Coringa News



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SATURDAY'S MATCH

This Saturday is an Stroke competition off the Black or White tees. The Blank Cup Trials continue, this week off the Black tees – for the first time! The Winter Ringers are now well underway, (see below for Kevin's report). There is also a weekly update of the Ringers scoring in the newsletter.
The Shootout applies for everyone in the match of the day as well.
Last week's raffle winners:
Phil Olsen (20); Russell McGregor (19); Clinton Chase (6); Rob Gillespie (36); Maurice Owen (31); John McCabe (22).

The proposed programme until the end of August is:

July	10	Sat	Stroke – Black or White tees. Rep Trial Process – Black tees. Shootout Winter Ringers
	13	Tue	Ladies - Stableford
	15	Thu	Ladies Men's Group – Par - Yellow tees
	17	Sat	Par – Black or Silver / White tees. Rep Trial Process – Black tees. **KORNZ Cup:** Alfa Group v Afternoon Mens from 11.30 a.m. Shootout Winter Ringers
	20	Tue	Ladies – Best Nett Trophy / Putt
	21	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT \ – Stableford – White/Silver Tees - 11 am start; $10 entry fee.
	22	Thu	Ladies – Stableford / NTP Men's Group – Stableford - Yellow tees
	24	Sat	Irish Stableford – Blue or White/Silver tees Final Rep Trial Process – Blue tees.

			Shootout Winter Ringers
	27	Tue	Ladies – Hidden Holes stableford
	28	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	29	Thu	Ladies - Stableford Men's Group – Team Stableford - Yellow tees.
	31	Sat	4BBB nett –White/Silver tees Urlwin Rosebowls Qualifying (16 pairs to qualfy). Shootout Winter Ringers – Final round
August	3	Tue	Ladies – Val Sutherland
	4	Wed	**Lone Star Group** WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees. 10.30 am start; ($15 entry fee.)
	5	Thu	Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men's Group – Stroke - Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees.
	7	Sat	Par – Blue or Silver / White tees Urlwin Rosebowl – 1st round Matchplay – on handicap (White tees – *lowest handicapper goes back to zero and others adjusted accordingly*).
	9	Mon	CANTERBURY VETS GOLF - Stableford – Course closed until 2:00 pm.
	10	Tue	Ladies – Best Nett Trophy
	12	Thu	Ladies – Stableford Trophy Men's Group – Stableford = Silver / White tees
	14	Sat	Stableford – Irons & Hybrid – Yellow tees Urlwin Rosebowl 2nd round Matchplay Shootout
	17	Tue	Ladies – Stableford / NTP
	18	Wed	WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – Silver / White Tees - 11 am start; $10 entry fee.
	19	Thu	Ladies - LGU Men's Group – Par - Yellow tees
	21	Sat	American Stableford – Silver / White tees Urlwin Rosebowl –Semi-finals (Silver / White tees) Shootout
	24	Tue	Ladies – Nett / Putting
	25	Wed	Ellesmere Watering Tournament
	26	Thu	Ladies – Match play Men's Group – Stableford - Yellow tees
	28	Sat	Stroke – Blue or Silver / White tees Urlwin Rosebowl Final Shootout
	31	Tue	Ladies – 4 Clubs + Putter

NOTE: As you can see from the programme the White and Silver tees are both in use and are equivalent courses. Which course you are playing on any day will be clear when you print your card. This is to spread the use of the tee blocks to allow time for natural repair.

WINTER RINGERS

The winters cold frosty mornings finally arrived with a vengeance last weekend, especially for those with earlier tee times participating in Round 5 of the Ringers competition. It took quite a

while for the fairways and greens to thaw out before the ball gained some extra metres on our drives and for the putts to roll out truly without the accumulation of icicles.

Again, we encountered soft underfoot conditions and with the greens frozen solid it made hitting them in regulation a bit of a lottery as to where the ball would end up after the wicked first bounce. This week saw Jonathan Kemp overtake take the lead from Alan Wicks and holds a slender lead of 0.7 on 55.2, with a net score improvement of 2.1. Alan had a net score improvement of 1.2. Followed in third by the biggest improver in the field David Cross who moved up 26 positions, a further 1.1 behind, with Chris Choie close by in fourth only 0.5 behind. The top 25 players are within a range of 7.0 strokes so there's plenty of room for those further down in the field to make huge inroads on the leaders in the coming weeks as those at the top find their improvement increments getting smaller each week with the need to accumulate birdies.
Last week saw another 7 birdies recorded by the Ringers field during the round with Mal Ashton grabbing three birdies in a space of four holes (#7,8 & 10) but the round was highlighted by the first eagle attained in the field by Brian Docherty on Hole # 6 (no mean feat). That brings the overall total to 63 birdies or better. Currently Mal Ashton has seven birdies, followed by Melissa Newburn with five birdies with six players, Chris Choie, Lex Halford, Paul Snape, Peter Marsh and Spencer Wicks each having four birdies.
The weather outlook for the weekend is looking okay with Saturday forecasted fine with a high of 10 with southwesterly winds after early morning -3 frost. Again, you'll have the choice of two tees to play off, Black or White.
See you out there on Saturday and Happy Golfing.
Kevin King
Ringers Organiser

