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President's Report – October 2023

Apologies for the delay in getting this newsletter out, but it has been a very busy month for me, both on and off the course. We have had Jimmy, Doug Gooch and Andy all away

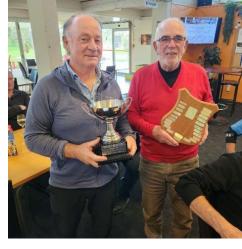
at various times, which has resulted in some odd moments, such as when we couldn't get our hands on the store of golf balls for NTPs. But thank goodness, all will be back by October 24th.

Tournaments

Mark Follis and Doug Crisp won the Crisp Trophy and Mens Handicap Matchplay Trophy respectively. Well done guys.

We had the Strokeplay Championships on October 14th and congratulations to all the division winners. Also thanks and congratulations to all those who participated and came runners up, etc.





Then on Monday, October 16th, we had the Vets Open at Pauanui. 27 players from Tairua, Purangi, Whangamata joined us, for a delightful day, culminating in a lovely lunch from Trevor. The Vets brought an excellent morning tea, which was then organized by Lynnette Philp, Jan van Kampen and Christine Meinhold. Thank you all.

Tuk, Christine, Steve, John, Ray, Carol, Karen The Mixed 9 Hole group held their Open tournament on October 19th. Please read Jan's special report enclosed.

Also in the newsletter are the latest tournament results from Ian Smith. Check your

placings, we still have some weeks to go.

Golf Course

Andy has reported on the continual work being done on the course, but I do want to highlight a couple of things. Lynn Cameron has made a lovely job of cleaning up and replanting the little garden on the Lakes #1 hole. Thanks Lynn.





The fence along the boundary between the Lakes 7th green and 8th tee has been completed, a good job done by Kevin Ashworth.

The lake on the Lakes course is, once again, home to a duck family. Lovely to see.





Lastly, Ken Philp has done a lovely job of paving the bottom of the new screen on the Pines # 8 tee box. This will make it much easier to mow and weedeat. Andy Bolton and Jack O'Halloran did an audit of the courses using our Course Standards Report. Andy's report says: Jack and I completed the survey of the courses on Friday so that we could compare the results with the survey carried out in July 2022. We used the official USGA stimp meter (kindly donated by Barrie Jones) to assess the green speed and also compared this with the homemade stimp meter used in July 2022. The USGA one produced a slightly higher speed than the home made version but it was clear that our green speed has increased from 6-7 to 9-10 which is now within our target band. This is largely due to the rolling that has been carried out which has also produced harder and truer greens. The results for both courses are attached.

We have do have a small quantity weeds/unwanted grasses in the greens and there is a prevalence of moss patches mainly on the Pines greens which needs to be treated. Also, the infestation of carpet grass, lying fairly dormant at present, particularly on Lakes greens 3, 4 and 5 needs to be treated sooner rather than later before it goes rampant again.

We also need to get the grass growing on Pines fairway 7 and this will require the addition of further irrigation as the old system is defunct and cannot be located. We will require the use of a small digger to trench in new pipes and then fit a couple of additional sprinklers.

Well done to both Jack and Mike for driving great improvement in our courses. The detailed, hole-by-hole report is available if anyone wants to see it – just ask me.

Working Bee

As Andy has commented, we need volunteers to help with cleaning up the three pine trees being felled on the Pines course on **October 24 – 26**. Please come and help, if you can.

Golf Shirts

We still have eight Pauanui Golf Club collard shirts still available at the Golf Shop. These are the last of the line and we are putting them on special at only \$35 each. So get in quickly and snap them up.

Firewood

Just a reminder to everyone; get your orders in to the Golf Shop and the guys will deliver the firewood to your Pauanui home. Now is the time to stack it up and let it dry out over summer. We have a good pile available.

Lakes Resort Day

This is a reminder of our annual Mystery Golf Trip, that is not a mystery! **Saturday, October**

28th. No pre-booking, just turn up on the day at 8.30 if playing 18 holes and 10am if only playing 9 holes. Prizes, pizzas and beers afterwards.

Golf Club AGM

Just a reminder that our golf club AGM will be on **Sunday, 3rd December**. Please put it in your calendars. Nomination forms for the committee are now up on the notice board. Also for the 18 Hole Ladies Committee. As usual, every position is open and we welcome new blood onto the committees, especially people who have not been involved before.

Mixed 9-Hole Report

A follow-up for everyone on our **Mixed 9 Hole Tournament** held yesterday.

