



If you have a nice photo of the course please feel free to send it to me for this spot

Newsletter

Issue September 2021

From the Management Committee

From the Presidents Chair

Reminder - AGM Monday, 4th October at 7:00pm

Welcome to new members

- John Angland
- Tom Brown
- Jake Browne
- Jon Derry
- Nathan Gee
- Ian Hannington
- Joshua Hunt-Wheeler
- David Jeffrey
- Jesse McGimpsey
- Hayden Milne
- Hannes Prinsloo
- Hordan Ryder
- Malcolm Ryder
- Jack Sanders
- Joe Simmonds
- Colin Smith
- Tim Stegehuis

Greens Convenor

Due to the Covid situation August has been somewhat quiet; this has given James and me the chance to complete our new practice area. We have installed the irrigation, sanded and levelled the practice green, seeded all worked areas and had the area sprayed with a coating which will protect the seed from washing out and help with germination.

The last stage of the project will be to plant out the bank to help hide the greens shed, and enhance the new area. We will also get the shed repaired and repainted, thanks to Tony Pye for offering to repair the shed and Carol Bates for offering to paint the shed.

Also, a big thankyou to Sharon Screen who has produced a fantastic planting plan and has offered to help with the plant spacing and guide the greens committee when we come to plant.

As usual a big shout out to all those people who have helped out on the course this month. This includes Murray Chapman, Brent Earnshaw, Mark Tentori, Tony Pye and Doug Elliot, your efforts are very much appreciated by James and myself.

Lastly I would like to thank James who through the covid lockdown has worked hard to ensure all critical work has been completed and maintain the course in great condition, as you would appreciate this work is a must during the spring flush when the grass doesn't stop growing!!

Craig Scott
Greens Convenor

House and Bar

Nothing new to report

Health & Safety

Keys

James Bull records show we have had 31 keys cut for the club; after asking committee members I can only account for 11 keys. If you are aware of anyone who has keys kindly ask them to return them to the office. As only committee members and staff have codes to the alarm this shouldn't be a security issue.

CCTV

I have approached my supplier but due to covid they are yet to visit the site, James Lee suggested after the trailer was stolen and then found that perhaps we need cameras around the green keepers shed?

From the Treasurer

If you do not intend to rejoin for the next financial year, please advise us in writing to admin@taitapugolf.co.nz by 30th September.

No changes to subscription prices this year.

- Full Men's \$470
- Full Women's \$445
- Men's or Women's Mid-week \$400
- Men's or Women's 9 Holes \$400
- Junior Membership \$85
- Non-playing membership \$35

2021/22 subscription invoices will be sent out in the first week of October – please pay before the 31st of October to avoid a late payment fee of \$50.

No discount will be offered for early payment but a \$50 administration fee will be charged for late payment or payment instalments

So if you want to pay by instalments – add \$50 to subscription cost and pay in 4 equal instalments over a maximum of 4 months (no longer) eg Full Men's – $\$470 + \$50 = \$520 \div 4 = \130 per month. You must advise that you are taking up this option. Please contact myself or Tracy if you are unsure.

All members who have not paid their subs by the end of November will be resigned from the club (and dot golf) to avoid the club having to pay their affiliation costs.

Tai Tapu Golf clubs affiliation fees to Canterbury golf last year were \$9367 and our NZ golf affiliation fees were \$11592 these are set the 1st of December each year with our current dot golf member list, hence the importance to have paid your sub in time and why we want all instalments for subs to be paid over a maximum 4 month period and not longer to avoid the club carrying these costs.

We will also be looking at a number of sponsorship opportunities over the next year. So if you have an interest in looking at our options – please contact Tracy admin@taitapugolf.co.nz or myself treasurer@taitapugolf.co.nz

Bevin Ryan
Treasurer

Tuesday Ladies

The Ladies Section has once again rescheduled their game of the day, being first round of the Championships, due to torrential rain on our first day back following 'lockdown'. A few hardy souls braved the weather and completed 9 holes, before the game was called off!!

Our rescheduled game coincided with the Annual General Meeting commencing with lunch before beginning the meeting at 3pm. On the completion of our meeting we still had no volunteers until Wednesday for Ladies Captain.

Ladies Captain – Adrienne Shadbolt

Vice Captain – Sharon Screen

Committee: Joy Harding, Jessie Dunstan, Carol Bates, Laurie Gould, Penny Coffey

We whole heartedly thank the previous committee including Tracy Wills, Dianne Gebbie and Sue Hart for all the work given to us over the past year.

Ladies Championships will be held on November 16th in conjunction with prize giving. Until then the 2021 committee will continue on and start orientating the new committee to their new roles.

Julie Livesey

Ladies Captain (outgoing)

Wednesday group

No report due to lockdown and lack of games/news

Saturday Men

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From the office

I would like to thank all members who have abided by the COVID-19 protocols that have been put in place. It is very nice to see both members and green fee players coming to the window with their masks on and scanning in or writing their names on the COVID register. I know it is unusual not to come into the office to print your own cards, or record your scores, but it gives me that little bit extra of exercise walking back and forth to the printer (getting my steps up).

What a mixed bag of weather we have had since reopening. It is great to see so many people out enjoying the sunshine and nice days and also surprising to see the number of people that still come out and enjoy our course in some of the rather inclement weather we have had.

To James and his team of merry men, I want to pass on the many compliments I hear of "what a lovely course you have."

Some of my happy moments over the last month have been, seeing the trees in blossom, the lovely green strips on the fairway after James has mown, seeing a couple start their nine hole walk holding hands and watching mama duck and her ducklings waddling across the number one fairway.

If you have contributions that you want to make to the newsletter please feel free to contact me via admin@taitapugolf.co.nz

I missed this little snippet from last month's newsletter – so belatedly enjoy it.

The dire hard cricket fans at the club were spoilt and surprised when club member Willie Nichols made an impromptu visit last Saturday with the ICC World test trophy that the Black Caps won.

Back in June news headlines read: "New Zealand are ICC World Test Champions after beating India inside the final hour of a nail-biting reserve day at the Hampshire Bowl, South Hampton."



The club would like to congratulate member and Black Caps star Henry Nichols for his part in New Zealand winning this coveted trophy.

Also a big thank you to Willie for bringing the trophy for a quick visit to our club during its busy tour around New Zealand.

Summertime Classic – Feb 2022

This committee is going to be headed by Murray Chapman.

To all you go-getters out there offers of interest to assist on the committee are being sought.