BLANK CUP TEAM TRIALS
Conditions at the moment are very “winter” and the trial this week will be off the Black tees, so there is the challenge!!
Result / updates of the scoring is posted on the website.
Cheers
John Rademakers

CLUB NEWS
New Members
We welcome the following three new member this week:
Seung Choi Amber De Wit Kukchul Lee
Do not hesitate to ask from the pro shop or any of the members how the club functions and the different competitions we run throughout the week. Most importantly do enjoy your time at Coringa.

Pace of Play
Winter conditions do slow things down a little, BUT!
Four and a half hours (plus) last Saturday is still too long! Do make sure you are ON TIME and keep up with the four ahead. The Black tees this Saturday mean this is even more important.

Working Bee results
The usual hardy group of volunteers turned up on Tuesday and put in another good shift – see the new path on no 10 (the surface will cut up a little in the next couple of weeks but will after some rain will settle down, much as the path on no. 1 has). Great work all but special thanks to Russell McGregor and Paul Snape who oversaw the day and Mike de Wit (new member) who provided much of the gravel / crusher dust used for the path

Course Care

I know this is a repeated message - BUT IT STILL APPLIES!
With winter conditions now upon us try and keep away from any muddy patches with your trundlers and keep carts well away from greens and try not to drive between bunkers and the greens, especially in the marked off areas. If you can, park up behind the green.

As a player / member we need your help to keep the course in the best condition possible. The course committee would like to remind you that that this involves raking bunkers – (even if you didn't make the footprint), to repair any pitch marks – (even if they are not yours) and to carry a sand bucket and repair divots that you see – (even if they are not yours!)

Café News

For the colder winter months Soup will be available on the menu.

- A cup of homemade soup with a bread roll $5.50
- A bowl of homemade soup (2 ladles) with 2 bread rolls d $9.40

THE MEN'S REPORT

This Saturday, the 10th of July, is a Stroke competition off the Black or White tees, and the fourth round of the Rep Trial Process, put off the Back tees for the first time. This is not only for those in the trial – challenge yourself!

Last Saturday, the 3rd of July, the match of the day was a Stableford of the Blue or White tees. It was great to see 51 playing off the Blue tees and some excellent scores as well. Blue (Div 1) saw John Gaw pip Richard Kingsbury on a countback on 39 points and in Blue (Div 2) two visitors from Waimakariri Gorge took the top places each with 40 points! In the White divisions (38 entriies) it appeared that scoring was a little harder that the new Silver layout with only one player, Paul Carpinter, (the Div 1 winner), , managing better than 36 points . John Brettell with 34 was the best in Div 2. Congratulations to the new member Andrei Cotiga who walked away with the nearest the pin on 17, AND the Jackpot with twos on 7 & 17, ($92). Well done!
Well done to all the winners. The full results are available on the website.

Representative Team trials begin off Black and Blue tee
This week the trial will be off the Black tees, so be prepared!
The results are available on the website.

Upcoming events:

10th July	Representative Team trials continue.
17th July	KORNZ Cup. Stableford Match play with Alpha Group from 11.30. Put your name down on the sheet in the pro shop if you wish to be involved.
21st July	Rescheduled $15 Lone Star Group Tournament. Tee off times from 10:30am to 11:30am. Please mark this in your diaries, and don't be late!!
4th Sept	Club Championships - the first qualifying round is set down for the 4th of September and the finals day the 9th of October. More information to follow later in July.

Closest to the Pin:
We currently have sponsorship through to September 2021 but are actively looking for more people of come forward and have a turn. If there is anyone who would like to sponsor the $40 or provide the appropriate value prizes for the closest to the pin, could you approach James Willetts, Vance Heteraka, JB, Puds or myself.

Previous week (3 July)	Wing Gin
This Week (10 July)	Walter Scott

Next week (17 July) Derrick Xu

It's great to see after Derrick's good form in the Saturday competitions, he decided to return some of the money to the club!

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Comments have been made about the way the booking sheet is filling up each week. It is a great sign of the health of the club that so many are queuing up to play! The course is in remarkably good condition considering the winter weather we have been experiencing, SO get out there and enjoy your winter golf!

John Brettell

Deputy Men's Captain

LADIES REPORT

Weather permitting "She Loves Golf" that was supposed to be held a couple of weeks ago is all ready to proceed this Sunday the 11th of July, tee off time for this group is 10.42am. Sandy has sent out a detailed email about this event.

