

GENERAL MANAGERS UPDATE

Spring has arrived and with it the changeable weather! This has made life difficult for some of our early summer Golf activities but I am sure it will come right. There is a lot currently happening around the Club and there is plenty more in the lead in to Xmas.

Things we have coming up include; The Pro's Day, The Men's B Grade Championship, The Women's Annual Dinner, Closing Day and Xmas Cheers. Read further through this newsletter to find out about how you can be involved in these events.

We have also recently started the Discover Golf programme again after initiating this three years ago. It has proved popular with 24 Women registered to do this month long coaching programme. We are hoping a number of them will join our Club after this has finished and if you see them around the Club, please make them feel welcome!



Andre, Alan, and Regan are delivering the coaching and they are doing a great job! Over the last three year's we have gained around 75 new members, so hopefully we get more this year!

Twilight has started again on Fridays. These nights are fantastic evenings down here at the Club, make sure you book in for Friday dining, bring the family down for a bit of Golf and great food!

Good luck to all those who will be playing on Vodafone Club Champs finals day this Sunday 6 November. Finals day is a special day and it is a great effort to make a Club Champs final within your grade. Spectators are more than welcome to come down and watch the finals of which the major ones are played over 36 holes. Prize giving will be in the clubhouse around 4.30pm – 5.00pm.

For now, happy Golfing!

Mike Williams

PROPOSED CATEGORY CHANGES UPDATE

As you are aware the Committee has been working on changing membership categories to allow for 'Equal Playing' rights for both men and women at the Club. On September 19 an information evening was held with approximately 90 in attendance and a proposal was presented to members. Since that meeting, the Committee has assessed the feedback received from that night, consulted with various other members via email and engaged an expert in 'Equality in Sport' Dr. Geoff Dickson from AUT in Auckland. A second information evening was held on Tuesday 25th October to present the revised proposal and we thank those who attended this second meeting.

One of the major talking points at the meeting held on September 19 and in further consultation with members was 'the processes' for implementing this change. The Committee has decided to implement these changes without the need for an SGM. The Committee has spent hours and hours of their time researching the topic and discussing the best way forward for the Club. The Committee is charged with looking after the future of the Club – both membership & finances amongst other things. The Committee strongly feels a move to gender equality is imperative. We cannot expect to attract new women members if they are restricted to playing during just a small time period on Saturday mornings. Likewise we need to attract new and younger members who may be intolerant to the sort of bias that currently exists. This move now allows men and women, whether couples or friends, to play golf together on Saturdays. Consequently the Committee has made some slight changes to the first proposal and these will be implemented from January 1, 2017. The full document was emailed to all members on 27th October, and can be found on the members section of the Club website.

The following table shows the 'old' categories and what the 'new' equivalent will be. In many cases the only change is the name of the category. Please note subscription levels for 2017 have not yet been set so the 2016 level has been transferred across to assist with clarity of changes.

Existing Category	2016 Sub	Proposed new Category	2017 Sub	Playing Rights
Full Men	\$1,135	7 Day	\$1,135	Full playing rights **
Full Ladies	\$935	7 Day for those wishing to play anytime Saturday	\$1,135	Full playing rights **
		Restricted Saturday Women for those who wish to continue only playing Saturday morning in reserved times	\$935	Full playing rights except on Saturdays where members of this category can only play between 8.33am and 8.47am
		6 Day for those wanting to play Tues comp	\$935	Play all week except Saturday**
Mid-Week Men	\$935	6 Day	\$935	Play all week except Saturday**
Non Competition	\$755	5 Day	\$755	Play all week except Sat & Tues for women or Sat & Wed for men
Country	\$740	No Change	\$740	Full playing rights **
U 30	\$695	No Change	\$695	Full playing rights ** (Women in this category can now play all day Saturday)
U 25	\$475	No Change	\$475	Full playing rights ** (Women in this category can now play all day Saturday)
Tertiary	\$360	No Change	\$360	Full playing rights ** (Women in this category can now play all day Saturday)
Full Junior	\$325	No Change	\$325	Full playing rights ** (Women in this category can now play all day Saturday)
Restricted Junior	\$100	No Change	\$100	Play 7 days except during competition times
9 Hole	\$630	No change	\$630	Play 1 x 9 Holes per day all week **
Senior 9 Hole	\$450	No change	\$450	Play 1 x 9 Holes per day all week except Saturday**
Social/Non Playing	\$68	No Change	\$68	Green Fee play only
	**	Tues am 9-10 ,Wed am 8.30-9, Wed 11am-3pm reserved for Women, Mixed 9 hole & Men competitions respectively. Also observe times when start sheet is closed per membership book & for Corporate events		
		Sat pm after 3.30 is open to all 7 day members as per the startsheet		

OUTCOME OF THE PROPOSED 2 DEGREES TOWER & SGM CANCELLATION

As you will be aware the Club recently cancelled an SGM to vote on the construction of a telco tower and lease of land to 2 Degrees Limited. The reason for this cancellation was due to Wallace Development Company objecting to the Golf Club's/2 Degrees planned location of this tower. Their objection was based upon their future plans for the old Massey Teachers College land.

