



November 2021

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER

The Government has announced this month, the new COVID-19 Protection Framework. This framework brings us a New Zealand where we will be freer to move and live, once the 90% vaccination rate has been achieved. This means less disruptions and offers the Manawatu Golf Club more stability for the business of running the Club.

A key part of this process announced, is the introduction of the Vaccination Certificate for businesses. This would include the Club, which is currently a mix of members, sport, community events, retail, hospitality, functions and events. A recent survey, managed by the Golf Managers Association of New Zealand, asked New Zealand golf clubs their views of the new framework. 88% were in favour of vaccination certificates at golf clubs and 85% were in favour of using vaccination certificates to manage access to the Club.

In principle, the Committee is in favour of implementing the vaccination certificate at Manawatu Golf Club. This will allow us to conduct normal business and operate our Club efficiently and effectively. However, there is still some detail yet to be released by the Government, of how this will be implemented. The Committee is interested in your views, as members. Should the vaccination certificate process be introduced at the Manawatu Golf Club? If not, are you prepared for the Club, to operate under alert level settings, with restrictions in place? We encourage you to share your view with us directly, verbally or in writing. Contact us, or any committee member to share your thoughts on this matter.

The Committee has been working through objectives in the Club Strategic Plan, including our strategic objective 9 – Quality of facilities. As a result, the Committee has resolved to call for registrations of interest from members to join a club infrastructure and assets sub-committee. The sub-committee will analyse the current building, assets, and development programme at the Club, and provide advice to the Committee on priorities, opportunities, and plans. We are particularly interested in people with expertise in property management, construction, planning and asset management.

Also, under our strategic plan, objective 6 – environmental sustainability, the Committee has commenced a piece of work with Green Start and New Zealand Turf Management Solutions to create a robust system for Manawatu Golf Club to expand and improve existing environmental and sustainability impacts. The report will provide us with expert advice of sustainable planting plans, environmentally beneficial approach to soil and turf health and will analyse our water, waste, carbon, and energy use. Initially staff, specifically our course team, will be involved with the consultants, however the scope will include our clubhouse and other amenities.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER CONTINUED

We have reached the decision to formally halt the Cart Shed project. This was planned to be located next to the Greenkeepers building. After an extensive review, we have concluded that the current plan is not fit for our current needs. We now will take some time, review, and analyse what the usage of the building will be now and in the future. We are very interested in club members feedback on this matter and would welcome your views.

Notice of the Annual General Meeting will be distributed shortly. Hold the date of Monday 31 January, 5.45pm. Notice of meeting, nomination forms for committee and the opportunity to submit notices of motion will be distributed in the first week of December. The club is for its members, so we encourage you to think about what roles you could do.

November is a busy month at the club, with club championships, Gilmour's B-Grade Championship, Tailored NZ Par 3 Challenge and closing day, to name a few. Twilight and summer business house are also underway. Take the opportunity to get to the club and participate in the many events available to you.

Changes to the range of products available in the bar, as previously indicated, are still going to happen. However, COVID-19 has caused a few issues, hence the delay.

We look forward to seeing you at the Club over the next month.

Brent Cawthray (President) and Chris Wilson (General Manager)

TWILIGHT GOLF IS ON NOW!

Twilight Golf - Friday evenings during summer!

Everyone is welcome and no need to book, simply turn up between 3.00pm and 5.30pm and register in the Proshop.



The competition format is 9 Holes Individual Stableford and there will be a prize presentation afterward in the clubhouse. Take advantage of our fantastic cafe and bar facilities and stay on for refreshments or dinner after your game.

Manawatu Golf Club playing members - \$5.00, Members of other NZ clubs - \$15.00 and non-affiliated and MGC social members - \$20.00

PRIZES!

Mad Butcher Vouchers and golf ball prizes for Stableford competition.

This is a great opportunity to play at the Club in a competition for a small fee so bring along your friends and have some fun.



Gilmours

WHOLESALE FOOD & BEVERAGE

2021 MANAWATU B GRADE

MEN'S OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

SUNDAY 14th NOVEMBER



27 HOLE STABLEFORD

ENTRY FEE \$50 (INCLUDES LUNCH)
OPEN TO ALL AFFILIATED 18 HOLE GOLFERS

HANDICAP INDEX 8.5-24.1

LIMITED TO 64 ENTRIES

OVER \$3000 IN PRIZES

1ST PRIZE: ROUND OF GOLF FOR 4 (INCL. 2 CARTS) AT CAPE KIDNAPPERS PLUS 1 DOZ TITLEIST PROV1 GOLF BALLS

2ND AND 3RD: ROUND OF GOLF FOR 4 (INCL. CART) AT ROYAL WELLINGTON GC PLUS 1 DOZ TITLEIST PROV1 GOLF BALLS

4TH ONWARDS: MANAWATU GOLF CLUB VOUCHERS AND TITLEIST PROV1 GOLF BALLS

+ AFTERNOON 18 HOLE PRIZE INCLUDED

30% OF ALL PAID ENTRIES GUARANTEED A PRIZE!



