

Anyone For Tee?



Waipu
GOLF CLUB

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WHATS COMING UP?

Marsden Lions Tournament— Friday 26th May
Mid Winter Xmas Cheer— Saturday 24th June

FROM THE CHAIR



Hi everyone

It is great to see the Course looking so green at this time of year and the greens are playing fast and true . Thanks to John , Sarah and Harlem

for all their work during the busy growing season .

Thanks also to Roger Ogle for slicing the fairways with his home built slicer , it definitely promotes the growth and spread of the kikuyu and you can see the grass growing along the furrows it makes .

Thanks also to Dick Pivac and Merv Bradley for rebuilding the paths after all the heavy rain , they had stood up very well considering we have had almost 600mm of rain in the last 6 weeks or so , and now they will be set for the season .

We are looking at shifting the rubbish skip and the recycling bins to tidy up the entrance to the Clubhouse as they are not great to look at, and can get a bit gamey over the summer!

We are looking at putting them behind the cart shed for the petrol powered carts .

This shed will also get a makeover , replacing the fixings for the cladding and new spouting on both sides as well as a coat of paint to protect and spruce it up . We are also looking if it is possible to upgrade the tilt a door . Many thanks to Ross Seward and Brian Smith for taking the lead on this .

The Café is signing a 5 year lease with rights of renewal and yearly reviews so this should give us some stability in this area and I wish Brent and his team all the best and I thank him for his enthusiasm and commitment to making such a great café .

We will be putting a separate power meter in to record the power usage in the kitchen as it has obviously gone up as the Café has gotten busier.

All in all things are running smoothly , please support your Club competitions and Tournaments and enjoy your Clubhouse and camaraderie.

Happy Golfing

Mike

FROM THE TREASURER



Another month has zipped past – more than half the financial year has slipped away and so far the books are in good shape. I'm always a bit tentative about being too optimistic at this time of year as so much depends on the weather in

this golf world. However, subs and green fees continue to exceed last year and budget at this stage and there has been a noticeable improvement in the shop sales with our new layout and extensive stock on offer. There are some current funding applications being submitted for help with our insurance renewals, and some work to be done with piping on the ponds as a next step in the irrigation project. Hopefully we will be successful.

Times are changing for the Club (in a good way) with more and more visitors, paying green fees or visiting our clubhouse for the cafe. One of the reasons they like coming here is the friendly atmosphere and we need to keep building on that. Even if it is your club day and you encounter some visitors on the course or in the clubhouse – have a chat - make them welcome. Don't forget that their patronage helps to subsidize your membership subscription in covering the costs of maintaining our course. Let's keep that friendly Waipu reputation alive and well.

Cheers and enjoy your golf,

Margaret



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FROM THE MEN'S COMMITTEE



Hi Everyone,

After some torrential rain and many storms the course is looking lush and green and the greens are in great shape. Big thank you to the green staff. We have a large contingent of our core men's players engaged in The Lion Series which finishes late in May, along with pennants, this has left the clubhouse relatively empty on Saturdays. However members don't appear to be staying as they have in the past. We have extended the Scramble to encourage more participation until 12.30. To encourage members to stay on we will have a "best in the clubhouse" prize which will include a sleeve of "Oncore Elixir" Golf balls and 5 vouchers. There will also be a second prize. Watch this space.

In mentioning the new Oncore ball, members who have tried this ball absolutely loved. It performs at every part of the game from feel to strike.

Our Pennants Team is going gangbusters with 5 wins from 5 matches and leads the competition, with 2 rounds to go.

Coaching: Is still available on Mondays and Thursdays. Please book in the Pro Shop. Lessons start at 4.30pm.