The Club decided to cancel the SGM in order to work with a proposed new deal put forward by Wallace Development Company. On 26 October an arrangement with Wallace Development Company was signed which will see Wallace Development Company pay the Golf Club \$9000.00 plus GST per annum for 24 years. When the first section on Wallace Development's land is sold (approximately two years away) the balance of the 24 years will be paid out in one lump sum.

In return the Golf Club has agreed to not enter into any agreements that will see a telco tower constructed within 150M of the boundary of Wallace Development's land or 250M of the initial proposed site at the back of the 11th hole. Therefore we will not be proceeding with the 2 Degrees tower at the back of the 11th green.

The committee deem this to be a good outcome for the Golf Club.

Peter McRedmond - President on behalf of the Committee

PRO GROUP B GRADE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Entries are now open for the PRO GROUP MANAWATU B GRADE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP scheduled to take place **Sunday November 20**. Register on the Club's website (Play Golf/Tournaments & Events page).

1. There are over \$3000 worth of prizes including TITLEIST PRO V1 golf balls with all voucher prizes.
2. Tee off for the morning 9 holes will be 8.30am. Lunch will take place immediately after the morning round and we will be aiming for an 11.45am tee off for the 18 hole afternoon round. This would suggest that most players will be back in the clubhouse by 4.15pm absolute latest.
3. In the event of a playoff the participants will play part of hole 18 as a long par 3. A distance from the fairway to the flag will be decided on before the day, everyone will be notified of that distance. It may well not be necessary then to take a full set of clubs back down the 18th. A quick, but fair resolution is what we are seeking.
4. The field will be limited to 64 prepaid entries.
5. There will be a raffle on the day for a very good prize, tickets \$5, cash only accepted.

John R Garrett - Tournament Director

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MEN'S SHOOTOUT FINAL – SUNDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2016

The Men's shootout final for 2016 was played on Sunday 30th October in fine weather which switched from warm to cold whenever cloud came over. In a slight change from 2015, 8 qualifying stableford scores were required as opposed to net scores. A combined tally of 302 or 14 stableford points over par was required to make the finals.

Fifty five golfers entered this year's competition. Top qualifier was Anthony White with 319 or 31 stableford points over par. Notable happenings this year were Neil Haggarty chipping in on consecutive holes (12 & 13), Alan Savell had the only out-of-bounds (on the 10th) and the lack of play-offs required to determine hole elimination (5 in total).

Playing the last 3 holes were Simon Burton, John Symon, Mark Smith and Ray Barnett. On the 16th John Symon duffed his tee shot but played an excellent recovery shot followed by 2 putts. Short putts by Ray and Simon resulted in a chip-off from beside the bunker. Simon left his widest of the flag and was eliminated. On the 17th John Symon put his tee shot into the pine tree left and struggled all the way to the green. Mark Smith dispelled his 28 handicap to be only 3m from the flag for 2 and eventually made 4 net 2! John Symon made 7 net 5 to be eliminated. On the 18th Ray Barnett hit a fine drive to the middle of the fairway less than 120m out. Mark Smith's 2nd ended up embedded in the upper face of the last fairway bunker and had a tricky side on shot to get for 3. Ray's 2nd was flag high but just off the left of the green. Mark chipped and one putt for 5 while Ray 3 puttered to also score 5. A lucky escape for Mark! On the resulting chip-off from in front of the clubhouse Mark Smith prevailed in chipping closest and thus became the 2016 Shoot-out champion.

Thanks to Warren Williams who came out of retirement to help run the day and Ian Anderson for being present to make a number of rulings.

Those interested in entering next year's competition which starts from the 1st Saturday after opening day can do so via paying \$30 at the office. The Match committee will announce the playing conditions before next season but the requirement for 8 counting stableford scores will most likely continue.



Shoot-out 2016 hole data

Hole	Hole Net scores							Eliminated	Play-off
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
1			2	9	6	1	1	Alan Vonk	N
2			2	9	5	1	1	Lew Hirini	N
								Rodney	
3			4	10	2		1	Thomas	N
4	1	1	13	1				Leigh Thomas	N
5			1	4	7	2	1	Ghee Tan	N
6				8	1	4	1	Anthony White	N
7				4	5	2	2	Bill Barber	Y
8		1	7	3	1			Ian Bevins	N
9			4	6	1			Bert Chang	N
10			3	6		1		Alan Savell	N
11		1	5	2	1			Phil Belk	N
								Brent	
12			3	3	1	1		Cawthray	N
13		1	2	4				Pete Stewart	Y
14			1	3		1	1	Neill Haggarty	N
15					3	2		Gus Fowler	Y
16		1	3					Simon Burton	Y
17		1		1	1			John Symon	N
18				2				Ray Barnett	Y



Pro's Day

Saturday 5th November we have our World Famous Beat the pros day this is your chance to see if you and a partner have the game to beat us!!!!!! We have thousands of dollars worth of prizes to give out. Here is how the day works:

- **Two person Ambrose** whereby each player **must contribute a minimum of 6 tee shots each** (these can be taken at any stage in the round) The other 6 tee shots can be chosen from either player.
- Both players tee off on each hole. The best of the tee shots is selected and both players play their second shots from that spot. The best of the second shots is determined, then both hit their third shots from that spot, and so on until the ball is holed.
- Each shot must be played no nearer the hole and within 6 inches of where the selected shot lay. In placing the ball, you may not change the condition of the shot. If the ball is in a hazard or rough, both players must play their shot from the hazard or rough, respectively
- Competition is your **Nett score** Vs Alan & Regan's **Gross score** so please finish every hole.
- There are two divisions, and even if we win we will still give out the whole prize table.