Please enter online at:

www.manawatugolfclub.com/tournaments

Payment required on entry

Entries close 5:00pm Tuesday 9th November

More information contact the office: 06 3578793



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Hi everyone,

I hope you are all well. It's been great to have the sun appearing a little more recently and seeing more and more of you out enjoying the great golf course and facilities that we have here. Also, good luck to all involved in the Club Champs Finals Day on the 6th of November!

News from the Shop: Brydie has a new puppy (see picture) called Dusty who she is completely in love with 😊. Andre recently spent a weekend away at Terrace Downs and is now looking into running a trip for our members to Terrace Downs and the greater Christchurch region. If you are interested in this trip, please let us know. Tim played in a Pro Am recently at Mount Manganui Golf Club. Don't ask him about the golf 😊 but he had a great time with his company for the day, 7's stars Scott Curry, Kurt Baker and Mr Movember himself.



Kiwis Around the world: Steve Alker, in only 8 events on the PGA Tour Champions, has had his most successful year money wise in his professional career. He has notched up seven top tens and his worst finish has been a T16. This is enough to give himself starts out there next year. Seems like getting older and turning 50 was great news for Mr Alker!!! 😊. Daniel Hillier, the inaugural winner of the Brian Green Manawatu Super 6's, won his first event on the European Challenge Tour, which is the feeder tour to the European Tour.



This gives Dan a real chance of making the top 15 on the money list and joining fellow Kiwi Ryan Fox on the European Tour next year. Lydia Ko finished T3 in her latest event and that is also where she sits in the LPGA rankings going into the LPGA Tour Championship in a few weeks. What a fantastic year she has had!!!



Just remember if you have any questions regarding your game, please don't hesitate to ask us, we are here to help!

Your Proshop team - Alan, André, Tim, Brydie and Cheycoda.

A message from the Club Captain

Congratulations to winners of the MacLennan trophy for 2021, Mike Fagan and Ash Gurney who beat Mark Cleaver and Verne Wilson 4 and 2.

In the Consolation final Leigh & Ralph Thomas beat Rob Cuff and Bob Wiltshire.

Winner of the October Craigs Investment Partners Tankard was Andrew Penwarden with 42 points.

Club Champs & Men's Trophy day

Saturday 6th of November is Club Champs finals day and the Men's Trophy presentation. If you are not playing golf come down and support the club's top golfers in their quest to be 2021 Club Champion!



Twilight

Twilight is underway for 2021-22. With the Café being very busy from now to Christmas this often makes it impractical to have a Twilight prize-giving, so we have decided to do away with this. The Proshop will now distribute all the prizes. Non-affiliated members now have their own competition on Dotgolf, so no more green cards also.

Pennants

Following this year's inter-club pennant season, Manawatu-Wanganui Golf surveyed pennant players on their preferred options for these competitions going forward. Although there was support amongst many players for change i.e., 18-hole competitions and play on Saturdays rather than Sundays, in the end the status quo remained for most the Men's competitions although the women's format has changed a bit. In 2022 the club will field a Men's A-grade team, B-grade team (36-hole max on Sundays), a D-grade team (18-hole on Sundays), Presidents team, Handicap team (this competition starts after the main pennant season) and a Zones team.

We are seeking members interested in managing/selecting the A, B, & D-grade, Presidents and Handicap teams. Likewise, will we be looking for members interested in playing for our pennant teams in 2022. Members (and you don't have to be a 7-day member) with handicaps approximately 10 and below would be considered for the off-the-stick A, B & D teams. There are 5 rounds and a final and we would expect those putting their names forward to be available for selection for a minimum of 2 rounds and the final. Pennants start Sunday Feb 20th and the finals are on Sunday May 1st. Presidents starts Feb 13th and runs through to June. Handicap pennants starts May 29th.

Men's Shootout

A couple of late withdrawals resulted in a playoff between 21st placed Martyn Nail and James Saywell-Summers to determine the 19th spot. The play-off was played after they completed their morning rounds which were also Club Champs matches. James won the play-off with a par on the 18th. The top qualifier for 2021 was Gus Fowler, +19 for his best 8 Stableford scores for the season, but that meant nothing on the day as Gus was knocked out on the first hole!

