle of the fairway. The players teed off and proceeded to their balls.

Alan took out his rangefinder and told Bob that his ball was 148 metres from the hole. Alan gave the rangefinder to Ernie to use while Alan went to get a club. Ernie played and his ball landed on the green. Alan, whose ball was a few feet away from Ernie's, played and his ball landed short of the green. Alan asked Ernie what club he hit. Ernie responded, "a 5 iron."

Chris hit his ball into a water hazard. Alan told Chris what his options were for his next shot. Chris decided to play a ball from a dropping zone. When the players reached the green, they discovered that Bob's ball was in the bushes right of the green. Alan told Bob to deem his ball unplayable and drop within two club-lengths of the ball, but no nearer to the hole, which Bob did.

How many penalty strokes has Alan incurred for giving advice? a. 2 b. 4 c. 6 Or d. 8

- ◆ The location of the tree is public information and not advice.
- ◆ A rangefinder or information from the rangefinder may be shared among players.
- ◆ Alan and Ernie had already played their shots, so they may share information about the clubs they used.
- ◆ Alan can explain the options for proceeding under the water-hazard rule to Chris as it is information on the Rules and not advice.
- ◆ Alan incurs a two-stroke penalty for telling Bob to deem his ball unplayable as it could influence Bob in determining his play.
- ◆ So the correct answer is (a) 2 strokes
- ◆

So what exactly is advice? let's look at the definition....

"Advice" is any counsel or suggestion that could influence a player in determining his play, the choice of club or the method of making a stroke.

Information on the Rules, distance or matters of public information, such as the position of hazards or the flagstick on the putting green, is not advice.

LADIES 9 HOLE GOLF GROUP - Two years ago the 9 hole Golf convenors for the Tasman district got together and decided to generate a new competition between our Champion winning Ladies from each club. This was to be called "The Best of the Best" Competition and would be played in rotation at a different Golf Club each year. Each club would send their Division 1 Champion and runner up, their Division 2 Champion and runner up and also a player nominated as their "best improved". This year the Best of the Best Competition was played last week at Nelson Golf Club. We were lucky to have a dry day amongst all this rain we have been experiencing. Five of our Ladies were competing. Judy Waugh and Sue Thwaites, our Grade 1 Champion and runner up. Sue Paine and Esme Lowndes, our Grade 2 Champion and runner up and Carol O'Reilly our most improved player. Plus a support team of Caddies.

As expected the competition was fierce but I am pleased to report that Totaradale came through thanks to Judy Waugh overall Best of the best Trophy winner and Esme Lowndes Grade 2 Trophy winner. Well done Ladies. Next stop the Champion of Champions. Good luck to Judy and Sue representing our club Champions and Jill Jorgensen as our entry for the Sue Bunt Salver.



Team Totaradale Players & Caddies



Trophy winners Judy & Esme