If your Nett score beats our gross score you are guaranteed a prize!!!!!! This is an awesome day with a format we don't get play to often so make sure you enter either on the website or through the shop. Spots are running out fast!!!!!!

Staff changes

On Friday 4 November we have a new apprentice Golf professional joining the team. He is Ben Harwood who will be transferring over from Maraenui Golf Club in Napier. Ben is a second year trainee and is really looking forward to starting work at the Manawatu Golf Club. When you see Ben around make sure you welcome him.

A big thank you to Christine Rose who in August added on the Pro Shop to her duties as well as part time in the office. She has been a big help to the Club during this time by 'multi-tasking'! Christine will continue to work in the office and you may see her down in the Pro Shop again when people are away or we are extra busy. Thank you Christine.

Titleist Fitting Day – 10 November

On the 10th of November we will be holding a Fitting day for the New Titleist 917 Drivers & Fairway woods. This Driver holds the Longest Drive on the PGA Tour for the 2015-16 Season. The driver was released on tour in a prototype form for the world's best golfers to try in June 2016. In August Justin Thomas hit a drive that measured 414 yards (what's that in meters you ask, just a mere 378 meters) with the Titleist 917.

This is great opportunity to test out the latest golf product. Bookings are essential. So to make a booking for this day book through the golf shop, we have limited times available so we suggest you book in fast.

Alan Hyatt – Director of Golf

TWILIGHT GOLF

Twilight Golf is back and great value at only \$5 for members, \$10 for affiliates and \$15 for non-members. Tee off between 3.00pm and 5.30pm for 9 holes. You can make up your own group or just turn up and join others. Your proper handicap will be used this year and the Twilight tees are red for men and orange for women.



Simply pop into the Pro Shop when you arrive, print your scorecard through the card machine (just like you would for a normal round of Golf) and pay your entry fee at the Pro Shop counter. Non-members should go directly to the Pro Shop counter to register.

When you go to the touch screen it will ask if you want to enter Twilight. Once you hit 'yes' you will need to select the front 9 or back 9. Please ensure you know which 9 you are going to play before printing your card!

After the round, enter your scorecard as normal into the card room touch screen and leave your scorecard in the cardboard box labelled 'Twilight'. Non members will just leave their card in the box and the organisers will enter it. Results will be done upstairs between 7.45pm and 8.30pm depending on numbers.

Thanks to the Mad Butcher who are kindly on board again as a sponsor and providing vouchers for the winners.



CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

Saturday 1 October, the Saturday Men's field played for the highly sought after Craigs Investment Partners Tankard. This was won by morning player Ghee Tan, who had a superb round of 45 pts. Runner up was John Stevens with another top round and 44 pts. Conditions were fantastic until late in the day, and the scoring reflected that, with the Pros comp only going down to 37 pts. Fortunately, most of the PM field got in before the humungous thunder storm and heavy rain.

On Friday 7th, the Accountants held their annual tournament at MGC. The undoubted highlight was an absolutely brilliant round of 63 by Ewan Westergaard. See below.

Played 7/10/2016 at Manawatu Tee: Blue										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT
Gross	4	3	4	3	4	4	5	3	4	34(34)
Par	4	4	4	3	5	4	5	3	4	36
Distance	350	336	321	121	471	395	472	178	307	2951
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
4	2	4	3	4	4	2	3	3	29(29)	63 (63)
4	3	4	4	5	5	3	4	4	36	72
356	131	340	352	439	415	131	342	314	2820	5771

Breakdown of Round

Eagles/Better (0)

Birdies (9)

Par (9)

Bogey (0)



Ghee Tan - Craigs Investment Partners
Tankard winner

The Shootout has now been held (see the report in the newsletter). Thanks to Richard for the humungous amount of work you put into the results during the year, and also for helping Warren run the actual shootout. To Warren Williams for your role on the day, and Ian Anderson for being the rules official, these days don't work without people like you. Really appreciated by all 19 who started the day. The pool for all the players would not have been anywhere near what it was without the fantastic support of Vonky and Rodders – the "Raffle Boys", who kindly made a very generous contribution to the day.

Saturday 5th sees the annual Pros Day, always a highlight. Good luck to all.

This Sunday is finals day. Please make an effort to come down early arvo when everybody will be playing and give all our finalists your support. The players really enjoy having people watching and it adds to the occasion. The forecast looks reasonable, at this stage!!

A reminder to all the Saturday Men, that Saturday 12 November is Mens Trophy presentation day, where the year long running events culminate in trophies being awarded. If you think you have been consistently good, then make sure you are there, you never know, you just might get a nice trophy.

Brent Cawthray – Club Captain

2016 MANAWATU B GRADE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

SUNDAY 20th NOVEMBER

27 HOLE STABLEFORD

ENTRY FEE \$40 (INCLUDES LUNCH)

HANDICAP INDEX 8.8 - 22.5

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Entries close 5pm Tuesday 15th November



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JUNIOR INTERCLUB CAPTAINS CUP

The Captains Cup was played over two rounds in Taupo Golf Club, first round was played at Tauhara Golf course Sunday afternoon, and the second was played at Centennial Golf course Monday morning.