A message from the Club Captain Continued

The first 8 holes saw no playoffs as there always seemed to be someone struggling. The eventual winner Hamish Pryde was lucky on the 7th having put his tee shot OB over the stop bank, however Bob Rankin crashed the closer he got to the hole. Some tricky chip-offs were devised by John Bills on holes 9 to 11 to split 4 or 5 players. Jhon Lundy had a putting nightmare on 14. The infamous chip over the 16th bunker saw 2 balls land in it and seeing the end of Dave Boswell. James Saywell-Summers had played solid all day but a 3-putt on the 17th saw his demise. A pulled second shot on the 18th resulted a tricky chip over the left-hand bunker on 18 for the Doc Edwin resulting in a likely 5, while Hamish Pryde made a solid par to win the last hole. Thanks to Warren Williams, John Bills and Ian Anderson for looking after the day. And finally, thanks to all participants for making this one of the best golf days for the year.

2021 Mens Shootout Results

Hole Knocked out	Names	Hcap	Chip off	Losing hole score and play-off details
1	Gus Fowler	17		7 net 6
2	Ian Bevins	19		7 net 6
3	Bert Chang	8		6 net 6
4	Rob Cuff	15		5 net 5
5	Lew Hirini	24		10 net 9
6	James Cornelius	16		9 net 8
7	Bob Rankin	12		8 net 8
8	Keith Wedlock	22		7 net 5
9	Rodney Smith	26	Y	Net 5s. 5 person chip off
10	Barry Griffin	19	Y	Net 5s. 5 person chip off
11	Ghee Tan	35	Y	Net 4s. 4 person chip off
12	Richard Shaw	7		6 net 6
13	Allan Bailey	18		7 net 6
14	Jhon Lundy	20		roughly 11 net 10
15	Grayson Joines	13		net 6, rest were net 5s
16	Dave Boswell	14	Y	net 3s, All 4
17	James Saywell-Summers	4		net 5
18	Edwin van der Merwe	13		net 5
	Winner Hamish Pryde	11		net 4



November is a very busy month for golf, here is a summary

Saturday 6th is Club Champs finals day. This is also the Men's Stroke & Trophy presentation day, so come along and see who are our Club & Stroke champions for the season.

The Gross Shootout final is on Saturday 13th of Nov. This starts at 2pm from the 10th tee. Because of this there will be limited 1st tee slots for the afternoon field on this Saturday.

The Gilmours B-Grade Championship is on Sunday 14th, enter on-line via the Club website.

The Club's Closing day is on Saturday 20th November. This is Mixed foursomes and is open to all club members. Enter on the Start sheet in the Card room.

The Club Christmas Cheer is on Saturday 4th December. There is a morning and afternoon prize table. Entry is \$20 and everyone gets a prize. It is open to all 6 and 7-day 18-hole members.

Entries sheets for the Men's Summer singles and Four-ball are up in the Card room. Entries close at the end of November.

WOMEN'S GOLF

As usual October proved to be a very busy month for the ladies! On October 16th and 19th the final of the Mellsof Cup was played. There was a tie for the best Nett between Lisa Herbert and Lindy Wheeler so a play-off took place on Tuesday October 25th with Lisa winning the Cup.

Manawatu Knitting Mills Women's Open Day – 7th October

This year there was quite a large field with everyone looking forward to the event. Unfortunately, the weather was less than ideal, in that it rained all morning. It was pleasing to see that only 2 players pulled out and the tournament was played in good spirits despite the rain. We are very grateful to John Myszczyzyn who agreed to Manawatu Knitting Mills being our major sponsor this year. Thanks once again to our other generous sponsors: Melody's New World, Furniture Fair, Kelly's Shoes, The Village Wine Trader, Manawatu Golf Club and Robertson Prestige.

In fact, 88 players from 19 clubs joined the fun in the rain. They were very happy to finish so they could dry off and enjoy a delicious lunch and pin their hopes on winning one of the fabulous raffle prizes. Thanks so much to Kath and her team for the wonderful lunch and thanks go to all the ladies who contributed such great prizes for the raffles. Special thanks to Alicia Boag and Sharen Port who expertly put the raffles together and then sold the tickets. It was a great success and every one enjoyed the day.

The major prize was won by Manawatu member Shengy Ye who also won the Alison Schultze Cup for the best gross from Bronze players. Second on the overall prize list was Lorraine Sixtus and third was Aven Schroder from Feilding.