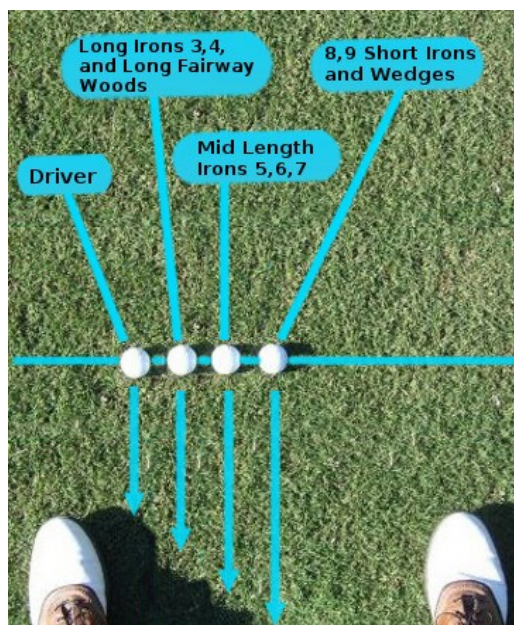
The Bream Bay Classic is coming up in July. We are looking for volunteers for course preparation as well as people for marshalling etc over the weekend.

Golf Tip: "If you're digging up half the earth when you swing, you're not only too steep, your grip pressure is too tight. Relax your hands and your divots will get thinner, and your ball flight will rise."

Have fun out there and Swing Smooth.

John Triggs; Mens Club Captain

Doug Shadbolt; Acting President.



FROM THE BAR MANAGER

Hi all,

The bar is now all upgraded including the new glycol system and running very smoothly. We have a few new low sugar options of low or no alcohol drinks, including sparkling water. Please try out some of these out – your feedback is appreciated for future buying.

The good news is that prices behind the bar will be staying the same.

See you on the 19th

John



MEMBERSHIP

New Members

Helen Gusterson 9 Hole

Mike Gusterson Pay as You Play

Dennis Solomon Full Playing

Denny Ovens Pay as You Play

Richard A Wilson 9 Hole - 1st year beginner

Changes:

Pearce Bresnehan From Short Term Casual to Full Playing

Reinstated:

Charles Lord Pay as You Play

Andrew Stevens Pay as You Play

Clint Bridger Pay as You Play

Margaret Wistrand 9 Hole

Gary Loughnan Pay as You Play

Des Scott Associate

Resignations:

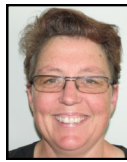
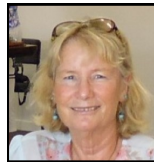
Pat Hall Full Playing



Free Guest Wifi now available in the clubhouse.

Password: 19thhole

FROM THE LADIES COMMITTEE



We had a very busy month in April with a lot of fixtures. Our team to represent Waipu in the National Teams Day on the 13th May at The Pines is Christine Raines, Julie Gordon, Mary Love, Margaret Pennington. Reserves are Frances Warren and Helen Wheldon.

Our National Home Links was played on the 11th April. Winners are Coronation Medal Lynne Causer. Aotearoa Cup. Dulcie Leech. Veterans Cup. Robyn Coutts. Gross Cup. Lynne Causer. These names have been forwarded to Golf Northland.

On the 22nd April we had our Waipu Liquor Centre Anniversary Tournament. We had 69 players.

9hole winners were Juanita McGoldrick 20, Runner up Gabrielle Carppe.

Ladies 18 Hole. Helen Wheldon 37, Runner up Kylie Jacoby 37

Men's White Tees Allen Baker 41. Runner up Stephen Maud 37.

Men's Blue Tees. Paul Irwin 43. Runner up Nathan Jacoby. 41.

Thanks to sponsors, and all helpers on the day.

On the 29th September the LPGA is being held at Windross Farm in Auckland. Helen Wheldon has all the information on this. Any interested parties please contact her if you wish to attend.

Happy Golfing

Christine and Julie



9 HOLE LADIES REPORT:

Getting good numbers of 9 hole ladies along each Tuesday and we had a good turn out of 7 for our Anniversary Tournament. Thank you to those ladies for supporting our club. Peter Buckland is setting up a 9 hole Mens group. At this stage they are looking at playing on Monday's (starting May 1st) at 8.30 so if you are keen come along or call Peter on 4328499 to discuss a better day and time. He is open to suggestions and what will work best for the most people. We are considering having a combined 9 holes Ladies and Mens once a month, so watch this space for more details. Tip of the Day: Work out what your having for dinner before you play, that way there is one less thing to think about while taking your backswing! Juanita

FROM THE VETS & QUADS



Another good turnout for our Vets scramble on Friday 7th April with 25 coming along.