The team consisted of: Sam Smith, Kale Idemaru, Ethan Dodds, Lily Griffin, Zain Ali and Eric McKee.

The Cup was won by Paraparaumu Beach Golf Club for the third time in a row. All the teams played very well, and enjoyed great weather and the two golf courses.

With a little bit of time to kill before going out to dinner the team decided to go and have a crack at the hole in one challenge. After a few shots to work out their club selections, the team were all zeroing in on the pontoon and for every strike you got a free ball, which kept us there for nearly three quarters of an hour.

After the round and prizegiving on Monday afternoon we all hit the hot pools for a relaxing soak before hitting the road to come home.

The team would like to thank Rodney Smith and Craig Dodds for taking us and looking after us. And the Manawatu Golf Club for the use of the van and providing accommodation and the Saturday afternoon raffle team for providing the fuel.

Sam Smith



REPRESENTATIVE MATCHPLAY RESULTS

Over the last month a number of the Club's members have been involved in various representative competitions. Here is a summary of their results.

Boys Junior Interprovincial at Cambridge (Manawatu-Wanganui came 10th overall)

In matches against Waikato, North Harbour, Eastland, Otago and Northland (Bay of Plenty was washed out) Sam Smith playing at number 8 had 3 wins and 2 losses, Jamie Connell playing at No. 5 had 2 wins, 2 losses and a half, Campbell McHugh playing at No. 3 had 4 losses and a half and Greg Shaw playing at No.1 had 5 losses.

Womens Interprovincial at Rotorua (Manawatu-Wanganui came 6th overall)

In matches against Auckland, Northland, Wellington, Bay of Plenty and North Harbour Lily Griffin playing at number four had 2 losses and 3 wins and Mudra Lakhani playing at number two had 4 losses and 1 win.

Shand Cup at Levin

At the Shand Cup held this year at Levin four club members were involved in the Senior Men team, Greg Shaw at No 8, Guy Perry at No 7, Reid Perry at No 6 and Regan McConaghty at No 4. In the women's team were Lily Griffin (No 8), Rebecca Hopper (No 6), Mudra Lakhani (No 5) and Tania Hook (no 2). Overall the Senior men came 2nd 1 point behind Wellington, while the Women also came 2nd 3 points behind Hawkes Bay. Surprisingly no Manawatu Club members made the Junior team with Greg Shaw playing for the first time in the Senior team and Campbell McHugh away in Australia.

Versus Hawkes Bay

Greg Shaw v Liam Brown won 9&8
Guy Perry v Kaleb Tawera square
Reid Perry v Taine Manaena won 3&2
Regan McConaghty v Madison Noakes won 4&3
Lily Griffin v Nicole Aluni won 3&2
Rebecca Hopper v Martha Manaena lost 6&5
Mudra Lakhani v Janie Feild lost 6&4
Tania Hook v Tessa McDonald lost 1 down

Versus Taranaki

Greg Shaw v James Malone won 2up
Guy Perry v Fletcher Broderick lost 7&6
Reid Perry v Joseph Doyle Square
Regan McConaghty v Travis Stewart won 3&2
Lily Griffin v Melanie Wilson lost 2 down
Rebecca Hopper v Joanne McDonald won 1 up
Mudra Lakhani v Tineka Kumeroa lost 4&3
Tania Hook v Tyla Winter won 1up

Versus Wellington

Greg Shaw v Adam Church lost 4&2
Guy Perry v Dean Gray lost 5&4
Reid Perry v Brad Rowland Square
Regan McConaghty v EJ Nicolson lost 4&2
Lily Griffin v Tira Habib won 6&5
Rebecca Hopper v Alannah Braybrook lost 4&2
Mudra Lakhani v Mia Scrimgeour won 2 up
Tania Hook v Erica Cui lost 3&1

Toro Interprovincial

After the Manawatu Open the Men's Toro squad to play in New Plymouth from November 29th was named with Greg Shaw, Regan McConaghty from our club named in the team. Rhys Watkins was initially named but withdrew for family reasons.

Named in the Women's team to play Hawkes Bay on October 30th at Manawatu Golf Club were Tania Hook, Mudra Lakhani, Rebecca Hopper and Lily Griffin.

WOMENS GOLF

One month to go and what a busy one it will be.

Sunday 30th October is the Manawatu-Wanganui versus Hawkes Bay and we wish our team of Tara Raj, Tania Hook, Jill Hall, Mudra Lakhani, Rebecca Hopper, Lily Griffin, Lisa Cotton and Jenny Ritchie all the best (Leanne Brown was unavailable for selection). We have four of our own members in the team of which we can be very proud.

On the 10th October the Sybil Green was played at Levin and the team finished 2nd.

The Manawatu Wanganui Junior Girls finished a creditable 6th place at Rotorua. Well done to Mudra and Lily and Tara who travelled to Rotorua as part of the team.

We have finished all our LGU Rounds now and Lorraine is busy compiling all our results as we come to the end of the season. There are still a few matches to be played.