Thanks to all the Manawatu ladies who contributed in so many ways. An event like this needs the contribution of a large number of people and we are never short of help from our lovely lady members. Special thanks to Deb Archer and Barbara Stuckey for the doing the draw and to Deb, Barbara and Shirlee Jenkinson for the results.

Spring Fling

On Thursday we decided to invite the 9 hole lady members to an afternoon of 18 hole foursomes so that we, the 18 holers, could enjoy their company and get to know some of the newer 9 hole members. After the game we stayed for drinks and delicious nibbles. It proved to be a great success with everyone agreeing it was a fun day and that we should do it again. Thanks to Julie Meiring, Deb Archer and Natasha Meyer who suggested the idea and were instrumental in making it a success. Thanks too to all the ladies who contributed their clothes to the new charity Dress for Success. The representatives from the group were very grateful for the contributions.

The winners on the day were 1st Lesley Martin and Edna Short, 2nd Jill Clifton and Toni Melody and 3rd Lorraine Sixtus and Cheycoda Cocks.



WOMEN'S GOLF CONTINUED

Thursday Club

The Thursday Club shootout took place on October 28th with 13 nervous ladies lining up to tee off. After several hours it came down to Robyn Higgins reigning supreme on the 12th hole when she defeated Lorraine Sixtus. Well done to both players and congratulations to all the ladies who made the cut for the shootout. Many thanks to Lorraine Stachurski and Gloria Campbell for overseeing the event. They looked resplendent in their pirate outfits and did a great job of making those eliminated walk the plank



November Golf

To meet level 2 covid restrictions we will continue to book online with one person available to assist with groups as required.

- 2nd Stableford
No special event has been planned this year for the Melbourne Cup.
 - 9th Closing Day A Team event (Rabbits)
Followed by Midweek prize giving
 - 16th 3 clubs and a putter – orange tees
Followed by the WAM dinner and entertainment.
 - 23rd Christmas Cheer - Stableford
We will be grateful for monetary donations for Dress for Success instead of secret Santa.
 - 30th Start of Summer Golf - continue with booking on line. Sheet to go up with one starter again to oversee.
 - Cups Collinson & Wills are nearing completion
 - Club Championships Finals will be on Saturday November 6th
- Enjoy your fun filled November of golf.

Jill Clifton - Women's Club Captain

News from the Hokowhitu Café and Bar.....



Christmas Goodies

We have a great range of Christmas treats available for pre-order at the café!

We have Mazurka Christmas slice, Christmas tarts, Chilli almonds and Christmas cakes available!

CHRISTMAS CAKES – MUST BE PRE-ORDERED

Welcome

The Committee would like to confirm the acceptance to the Club of the following new and returning members who applied in September 2021

7 Day – Martyn Dawson

Under 30 – Daniel Barr, Harrison Brown, Michael Hilson, Douglas Macleod

Under 25 - Mason Hughes, Floyd Na Nagara, Whetu Na Nagara

Country – Bryn Quigan

6 Day – Shannon Wylie

5 Day - Steven Buhr, Ashley Kim, Eric Kwak, Alexander Neil

9 Hole – Linda Berg, Grace Lee, Paul MacNeill, Gemma Meiring

9 Hole Senior - Peter Bidlake

Restricted Junior – Cullen Byrne, Zack Jaslarz, Emily Meiring

During this same period, 14 members resigned bringing our total membership number to 1082 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.





Fledgling Golf

at the Manawatu Golf Club

New and Beginner golfers

It was great to see many of our new golfers at the inaugural Ladies Spring Fling held just before Labour Weekend. Ladies, both new and established members, had a great afternoon of golf despite the weather, which was followed by drinks and nibbles. Those unable to play golf were still able to pop along after work and meet the Club Convenors and create a few more contracts. Many thanks to Jill, Deb and Julie for organising the afternoon.

A few of our newer members have transitioned into club competition with others enjoying the warmer weather to get out a little more often and are hoping to start participating in competition in the New Year.

Over the past few weeks there have been more new-to golf members join the club. It's a fabulous time of year to learn – warmer weather (hopefully) less rain, and a bit of run on the fairways.

Our Club has developed a few guidelines to assist our beginner golf members which make playing just that little bit easier when starting out.

- Start closer to the green and use the coloured tee blocks as your reference point.
- Tee up whenever you want (except for the greens)
- Drop out of the bunkers onto the grass
- If you have reached 8 shots before the green, pick up and place your ball on the green and putt
- Always remember: Your place is behind the people in front, not in front of the people behind.