Saturday

Five players enjoyed another sun-filled afternoon game of golf. Play was quite slow due to the course being very busy. It's great to see the carpark so full.

1st and the monthly trophy was Myra Storey with 19 Stableford's. 2nd on count back was Ellen Buttress with 17 Stablefords and 3rd was Anne Keh also with 17 Stablefords.

Tee times for Saturday 10th July is 1pm and 1.10pm. Anyone wishing to join us please book on line in these slots

Sunday

Finally, a fine Sunday, but very frosty which made for some interesting golf.

1st, including the monthly trophy, was Anne Keh with 21 Stablefords This included 2 pars.

2nd on count back with 17 Stablefords was Anne Morgan

Closest to the pin was Anne Keh. This week's champ. Congratulations Anne

Tee times for next Sunday usual time of 10.30

Tuesday

Wow, what a lovely day we had on Tuesday for the midwinter game and feast. 20 played. This included four 18 holers. We played a group stableford. The weather was kind until about hallway through then a strong nor wester blew up and made for some challenging golf.

1st was Judith Wilson's group with 58 Stablefords - Judith, Cecilia Yon, Janice Healy and Myra Storey. They were helped along with Cecilia getting a Birdie. Congratulations Cecilia

2nd was Elaine McCowan's group with 52 Stablefords - Elaine, Janice McPhail, Ellen Buttress and Sandy Dermott

3rd was the 18holers with 48 Stablefords- Mary Kuppers, Loida Smart, Jane Gin and Edith Hook

The meal that followed was fantastic congratulations and a big thank you to the committee for putting on such an amazing spread. There were 42 for lunch and it was so good to see some old faces again.

Also thank you to Margret Sheppard for helping with the raffles and organising the past members to attend.

Thursday

Played for Stableford Trophy in very frosty conditions. Took a while to warm up.

1st was Leigh McEwen with 18 Stablefords, 2nd Janet Harland with 17 Stablefords and 3rd Sandy Dermott with 16 Stablefords.

Starting time/ tee time for both summer and winter on a Tuesday and Thursday is 9.30am

A small but dedicated group of 18-hole ladies play Tuesday and Thursday starting at 9am.
Anne Morgan

WEDNESDAY GOLF

Wednesday Watering Tournament:

This Wednesday I abandoned the **$15 'Lone Star / Joes Garage Group' Watering Tournament** with the forecast weather challenges. This tournament is rescheduled to be played on the **middle Wednesday of July, the 21st** .

I substituted a **$10 Tournament** as several members were keen on a game and it turned out to be the right decision as 21 players arrived and the weather was not that bad, with cool conditions and only the occasional period of drizzle. There were some outstanding scores with a regular participant, Gavin Walkinshaw, scoring his best round with 47 stablefords to win from Oliver Snape on 45, on a course and greens playing so well. Oliver played in my four and played so well showing the potential to be a very good golfer. Keep it up! The participants played for ten meat prizes from our friends at **New World Supermarket Bishopdale.**

The full results are on the website, but significant Coringa member results include:

2nd	Oliver Snape	45
3rd	David Harvey	40(C/B)
4th	Malcolm Wratt	40
6th	Paul Snape	37
7th	Murray Angus	36(C/B)
9th	Walter Scott	35
10th	Jimmy Anderson	34(C/B)

Please remember and make an effort to come to our substitute **$15 'Lone Star / Joes Garage Group' Watering Tournament** on the **21st July.**

Remember all the tournament starts at 10.30 a.m and are focused on getting people into the clubrooms not just playing golf!

THURSDAY MEN'S GROUP

A heavy frost meant a cold start, but the sun came out and it was a lovely morning until the SW breeze arrived and the temperature dropped fast. The match today was a Stableford off the White tees and with a couple of notable exceptions a field of 27 struggled in the conditions.

The full results are as follows:

1st	Phil Olsen	39 (becoming a habit!!!)
2nd	Jimmy Anderson	37(speaking of habits!!!)
3rd	Bill West	34
4th	Jerry Kuipers	34
5th	Alan Smith	34(an improvement on last week!!!!
6th	John Brettell	34

There were no two's today. Hoping the weather continues fine and look forward to next week.
Good golfing.
Chris Cottrell
For Thursday Men

AND NOW

Female Accountant

The owner of a golf course on the Gold Coast in Australia was confused about paying an invoice, so he decided to ask his secretary for some mathematical assistance.

He called her into his office and said, "You graduated from the University of Queensland and I need some help. If I was to give you $20,000, minus 20%, how much would you take off?

"The secretary thought for a moment and then replied.....

"Everything but my ear rings."

The spoils of hard work

A boss took one of his employees to show him his new sports car.
“That is amazing,” the employee was fascinated.
“That is true,” replied boss, “and if you set your new goals higher and work even harder, I can get an even better car next year”.

If any of you have news that would be appropriate for this newsletter, please email it me at: jfbrettell@gmail.com.
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