The Championship Finalists are now warming up for the big day on Sunday 6th November and we look forward to supporting them on this day. The Intermediate flight will also be played on this day. While some great championship matches played extra holes Jeanette Gain had a hole in 1 on the 11th Hole against Jill Clifton, so that was compensation for losing on the 19th. Congratulations to Jeanette.

Senior Championship Final: Tania Hook - Toni Burnley 36 Holes

Intermediate Championship Final: Jill Clifton - Marie Buckman 36 Holes

Junior Championship Final: Jules Honore - Barbara Stuckey

We wish all these girls good golfing.

Sunday 13th November is the Champion of Champions and the Rosebowl at Rangatira Golf Club. Another big day for the Silver Winner, the Intermediate Winner and Runner up, and the Junior Champion. It would be great if they had a few supporters up there for this day. We scooped the pool last year at Foxton. Maybe we can do it again.

The Tuesday Committee recently donated \$1000 to the Club for the creation of a new garden by the 4th tee. Thanks ladies, this has been completed and looks fantastic.



Dates to diarise;

5th Nov. Professionals Day

6th Nov. Men and Women Club Championship Finals Day

8th Nov. Christmas Cheer for mid-week women.

10th Nov. Women's Shootout

12th Nov. Saturday Closing

15th Nov. Mid-Week Closing

16th Nov. Women's Annual Dinner

So get that Programme book out and mark all these dates that concern you.

WOMENS GOLF

The Women's Annual Dinner will start at 6pm with a drink, then our meeting and presentation of LGU Medals and All combined Mid-week and Saturday 18 Hole Members Prizes followed by a dinner at a cost of \$35. There will be some entertainment I'm told. This a fabulous evening and we would like as many as possible to attend. Your payment can be made at the office by Friday 11th November. Any special food requirements please let the office know when you pay.

The biggest day in the month of October was the Women's Charity Pairs Day. We shifted the date to the 20th as the 6th clashed with Otaki's Open Day. This really worked well. We had a field of 80 Pairs who thoroughly enjoyed the new format of 6x6x6 playing their own game. We did this as there are many foursomes at this time of the year and visiting players who come to our course really like the challenge of playing their own game. And the numbers were up on last year. Thanks to Andre in the Pro Shop for suggesting this format and setting it up for us. The results were so easy. Congratulations to winners Helen Weber and Elizabeth Lander. Helen played out of her skin that day and managed a mean total of 49 pnts. And so lucky she had a partner who didn't let her down, especially in the multiplying section.



Helen Weber and Elizabeth Lander

Now the biggest thanks go to all our women members for their generosity in giving prizes, raffles etc. The tables looked amazing. We had cheques from members as well as the Saturday Women's Committee who gave us a cheque for \$100 as did Stuart Jenkinson Panelbeaters. Mitre 10 and Palmers Garden World came on board as well. I would also like to thank our Senior 9 Holers for all their work in running the chipping comp and making a profit of \$150. Thanks to Megan Williams for suggesting the Blue Light Charity and the box of balls. Constable Grant Watts gave us an insight into what the Charity does and was amazed at our cheque of \$1766. Many many thanks to the Tuesday Committee Ladies who did a grand job of having everything in place for the day. The Café did an amazing job of a quick turn around as they had I think, 5 functions on that day. It is so pleasing when I hear them say just leave it to us. They are the best. As are the Greenkeepers. We had so many praises for the course from our visitors. It was good timing as on the Sunday previous the Manawatu Open was held and the course was at its best. And last but not least thanks to Melanie and Michael in the office for all their work.

Looking forward to the Championships on Sunday 6th November and especially the Dinner on the 16th November.

Angela Pivac - Women's Club Captain

MORTGAGE LINK MANAWATU OPEN - SUNDAY 16 OCTOBER

The Mortgage Link Manawatu Open was played on October 16 with about 100 players participating. Typical Manawatu spring winds provided a real test for the players.

The Men's title was decided in a sudden death playoff after two players, Manawatu's Ewan Westergaard, and Palmerston North's Rhys Harold tied at 2 over 146 after the two rounds. Westergaard made a solid par on the par 4 18th hole used in the playoff, against Harold's bogey 5, to take the title. In 3rd place and just one shot back was last year's winner, Regan McConaghty, followed by Manawatu's Trent Munn and Reid Perry, both another shot back. Reid Perry had the day's lowest round with a 2 under par 70 in round 1.

In the Women's division Wellington youngster Darae Chung cruised to victory with a pair of 77's to finish seven shots clear of Waitemata's Bridget Connelly. Wanganui's Tara Raj was the best of the locals in 3rd on 163, followed by Mudra Lakhani a further shot back.

A big thank you to Mortgage Link Manawatu for their sponsorship of the event again. The tournament this year became part of the New Zealand Order of Merit for the first time which helped attract a top class and full field. Thank you to John Garrett who was tournament director for the day, Ian Anderson and Grayson Joines for being the on course referees, also Marg Scott, Angela Pivac, Rodney Thomas and Richard Shaw for their help.