The winners on the day for the men were: Roger Ogle scooping the pool with a 43, followed by Grant Weston, Luciano Canestri, Robbie Robertson and Peter Macks.

The ladies were: Marilyn Bresnehan with a 33 followed by Christine Raines.

May Vets is Friday 5th. Cards in by 9am for a 9.30am tee off. May Quads is at Mangawhai on Thursday 11th. Cards in by 9.30am for a 10am tee off.

June Vets is Friday 2nd, and Quads is Thursday 8th June at Waipu.

Vets is open to members for men over the age of 55 and ladies 50. Would love to see a lot more of you come along and join our day.

We have a raffle table on our Vets day so please don't forget to bring something along and donate to it. All proceeds go back into the golf club.

Good golfing to you all.
Jeannette

FROM THE SHOP LADIES



Raewyn Juanita Wendy Aimee Tracey Leonie

Lots of new items in the shop so make sure you have a look around. If you are looking for something in particular just leave a note for Aimee and she will do her best to source it for you. Keep an eye out for specials that will be happening as well. Also the board has decided that the shop will no longer be selling goods on behalf of members. If you have golf gear you want to sell the best way to go about this is Trade Me.

FROM THE GREENTEAM

Hi everybody

Just a short report this month to say thank you to Roger Ogle for all this time and effort in slicing our fairways, the kikuyu in the fairways continues to spread thanks to Roger's slicing.

Also thank you to Dick Pivac and his crew for repairing our washed out paths, very much appreciated.

That's all for now, happy golfing from
The Green Team John, Sarah & Harlem



MARSDEN LIONS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday 26th of May

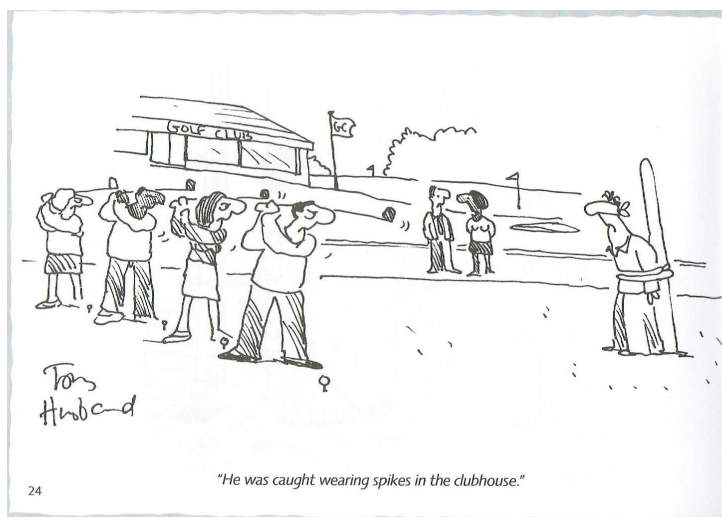
Registration from 8.30, tee off from 9am

Entry Fee \$75

Includes: green fees, bbq & drink, catered dinner

Great prizes

Format: Tournament will be played in Scramble with 4 person teams. If you do not enter a team list, you will be placed with others.



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Richard Wilson and Juanita McGoldrick brought Bream Bay Glass just over 3 years ago from Peter Blanch who retired.

Richard and Juanita were originally from Auckland where they both grew up out West in Titirangi and Glen Eden. After many years of working for others they decided to purchase a Four Square. They moved to Opotiki in 2005 and stayed for 3 years cutting their teeth in a small friendly store. They then purchased Waipu Four Square off Phil and Judy Green and survived 7 summers in the store. During this time they became heavily involved in the community supporting many community projects. The one Juanita is most proud of is being on the committee that fundraised and built the Celtic Barn. Taking 5 years to complete it is a great asset for the growing community. The Four Square was also proud sponsors of the Ambrose Tartan Golf Tournament while they owned the store.

Deciding it was time to step back from a 7 day a week business, but still wanting to stay in Waipu, they brought the Glass business. Peter trained Richard up on all the tasks required.

Richard has recently taken up golf and Juanita is the current 9 hole convenor.

Bream Bay Glass are available for all your glass needs including: broken windows, cat doors, ranchslider maintenance, locks, window stays, caravan windows. Also if you are locked out of home call Richard first! He will get you in in a jiffy!

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