



# TOTARADALE GOLF CLUB

NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2016

**A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT** - As I am sure most are aware of the fire within the trundle shed. We all consider how lucky we were to escape with minimum damage and most importantly no harm to members. We were fortunate it happened at the time it did and thankful for the quick actions of a few present. I hope those affected personally with the loss of gear are working through with there insurance and having a positive outcome. Its great to see members helping each other by making spare clubs available .

As a committee we are working through issues to keep the enjoyment of Totaradale going through this time of disruption and will endeavour to keep you informed on progress. Many thanks to Jackie for her extra hours liaising and coordinating for the club.



Stu Beaton

**18 HOLE LADIES** - Hi All.....We are now coming to the end of another season. Most of our competition golf is finished.

It was a sad day when we had the fire at the clubhouse and so many lost clubs and trundler's. Most have now replaced the equipment and are back out playing with new clubs. I hope they are all performing well.

The last Acheson Cup has been played for this year. Won by Totaradale again 5 matches to 1. We keep the Trophy for the year.

With finals day split in two we have nearly all results finished for the Club Champs. Congratulations to those who have won, and runners up and good luck to those who still have matches to play.

Congratulations to Adrienne who was selected to join the Nelson Ladies Team to play in Westrupp Cup at Kaikoura and well done to the Nelson Team who won.

A big thank you to all the ladies who have helped and put their name on the list to help with lunches while our kitchen is not in operation. We hope we can have enough people so we only need to do one turn each. If there is **anyone else wanting to help men or ladies please** contact me to get your name on the list. It is a great help to Jackie and is on way we can do something to help our club keep running smoothly throughout this difficult time. Sue Rawson

**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 October 2016

Only a short request. Please be careful with golf clubs which were retrieved from the Skip. I experienced myself that once we went back to retake pictures of my damaged items.....3 clubs had been taken out of the skip. I threw those out as I was told by Glyn Delany those were not safe to use anymore. As you all are aware, Glyn assessed most of the gear which was effected by the fire. A golf club which is damaged can be a lethal weapon.

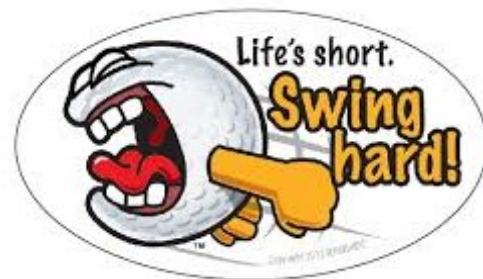
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## OUT OF BOUNDS # 3

**Forest on no.3**  
is out of bounds  
as we are in the  
windy season  
and trees can  
topple over.  
Please play safe  
and stay out of  
this area!



**CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT** - It is wonderful to see how club members are rallying round and supporting Totaradale after the fire. Sue and Cherie did a sterling job providing lunch and platters on our first Championship day. I've had many members commenting on the deliciousness of them. Thank you for all the extra work do are doing to organise food rosters Sue. I'm sure our members are showing their appreciation by putting in the appropriate donation.



Many thanks to Mike who came up on the Friday before the Club Champs to mark the course-yes our course should be marked like this all the time, just to make it easier when there are decisions to be made about golf rulings between players/referees, but as we are volunteers who have other responsibilities we make an extra effort to have the course marked and set out for special tournaments.

Thank you John who has been working hard on the course in sometimes trying conditions to keep it in pristine form. Having the Club Championships on the 1st and 15th of October because of the fire and members needing to replace clubs has made extra work for John. So thank you for being able to come up early on both Saturday mornings to prepare the greens.

Jackie reminded me that we need to keep the golf club working and we need members to keep attending and supporting the club. That is one of the reasons why we opened the course to a limited number of players on the Championship days.

Our Winners and Runner-ups were certainly lucky with the conditions on the course on the 1st of October. Perfect for our golf Championships - not too hot or too cold and the rain came later on at night! Congratulations to all who played in the championships whether a winner or a runner-up you certainly gave me the impression of enjoying your match.

It was wonderful to see members caddying for those in the finals and thanks also for those who refereed the matches. We appreciated those club members who were the gallery and came to view the matches.

Just a reminder- on the 15th of October for the next Club Championship Day there will only be space on the course for 32 members to play a single stableford. Please have your names into the Office Manager by 3pm on Friday 14th of October. The same rules apply-please check on the website regularly, incase there are any changes.

Happy Golfing Nichola

## MEN'S CAPTAIN REPORT - Hi All

It's been a busy month for the men's section of the club with the Ryder Trophy (1/2 way finished), Club Championships and the obvious fire at the clubhouse.

The Winter Stableford competition finished on the 24th of September with three people competing for the trophy.

Finals standings were:

1st - Warren Martin with 77 Pts

2nd - Eric Bradley with 76 Pts

3rd - Mark Topia with 67 Pts

The Men's Club Championships have all but finished with just the Intermediate grade still to complete.

