

Newsletter

Thursday 7th December 2017

Golf Competitions

This competition this week for Men is the start of the Summer Stableford series which runs until Saturday 20th January. The winner will be the player who records the best 3 stableford scores over that 7-week period.

The Womens competition on Saturday is Weekend Womens Closing Day and playing a stableford competition for the Weekend Women 2000 Trophy.

On Sunday we have a mixed event being a teams best ball stroke nett match for the Islington Cup. This event was postponed from earlier in the year and is sponsored by Little India.

Next Tuesday we start the Womens Summer golf series. This runs for 6 weeks and the winner will be the player with the 4 best stableford scores over that period and will receive the June Kerr Salver.

We will also be running a Womens Summer Ringers competition. Entry is free and automatic.

On Sunday 17th December we are playing our rescheduled match against Clearwater for the Shirwater Trophy. We are still short of players for this event so if you would like to play please let the office know or use the sign-up sheet in the Pro-Shop.

Last Week's Results

- Twilight. 1st place was Lindsay Walton with Dave Isaac leading Man and Robyn Gillespie leading Woman.
- Saturday Men. The stableford competitions were won by Tom Parker, Garry Hooper and Geoff Brodie.
- Mixed Closing Day was won by Murray Turnbull & Hellen Kroeger from Bryan Andrews & Janet Christie Anderson, and Grant Mitchell & Jenny Clark, who were tied for 2nd.
- Tuesday Women. Womens Closing Day. The Janet Christie Anderson Cup was won by the team of Stephanie Beth and Lorraine Woodfield.
- Tuesday Men. John Sutherland was 1st with Peter Sturge and Guy Hargreaves 2nd & 3rd respectively.
- Wednesday Men. 1st place went to Brian Adams from David Blair & Warren Glass.
- Wednesday Women. 1st place to Julia Nurse from Louise Guthrey.
- 9 Hole Mixed. 1st place was Sally Thomas & Rod Bourke-Shaw from Sally Young & Margot Christie.



Upcoming Events:

- Every Thursday. Twilight sponsored by Z Shirley.
- Women. Tuesday/Wednesday/Saturday W/E Dec 16th. Summer Stableford Series.
- Men. Saturday Dec 16th. Summer Stableford Series.
- Mixed. Sunday Dec 17th. Shirwater Trophy vs Clearwater at Clearwater.

Interclub

Metro - Ben Frampton

Our result for the postponed match from last week was a 5-3 win over Harewood at home. Harewood are always a difficult side to beat, and we had a good close encounter.

As the match was nearing its end, we had wins in from David Wallace and Ben Frampton, and losses to James Sheppard and Brent Musgrave. That was two all and the other matches were very tight, and all went to the 18th. An interesting feature was that in each of those four matches, one player won the last two holes, and the good news is that in three of those matches the two wins were by our player. Out on the course watching the progress in the final matches, we were not aware that Simon Fraser had come back from two down to secure a half and Toby Giles won both to record a two-up win.

Brian Ronan had a very tough opponent in Terry Coleman, Brian having got to 2 up with two to play, Terry winning the last two holes leaving the match halved (but very valuable to us in the outcome). Daryl Anderson was one down with two to play, won the 17th with a par and then drove the 18th to the back of the green to make a birdie and win one up, giving us the 5-3 margin.

So well done to all team members for a great result from an exciting match played in a good competitive spirit.

Presidents Grade - Dennis Doherty

Some would say overdue, but very good news from the Christchurch Presidents Team. After some very close matches, the team doubled their points for the season on Sunday, by winning their Round 7 match at home against McLeans Island, 4.5 to 3.5.

Our matches with McLeans Island are always close encounters.

Our birthday boy – David Young at 8, with a comfortable 6/4 win and David Isaac at 7, after a few wobbles on the closing holes won his match 1 Up - got the team off to a flying start. At 6, Dean Sweetman went down 2/1 in a match that ebbed and flowed. At 5 Norm Facoory fought back strongly from being 3 down after 3 to win his match 1 Up. John MacVicar at 4, played brilliantly on the front 9, building up a sufficient lead to hold on despite heatstroke – to half his match. Marty Benge at 3 and Steve Savill at 1, both had difficult days losing their matches. Lindsay Walton at 2, had a very good day and won his match 2/1.

A great way to close out the first half of the season and earn a well-deserved holiday break.

Our next match is at Russley on 14 January 2018.



Course notes - John Sanders

Who would have picked the run of warm-hot weather we have had recently? Interestingly there has been some precipitation overnight, but I doubt it will make a lot of difference to the dry conditions we now have on the course.

Members playing recently will have noticed Mark Lawson and Dodge Healey working in the area between the club flat and the clubhouse. This is the final piece of landscaping to finish the Clubhouse area and create a new, private and safe from errant golf balls, outdoor function area. We expect it to be complete by the end of January.

Placing will be removed starting this Saturday.

A brief update on the Drain project.

- 1. The new turf across No 1 fairway is complete and the rough on the right side reinstated by hydroseeding. This new turf will be roped off and if you ball enters this, you may retrieve it and take a free drop on the tee side of the ropes. The hydroseeded area will be fenced off and no one should enter this area, as it is very fragile in the early weeks until the grass grows though.
- 2. The work across the 9th fairway and the rough between 9 & 1 is still progressing well. The access bridge for play down No 9 for this Saturday and Sunday will the greenkeepers bridge at the extreme right of the rough on No 9, as we did last weekend.
- 3. The temporary holes will continue to be in play during the week whilst the normal tees/greens will be in play on these holes on Saturday's and Sunday's.
- 4. An updated information sheet on the noticeboards and in the Pro-shop, advises playing procedures and access during construction.

Good golfing this weekend.

2017 Christchurch Golf Club Hamper Day

On Wednesday 29th November the 2017 Hamper Day was a stunning success.

Ninety-nine players competed and helped to raise funds for our 2017 Charity, START. The success of the day was largely due to the efforts of the Ladies Committee, in particular the sterling work of Lorraine Smith and Monica Timu.

START is a Charitable Trust that supports and counsels sexually abused children and their families. They have been operating for 30 years in Christchurch and have always struggled for funding. The Management of START were over whelmed by the generosity of The Christchurch Golf Club and were extremely grateful for the donation that is going towards expanding their services in the Christchurch Community.

The course was immaculate, and all the players and guests complemented the green staff on producing the best course in Christchurch. The event went like clockwork and this reflected the tremendous effort from both our administrative and hospitality staff.

Thank you to all who donated their time, energy and generosity to make this such a successful fund raiser

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Womens Closing Day

Pictured below Susan Townsend and Bea Stokes, joint winners of the Women's Player of the Year trophy.