A great start to the day following the sea fog with 31 players from Pauanui, Whangamata and Tairua. It was great to see a couple of men from out of town come along.

Winners as follows:

Gross: Division 1: James MacGilloway, Whangamata

Division 2: Lee Read, Tairua

Stableford: Division 1: Dave Parkin, Pauanui (on countback) with 20 points

Division 2: Colleen Ellis, Whangamata (also on countback) with 20 points

Longest Drive: Men: Peter Hook, Pauanui

Division 1 Women: No winner Division 2 Women: No winner

Nearest the Pin: Division 1 on Number 5: Norm Hammond, Tairua

Division 2 on Number 6: Colleen Ellis, Whangamata Open on Target Hole: Vicki Hindmarsh, Pauanui

Raffles: One Night's Accomodation Braeside Cottage, Central Otago, (generously donated

once again by Barbara's daughter, Philippa) was won by Dave Blair, Pauanui

Christmas Cake baked by Barbara won by Anna McGuire, Tairua

\$50.00 note won by Cheryl MacGilloway, Whangamata

A great day to be out in the sunshine playing golf, pity about my score, but there is always the next game!

We received many favourable comments about the condition of the course, in particular the greens. Great to hear, following the concerted efforts of the greenkeepers and volunteers. Many thanks to all our players who provided morning tea, to John and Irene and Judy for helping with the morning tea. Also to those who donated prizes and helped with setup and making the day run smoothly. It was lovely to see Jim MacPherson again and to have him and Judy join us for lunch.

Upcoming Events:

October 26: No golf, as coring and tree felling

October 28: 18 and 9 holes of golf at Lakes Resort - an email was recently forwarded to all golfers. It is always nice to try another course, especially one so close. Carts are available but you will need to book one if required.

November 9: Our Mixed 9 Hole AGM following golf - new convener and committee members required. There is a nomination form on the notice board. I am definitely not available to be convener next year, it is time for some new blood. I am willing to stay on the committee though.

November 16: Our Shootout final. I will forward a list of finalists shortly. Please advise if you are able to compete or not. If insufficient numbers this will not go ahead as there is a lot of organising ahead of the day.

December 7: Closing Day. No idea what we will do this year as far as the golf is concerned, but will definitely be having prizegiving and bar-b-que at the club.

Have a great long weekend and let's hope the weather doesn't turn and that the yaks keep flying!

Cheers,

Course Report October 2023

Both courses are playing well and looking neat and tidy thanks to the ongoing work of the green keepers and volunteers. We carried out the course condition survey on 28/9/23 including using the donated official USGA stimpmeter to measure the speed of the greens. Generally, most of the bare patches have now got good grass cover and the speed has increased from 6-7 to 9-10 which is within our target specification. The greens will be solid tine cored on October 24th and

both courses will remain closed for 3 days after that to complete the renovation process.

We have started the annual audit of the irrigation systems to check the operation, throw, arc and level of all the sprinklers. The audit also includes a review of spare parts, sprinklers and piping necessary to effect any repairs that are necessary during the summer period. There is no doubt that some investment in these things will be necessary. During the start of the audit we had a blow-out of the pipework behind the target green, which has now been fixed. Once again this demonstrates the fragility of the Pines irrigation system.

Repaired pipework behind target green and sprinkler solenoid valve





Ball washer Pine #7

The Club Manager has given the go ahead to drop 3 trees on the Pines course, one on the 1st fairway close to the green and two on the 4th fairway about 90m from the green. All of these trees have had hanging branches and are considered the most dangerous. The work will be scheduled for the week beginning 24 October whilst renovation is being done and the course closed. Volunteers will be required to do the major clean up.

Firewood sales are progressing steadily and we have already delivered about 37cum at a value of over \$4000. Remember if you want firewood, your orders can be placed at the golf shop!

We have refurbished all of the ball washers on the course (3 on the Pines and 3 on the Lakes) and Christine Meinhold has repainted them. They look pretty smart now!

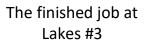
The 2023/24 golf course budget has been prepared and is ready for submission to the manager/board of the Pauanui Club. We now have a revised set of account codes so that costs can be more accurately tracked going forward.

We hired a cherry picker from Thames last week and have replaced the top middle section of protection netting on Lakes #3 fairway and some other small jobs were also completed. Thanks to Brian James who did the 4 hour round trip to Thames twice this week to pick up and return the machine.

Setting up the cherry picker



Working on the net





We will require a big working bee from 24/10-27/10 to assist with green renovation and clearing 3 dropped pines. More details nearer the time. Please come and help.