Senior Grade winner Mark Topia after a marathon 39 holes against Lindsay Kearns a close second

Junior A Grade winner Kerry Smith over Brian Biggs

Junior B Grade winner Mike Thorns over Robin Frengley

Senior Flight winner Hamish McWhinnie over Josh Wright

Intermediate Flight winner Samuel Wright over Justin Smith

Junior A Flight winner Warren Martin over Ron Tasker

Junior B Flight Brian Dalley over Blair Tilley

Many thanks to Sue Rawson and Cherie Hancock for the cooking on the day along with all their many helpers, it was great to see the deck full of people after matches enjoying the tucker and a bit of banter.



I personally would like to congratulate Jackie on all the work she has done since the fire and what still she has to keep on top of. A little help from time to time for her from all available club members would be appreciated.

I have been in discussions with the club captain of Tasman to reschedule the singles matches and just await to hear a confirmation of the date I have suggested.

On the notice board currently is a list for players to compete in the Country Clubs event this year to be held at Golden Downs over the weekend of 29th and 30th October, currently we have one team of four and I am hoping that another four players would be available to play. It is four rounds of fourball best ball matchplay and we are currently along with two other clubs defending champions. Entries close next Saturday as I need to enter teams to then sort a draw.

Please be aware that prize giving is drawing near so anybody with trophies from last year at home please look at returning them to the clubhouse so that this years champions can be updated to the trophies and have them to be presented on the 19th of November.

Good golfing for the upcoming month.

Hamish McWhinnie



**MID WEEK MEN** - What sad news it was to learn about the fire in the storage area under the clubhouse and all the damage suffered by many of our midweek golfers with their clubs and carts being destroyed. We do hope the outcome for you all is satisfactory and your insurance companies have done the best they can in offering you assistance with replacing your gear.

The midweek golf program has been busy over the passed few weeks and doesn't look like changing from now until closing day in mid November.

The Russ Cup for Nett best 2 from 3 rounds went to Peter Pinnock with Des Thornton R/up, well played guys.

Our mixed vets September tournament was another huge success with 68 entrees. Men's winner was Stan Friend and Lady's Jan Wilcocks from Greenacres.

Totaradale won the Old Hickory played on our course early Sept and the boys play again in Nelson 6<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Two rounds of the Drummond Cup have been played and the postponed 1<sup>st</sup> round will now be played on 15 November.

The draw is up for the Richard Jack Memorial Pairs matchplay so check it out to see who you are partnered with and when matches are due to be played.

Our midweek players are showing up in the Club Champs with Mike Thorns winning the Junior B from Robin Frengley. Lindsay Kearns put up a great fight in the Senior grade only to lose on the 39<sup>th</sup>. John Barnett is waiting for his opponent to be found for the Intermediate final.

Please make sure you have returned any trophies you may have so this season's winners can have their names engraved.

Also the nomination list for the midweek captain and committee is on the notice board and it is likely an AGM type meeting will be held on presentation day on November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Regards Brian Wislang for the Midweek Committee



### IMPORTANT DATES

Wed 13th - **Team Twilight**

**Sat 22nd** - Starter Choice  
Labour Weekend

Mon 24th - **Labour Day Open**

Nov 17th - **Vets**  
Ladies Annual Meeting

Sat 19th - **Closing Day**

Nov 28th - **AGM**

### IMPORTANT!

**AGM** - Monday 28 November  
Venue to be advised.

**Nominations** sheets are on the board.

**Closing Day** 19th November **NOT** 12th as in book.

**Please** get any **trophies** back to the club ASAP



# OUT AND ABOUT ON YOUR COURSE

The weather demons are out there trying to push the greenkeepers boundaries at the moment. With this week alone emptying close to 100mm out of the rain gage. Grass is just pumping out of the ground the moment. That is spring for you. Not a lot to report. Enjoy your time on the course. Cheers John :-)



**FIRE UPDATE -** The official course of the fire has been confirmed as a manufacturing electrical fault on one of the motorised scooters stored in trundler shed.

We are currently waiting on a scope of damage report and once this is completed and signed off the required work will go out for tender and then repairs can begin. As you can appreciate this is a time consuming process but a very necessary requirement and one the club needs to get right. As members you may think nothing is happening and things are moving very slowly.....but in the back ground everything is ticking away as it should be. So **please** be patient as there are many working hard to make this as undistruptive as possible.

Of course the office is up and running along with toilets and we now have hot water back with more power to a section of the clubhouse happening next week.

A marquee will be set up next week to enable us to continue with our after golf functions. Our golfing programme continues as normal and twilight will be in full swing on Wednesday with the girls back to catering on our new BBQ.



Cleaners are working hard in the back ground getting things clean and into the container ready for when we need them again. As until the building work is completed and smoke free these can become smelly again if put back into the clubhouse.

Many thanks to our fire committee who have jumped to help out at sometimes very short notice. It's great to have many members helping in so many different ways.....Ladies thanks a million for your yummy lunches, Pete & Steve for the messing job of getting stuff into the skips.

And also Glynn Delany for the job of helping our members with their insurance companies and new clubs.

In summary ....thank you for your patience and fabulous Totaradale spirit.

Cheers Jackie



**Thank You!**



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**Saturday 17th September**



## **HAVE YOU GOT ANY FIRE PHOTOS?**

We would love any photos you have to make a fire Album!

**Please** get them printed off and into Jackie at the office.

Thanks :)