2016 Manawatu Open

Pos	Men	R1	R2	Gross	Net	Handicap
1=	Ewan Westergaard	73	73	146	146	0
1=	Rhys Harold	74	72	146	142	2
3	Regan McConaghty	71	76	147	149	1
4	Trent Munn	72	76	148	148	0
5	Reid Perry	70	78	148	146	1
12	Guy Perry	77	78	155	157	1
14	Greg Shaw	78	79	157	157	0
15	Rhys Watkins	77	80	157	157	0
18	Tim Berry	79	79	158	150	4
24	Ben Clutterbuck	75	85	160	160	0
34	Jamie Connell	83	84	167	153	7
36	Matt Francis	81	86	167	161	3
40	Kaleb Idemaru	83	86	169	151	9
41	Simon Fowler	81	88	169	155	7
50	Michael Williams	91	81	172	160	6
52	Richard Shaw	86	87	173	149	12
54	Steven Bamford	81	92	173	159	7
57	Martyn Nail	82	93	175	159	8
58	Rodney Thomas	89	87	176	148	14
59	Bert Chang	89	88	177	161	8
62	Lachlan Hook	89	89	178	156	11
63	Sam Smith	89	90	179	155	12
65	Chris Edsall	91	89	180	158	11
68	Mike Hallam	86	97	183	159	12
69	Scot Crawford	90	96	186	160	13
70	Ethan Dodds	90	99	189	173	8
71	Eric McKee	93	99	192	170	11
73	William Leipnik	100	99	199	169	15
75	Doug Muir	104	111	215	165	22

Pos	Women	R1	R2	Total	Net	Handicap
1	Darae Chung	77	77	154	154	0
4	Mudra Lakhani	80	84	164	146	8.4
5	Tania Hook	84	83	167	153	6.6
8	Rebecca Hopper	92	85	177	151	11.3
11	Lily Griffin	89	96	185	157	12.5
13	Megan Williams	89	100	189	157	14.3



Tournament winners Ewan Westergaard and Darae Chung with Club President Peter McRedmond

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**SATURDAY
15th
OCTOBER**

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Academy intake for 2016/2017

The Manawatu Golf Club Academy has just recently had a new intake for the 2016/17 year. A number of players in the past 12 months have moved further afield which meant the Academy needed to be rejuvenated with a new influx of players. Examples of players that have moved away are; Josh Munn to Melbourne to further his Golf career, Josh Sedgwick to Auckland University for study.

The new 2016/17 Academy members are as follows;

GREG SHAW
JAMIE CONNELL
REGAN McCONAGHTY
MUDRA LAKHANI
KALEB IDEMARU
ETHAN DODDS
ERIC McKEE
SAM SMITH
LILY GRIFFIN

Keep an eye out on the next newsletter for profiles of these Academy members.

We also have a new Academy uniform on the way for the players.

Academy Fundraising Day postponed

On Saturday October 15 the Academy was due to run its fundraising day but due to the weather it was decided to postpone it. A new date of December 10 was previously advertised but it was discovered that this is the Feilding Interclub day so this will not work. We will now look to run this day in 2017 and will advise members of when this will take place.

Sponsorship

John Garrett has taken over the Chairmanship of the Academy and will be approaching sponsors shortly. If you would like to be involved, please contact John.



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Red Nose Day Charity Golf and Dinner

In association with *SetSale NZ Fundraising, Youth Diabetes* and
Red Nose Family Fun Day (fund-raising for *Cure Kids*)

Friday 18th November 2016

Manawatu Golf Club, Palmerston Nth

\$100.00 per person, Includes:

Red Nose BBQ Sizzle (from 11.00am)

18 Holes of Competition Golf (Individual Stableford Format)

19th Hole Sponsors Happy Hour

Two Course Dinner & Prize-giving Function

Charity Auction & Live Entertainment

SPONSORS PACKAGE (18 available only) = \$500.00

INCLUDES THE ABOVE **X 4** ENTRIES, PLUS

HOLE SPONSOR FOR THE DAY / CLUB AND COURSE SIGNAGE / EVENT
MARKETING AND SOCIAL MEDIA / INVOICED ("CHARITY DONATION") RECEIPT
AND FORMAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SUPPORT.

Please contact the events committee ASAP to secure your space/s:

SetSale NZ Fund-raising & Events Coordinator - (021) 757223 - setsalenz@gmail.com

MIXED 9 HOLE

A busy month has been had by the Nine Holers. Club Champs matches are being played and some of our new players doing well. Down to the semis now.

We had our "Jacket Roadie" which was played in torrential rain and wind at Paraparaumu Beach Course. Men's winner was Murray Crawford and the Ladies winner was Judy Crawford. Well done the Crawfords you really deserved to win playing in those elements.

On Monday 17 October we had our Open Day with 120 players from 15 different clubs. This was a very successful day with great raffles thanks to our members. A great team did a great job, thanks to you all.

Congratulations to Barbara MacDonald and Margaret Foss on getting 2nd in the 18 Hole Charity Tournament. Well done.

Some of our members went to Open Days at Kapiti and Carterton, enjoying these courses.

Colleen Fraser



Alex McRobert
Hole in One



Murray & Judy Crawford

COURSE REPORT

Under 2 months to go until Christmas as the year continues to fly by. October has been usual spring weather with all four seasons in a day at times. The greenkeepers wish all members who are playing the in Club Champs well and continue to do so. We hope all members who entered the Manawatu Open enjoyed their experiences and results went their way.