Good luck to all those in the Club Champ finals and various other competitions that are finishing up ahead of the end of the year. Expect to see some of our recent members playing in these matches in future years.

Happy golfing!

Tim is running a 9 Hole Coaching clinic in which some of our newest members are partaking.

They had a beautiful afternoon for the first session!



COURSE REPORT

When is the wet weather going to end? As we enter November we hope for the warmer and drier days. In the past month we have been trying to get areas finished as well as spraying. This has been hard to achieve with the weather. With the constant rain we haven't been able to sort any of the wetter areas yet.

Greens have been rolling consistently, even with the amount of growth we have been getting from them. Tees and Surrounds have great cover, a few areas around the surrounds have thinned out due to how wet they are. Fairways have great cover on them with the odd wet spot around the place. Rough is just going crazy, we are trying our best to keep it under control.

In the coming month we are aiming to get wetting agent applied to all areas to help with the drier months ahead. Front right-hand side of 11th Tee, 16th Tee to be completed. Renovate Tees and surrounds also. We will be gravel banding the 14th Fairway on Monday the 8th of November, possibly a few other areas also.

I wish everyone well in their up & coming Club Champs finals & other competitions ahead. Please remember to repair all pitch marks & replace your divots. Please be aware where you drive your carts & where you are pushing your trundler, especially in the wet areas.

Lastly, I would like to thank all the Volunteers that help throughout the year, the work they do doesn't go a miss. We all are very grateful for the work you do.

Bit of humour with summer coming up, be aware 😊

Course Superintendent

Kiel Stechman



The very popular Tailorednz Par 3 Challenge has sold out for another year! Thanks to sponsors Tailorednz



NINE HOLE NEWS

We had a very busy month with club champ matches being played as well as other events, good luck to those still to compete in club champs

We had a very successful "Open Day" with over 100 entries. The Women's Open Trophy was won by Paula Thomson from Paraparaumu Beach and Men's Trophy won by Julian Howard from Royal Wellington. Weather was a bit drizzly but we finished before it set in.

We had a lovely lunch served to tables by cafe staff, great raffles, grocery baskets (thanks team), Ham from Rangitikei Meats and Meat Hampers from Mad Butcher. A big thanks to everyone. Our course was in great order which is always enjoyed by our visitors

Our 2nd Tri Series was played at Feilding we didn't fair that well, so we have Feilding as a threat at the last series at Palmerston North this month.

We had a great "Shootout" match! Very exciting with lots of putt offs, leaving two survivors Margaret Birchall and Judy Rowe to compete on the 9th hole. They tied and had to chip and putt out to win. The winner was Judy Rowe, well done Judy.

Thanks to all those that followed the players around and thanks to Harry Wiggins who looked after the scoring. It really was a great day. Wayne Revell has donated a trophy for this now Annual event.

Our ladies joined the 18 hole ladies for "Spring Fling" played as Ambrose over 18 holes. A great day enjoyed by everyone and followed with drinks, nibbles and chatter.

We look forward to Tri Series final, Champion of Champions (which we are hosting) and Christmas Round Robin (which we are also hosting) plus Christmas Cheer!

Another year almost over a repeat of this we don't want to see again

Good golfing

Colleen Fraser Convenor



What's on in November...

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
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1	2 18 Hole: Stableford 9 Hole: Stableford	3 9 Hole: Par	4	5 NZICA Golf Tournament Twilight Golf 4pm – 5:30pm	6 Craig's Investment Tankard Draw 9 Hole: Par 18 Hole: Saturday Christmas Cheer	7
8	9 18 Hole & 9 Hole Mid-Week Closing Day	10 9 Hole: Closing Christmas Cheer	11	12 Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	13 Best Gross Shootout 9 Hole: Closing Day Christmas Cheer 18 Hole: Saturday Women's Closing Day	14 Gilmours B Grade Championship
15	16 18 Hole: Red Tees, WAM Dinner 9 Hole: Committee Choice	17 Christmas Cheer, optional entry 9 Hole: Committee Choice	18 Yorb Business House	19 9 Hole: Champion of Champions Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	20 Club Closing Day (Galloway Cup Mixed Foursomes)	21 Tailorednz Par 3 Challenge
22	23 Mid-Week Christmas Cheer Start Sheet usual Tuesday Field	24 9 Hole: Summer Competition	25	26 Twilight Golf 3pm-5.30pm start	27 9 Hole: Summer Competition	28
29	30					

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SUNDAY 14th NOVEMBER

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**PAR 3
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SUNDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2021
12:30PM SHOTGUN START



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