Andy Bolton Course Convenor

Ladies 18 Holes

The recent run of good weather has renewed enthusiasm for playing golf, and even though we had a few members on " Grandma Duty" due to the school holidays, we continued to have a reasonable muster.

The Pauanui Pairs Competition has been finalised, won by L. Philps and K. Heaven, and the Pauanui Cup is down to the finals as well. We are now on the run down to the year's end.

We had a most successful Open Tournament, The Heather Christie Memorial, with great weather and 32 players. With Hwy 25A still closed, we were happy with that number. Hopefully next year we may get more. The course was presented at its most difficult, as I requested of Jack, and interestingly, it was a very high handicapper who managed to play the best, with 37 stableford points. The prizes of vouchers were all bought locally, and I know this decision has gone down well with our local businesspeople.

I represented our 18 Hole Ladies at the Captain's Meeting in Thames, where we set the Thames Valley programme for next year, and discussed any problems or queries we may have. A much longer road trip than usual via Waihi, but most important to be there. A directive from NZ Golf and BoP Golf, has seen the Silver and Bronze 1 Division of the Champion of Champions reduced to an 18 Hole event. (previously 36 Holes). We will now have to discuss whether we align our own Championships to match.

My own personal opinion is that because we are a short flat course, we maintain the status quo in our own championships. Neither NZ Golf nor BoP Golf can interfere with our decision.

We are going to have a 9 Hole social morning of golf on Melbourne Cup Day, to which the 9 Hole Ladies have been invited. A catered lunch will be provided by the Golf Tee Cafe, who are keen to provide such a service. I'm not sure what the format of play will be, but I'm sure I can come up with something deliciously evil!!

Meanwhile we have our stroke play championships to get through. I will schedule these for Saturday October 14th, leaving Sunday as an option if Saturday is particularly wet. Personally, I will take entries up to Wednesday (today) and do the draw Wednesday afternoon.

Our Birdies Trip on Mon 30th Oct - Weds 1st Nov. is deep into the planning stage, and it sounds as if it is going to be fun. 18 ladies have registered to go, and we are staying at Whitianga for two nights, playing Purangi on the way up, Matarangi on Tues. and Mercury Bay on the last day.

Home Weds. night, so those ladies involved in the Bronze 2 & 3 Champion of Champions at Te Aroha on Friday 3rd., can recover from our excesses!!!

Karen Heaven Ladies 18 Hole Captain.

Club Captain's Report + 18 Hole Ladies.

Ladies Invite a man/lady day Tues 22nd Aug. 24 Players.

Results: 1st Alan Brierley, 2nd Peter Hook, 3rd John Maxwell.

Mens Day Wed 6th Sept. Presidents Trophies, Shootout Qualifier, Net.

1st Graham Alexander, 2nd Roger Fulton, 3rd Dave Ashton, 4th Peter Turner.

N.T.P.2nd + 11th Rodney Goodrick. 6th + 15th Doug Crisp.

Twos- Doug Crisp (2), Graham Alexander (2), Andy Bolton, Brian James, John Meinhold all 1 each.

DB SPONSORED TOURNAMENT Sat 9th Sept. Mixed Competition. Stableford.

Men.1st- Kerry Waugh 36pts. 2nd-Mark Follas 35pts. 3rd- Tim Santner 34pts.

Ladies. 1st-Wendy Fulton 37pts. 2nd-Jan Van Kampen 34pts. 3rd-Tina Packwood 33

N.T.P. Target Hole. Men Roger Fulton. Ladies Denise Jenkin.

N.T.P.Men 6th-Grant Lean. Ladies' 5th Tina Packwood.

Longest Drive. Men-Aaron Harper. Ladies-Maxine Waugh.

Men's gross: John Meinhold

Ladies Club Day (18 Holes) Tues 12th Sept. Handicap Matchplay. Stableford.

1st Lynn Philp 38pts. 2nd Christine Meinhold 34pts.

Pauanui Cup Final. Won by Karen Heaven / Lynn Philp.

Men's Club Day Wed 13th Sept. Crisp Trophy, Net, 26 Players.

=1st-John Meinhold + Andy Bolton. =3rd-Graham Alexander + Mark Follas.

N.T.P.4+13-Michael Browne. 8+17-Colin Blythe. 2's-Glen Lawton, Colin Blythe, Roger

Fulton. Match: Senior Matchplay Championship. D Crisp v R Verrall.