The greens have had a wetting agent applied, been fertilised and also top-dressed as per the maintenance program. Greens have a dense cover and are rolling smooth and consistent.

Tees and surrounds have been fertilised and also have a good cover of turf. Surrounds have been sprayed for weeds.

Fairways have all been sprayed for weeds as well as fertilised and remain in great condition.

Overall the golf course is in great condition and the greenkeepers hope all members and visitors are enjoying the conditions.

Please remember to repair pitch marks and replace all divots.

Quote: *"The reason the Pro tells you to keep your head down is so you can't see him laughing!"*

Enjoy your month of golf.

Kiel Stechman – Greenkeeper

NEW MEMBERS

The Committee would like to confirm their acceptance to the Club of the following new members who applied in September 2016.

Full playing men – Blair Willson, Pat Nolan, Patrick Handcock, Andrus Lei

Country Men – Aaron Kibblewhite

9 hole women – Vicki Bryson

Social women – Christine Greig

During this same period, 10 members resigned bringing our total membership number to 1008 members. We wish our resigned members all the best and welcome our new members, we are sure you will enjoy your time at the Club.

TEMPORARY MEMBERS

The following individuals have recently applied for membership to the Club and been granted temporary membership status while their applications are reviewed by the Membership Committee.

If accepted, membership will be confirmed once these applications have been ratified by the Main Committee later this month.

Full playing men – Gerhard Van den Berg, Tony Lee

Under 30 Men – Villi Tosi, Cameron Marshall, Andrew McNie

Under 25 Men – Cameron Thompson

Tertiary Men – Chiu Yeung Lee

9 hole Senior men – Jae Sung Cha

Full playing women – Anna Hammington, Penelope Walker

9 hole women – Hye Ryun Shin

Social women – Lara Huh



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**PAR 3
CHALLENGE**

The 'Tailorednz' Par 3 Challenge is back for another year. This is a great day that sees the course set up as 18 par 3's. This year it will held on Sunday 4 December and there will be a new course layout. This will be the sixth consecutive year we have run this event and along with a new course layout, there will be a new scoring format.

Further information will be out shortly but if you are interested in helping on the day or sponsoring a hole, please contact Mike Williams at the office.

RULES CORNER

This month we will look at the final 6 questions in the R&A Open quiz from Royal Troon. I have taken the questions as written by the R&A and some I find a little ambiguous because of their wording – however they still provide a test of your knowledge of basic rules.

Question 1. James find a ball in the rough which he thinks is his – he advises his playing partner Robert that he intends to identify the ball and then lifts the ball to see his identification mark on it. He then carefully replaces the ball and plays his second shot. What is the ruling?

- a) There is no penalty
- b) James incurs a 1 stroke penalty
- c) James incurs a 2 stroke penalty

Question 2. Robert's ball lies on the apron of the putting green and when James plays from a greenside bunker he deposits sand on and around Robert's ball. What is the ruling?

- a) James is penalised 2 strokes for altering Robert's lie
- b) Robert may remove the sand but must not clean his ball
- c) Robert may remove the sand deposited by James' stroke and may lift, clean and replace his ball

Question 3. Robert's ball has come to rest on a towel through the green. What is the ruling?

- a) Robert must play the ball as it lies
- b) Robert must drop the ball within 1 club length of the nearest point of relief
- c) Robert must drop the ball as near as possible to the spot directly under the place where the ball lay on the towel

Question 4. Robert's ball ends up in a large pool of casual water. While measuring to find his relief position, he accidentally drops his driver into the pool of casual water making the grip wet and slippery. He asks James if he can replace his driver without undue delay. What is the ruling?

- a) Robert can change the club as the club is now unfit for play
- b) Robert can change the club if James agrees and gives permission
- c) Robert is not entitled to change his club but he can continue to use it

Question 5. James' ball has come to rest in a greenside bunker in a difficult lie. He decides to declare the ball unplayable and elects to proceed under Rule 28b and drop the ball behind the point where the ball lay in line with the hole – but outside the bunker. Robert disagrees with this and states the ball must be dropped in the bunker. What is the ruling?

- a) James is entitled to proceed under Rule 28b but the ball must be dropped in the bunker
- b) James is entitled to proceed under Rule 28b and the ball may be dropped outside the bunker
- c) James must select another option for relief under Rule 28

RULES CORNER ... *continued*

Question 6. Immediately after completing their rounds, James and Robert exchange cards, check their hole by hole scores and add up the totals for their rounds before signing and returning their cards to the committee. James' hole by hole scores returned on the card are correct but his total score returned on the card is 1 stroke lower than his actual score. What is the ruling?

- a) James is penalised 2 strokes for returning a lower score than he is entitled to
 - b) The committee must correct the score without penalty to James
 - c) James is disqualified
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RULES CORNER ANSWERS

Question 1. (b) Rule 12-2. The player is entitled to lift the ball for identification. However before lifting or moving the ball he must notify his marker/playing partner, and mark the position of the ball. By failing to mark the position of the ball James incurs a penalty of 1 stroke. ILA note: This question is poorly worded in that it does not state that the player failed to mark the ball – leaving some doubt as to whether he may have done so thus avoiding any penalty

Question 2. (c) Rule 13-2 and decision 13-2/8.5. A player is entitled to the lie and line of play he had when his ball came to rest. Accordingly in equity, Robert is entitled to remove the sand deposited by James and if required, lift and clean it (after marking its position!!). Note: sand lying on the apron of the green there before the ball arrives cannot be removed – sand on the green can be treated as loose impediments and can be removed even if the ball is off the green.

Question 3. (c) Rule 24-1b. If a ball lies in or on a movable obstruction (see definition of movable obstruction) the ball may be lifted and the obstruction removed – the ball then must be dropped as near as possible to the spot directly under the place where the ball lay on the obstruction but not nearer the hole.

Question 4. (c) Note to Rule 4-3a. A club is “unfit for play” if it is substantially damaged but not if the grip becomes wet and slippery. Robert is not entitled to change the club, but he may continue to use it with the wet grip.

Question 5. (a) If a ball is declared unplayable in a bunker the player may elect to proceed under Rule 28b but the ball must be dropped in the bunker. If this option is not selected the player may proceed under either option 28a (stroke and distance) or 28c (drop within 2 club lengths - again in the bunker).

Question 6. (b) The player is responsible for correctly recording the score for each hole – it is the Committee's responsibility to ensure the total score is correct.

Ian Anderson

THIS MONTH IN THE HOKOWHITU CAFÉ & BAR

November sees the start of the silly season and the café and bar will be a busy place with lots of end of year golf festivities along with workplace celebrations and family events. Our fantastic kitchen and front of house team will be working hard to make sure that everyone has a great experience here at the Club.

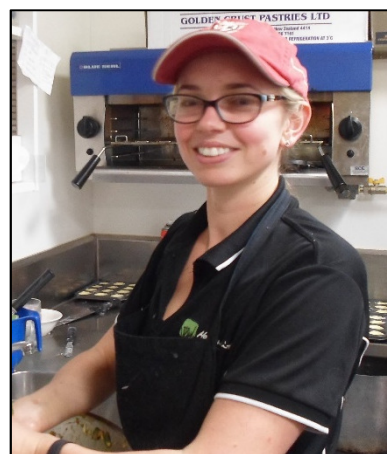
We are pleased to welcome Te Rau back after her maternity leave, it's great to have her as part of the team again.

Staff Profile – Bekah James

Bekah has been working away behind the scenes since mid 2015 and is part of the kitchen team responsible for all the delicious treats you can take home to enjoy like the Chilli Almonds!

Bekah has been working in kitchens for over 4 years and is currently undertaking an in-house Chef's apprenticeship.

When not working, Bekah is a busy being mum to her 5 year old daughter and indulging in her love of novelty socks!



Friday Dining

Spring is here so why not book a table for dinner on Friday night and let our team look after you while you relax and enjoy the late evening views out over the course. With Twilight golf now on each week, Friday nights will be busier than ever so don't forget to give us a call on 357 8793 ext 3 to book a table.

Christmas Cake Orders

Due to popular demand we will be taking orders for Christmas cakes and other festive treats this year. These can be ordered and paid for through the café. On offer this year will be:

- Christmas Cakes, - small or large
- Christmas Mince Tarts –mini, medium or gluten free
- Mazurka slab
- Chilli nuts
- Candy can gluten free meringues
- Christmas Biscotti
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FUNCTIONS & EVENTS

Please note this programme is subject to change. Please remember to always check and book via the tee sheets on the Club website or at the card room kiosk for available tee times.

November

MEN WOMEN MIXED EVENT

SUNDAY	SATURDAY	FRIDAY	THURSDAY	WEDNESDAY	TUESDAY	MONDAY
6 Men & Women: Club Championships Finals Day	5 Professionals Day	4 Twilight Golf 3pm - 5.30pm start	3 Sponsors Day	2 9 Hole: Stableford	1 Melbourne Cup Day	
13 Shamrock Club Tournament	12 Stroke & Trophy Presentation Day. 9 Hole Saturday Closing Day Saturday Closing Day	11 Twilight Golf 3pm - 5.30pm start	10 Women's Shootout	9 9 Hole: Committee Choice	8 Christmas Cheer	7 Manawatu Monday Club, 11.30am start
20 B Grade Championship	19 Closing Day (Galloway Cup Mixed Foursomes)	18 Twilight Golf 3pm - 5.30pm start	17 NuView Wealth Solutions Business House (pm)	16 9 Hole: Closing/Christmas Cheer WAM Dinner	15 Mid-week Closing Day	14 Bidvest Tournament
	26 Club Christmas Cheer Siren start	25 Twilight Golf 3pm - 5.30pm start	24	23 Christmas Cheer	22 Summer Golf	21
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UPCOMING GOLF EVENTS

- Fri 2 Dec: Twilight Golf 3.00-5.30pm
- Sat 3 Dec: Captains vs Presidents
- Fri 9 Dec: Twilight Golf 3.00-5.30pm
- Sun 4 Dec: Par 3 Challenge
- Mon 5 Dec: Manawatu Monday Club
- Thu 15 Dec: NuView Wealth Solutions business house
- Fri 16 Dec: Twilight Golf 3.00-5.30pm

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