D. Crisp won. Visitor: John Piper.

Mixed Club Day Sat 16th Sept. Presidents Trophies, Shootout Qualifier, Pines, Net.

N.T.P: Hole 9. Men-Ray Verrall. Ladies-2nd shot #9 Judy McKenzie.

Twos: Graham Alexander (3), Andy Bolton (2), Ray Verrall, Lynn Philp and Wendy Fulton all one each. Results: 1st-Andy Bolton 54. 2nd-Graham Alexander 55. =3rd Christine Meinhold and Hugh Masters.

Mens Club Day Wed 20th Sept. Combined, Captains Choice. (Pairs, Net). 21 plyrs.

Results: 1st Rob Stewart/Rodney Goodrick. 2nd Bob Howarth/Butch Jenkins.

=3rd Tony Cogan/Ian Smith and Jack O'Halloran/Ray Verrall.

Twos: Garry Reynolds, Andy Bolton, Rodney Goodrick, Alan Brierley all 1 each.

Mixed Club Day Sat 23rd Sept. Lakes, Net. 1st-Alan Brierley 59, 2nd-John Meinhold 60, 3rd-Christine Meinhold 61, Twos: Ian Smith 1.

Ladies Club Day 18 Holes. Lakes, Captains Choice

Results: 1^{st} - Carol Maxwell, 2^{nd} - Karen Heaven, 3^{rd} - Carolyn Wade. Twos-nil N.T.P. 2^{ND} SHOT #8-Wendy Hook.

Men's Club Day Wed 27th Sept.4 Ball Best Ball, Stableford, Lakes. 22 Players.

Results: 1st-John Robinson, 2nd -John Maxwell, 3rd -Butch Jenkins.

N.T.P. #9 Rob Stewart, #18 nil. Twos-Graham Alexander, Gordon Bennett, Paul Jeffery, Ian Smith and Graeme McHoull all one each.

Jimmy Buffet Vice Captain

9 Hole Ladies Golf Report – September 2023

The amount of golf we play is totally dependent on the weather that we receive and this month it has been kind to us. Both our courses are looking superb thanks to the hard working green keepers and their volunteers. We were able to complete all 3 rounds of our strokeplay competition and next week 9th October our matchplay will commence.

- **4th September** Irish Stableford 1st Tina Packwood 40 stbfrds, 2nd Shelley Bennett 36 Stbfrds, 3rd Marian Gunson 33 stbfrds. NTP Tina Packwood.
- $\mathbf{11}^{\text{th}}$ **September** $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ round Strokeplay $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ Tina Packwood, $\mathbf{2}^{\text{nd}}$ equal Shelley Bennett and Marian Gunson. NTP Marian Gunson.
- **14/15**th **September** our turn came around again to "man" the raffle desk. There was only a small group on both nights but, as always, we enjoyed being involved with club events
- **18th September** 2nd round Strokeplay 1st Tina Packwood, 2nd Shelley Bennett, 3rd Lynn Kime. NTP Colleen Witt
- **21**st **September** Another very successful Heather Christie Memorial Tournament was held; several of us played, had lots of fun and some success with receiving prizes. Our girls provided the morning tea and manned the kitchen.
- **25**th **September** Cancelled due to heavy rain and wind. A committee meeting to organize the rest of the year's events was held. Not a wasted morning and good coffee and chat ensued.
- **2nd October** 3rd round Strokeplay completed, plus LGU net/ putting/shootout. 1st equal Tina Packwood, Marian Gunson, Shelley Bennett, 16 putts, 2nd equal Cushla Peers, Lynn Friedrich 19 putts. NTP Tina Packwood.

Excited about stable weather, beautiful clear skies and warm temperatures. All we need now is the road to open up again over the hill. Happy golfing to you all.

Lynn Kime Convenor

MIXED 9-HOLE GOLF REPORT - 7 October 2023

Another busy month of golf for our Mixed 9 Hole players. The final of our Matchplay Competition was played last Thursday. It was a little disappointing to only have ten players but great to see the final was a mixed match between Vicki Hindmarsh and Robert van Kampen. Robert was the winner on the day.

Numbers have been lower than usual over the last two weeks with it being school holidays.

So far, we have 22 players entered in our upcoming Mixed 9 Hole Tournament on 19th October to be played at the Pines course. Let's hope the weather holds and we get a lovely warm spring day.

The 30th of September was the end of our financial year, and we have our AGM on Thursday 9th November starting at approximately 11.30am, following our club day golf. As I am stepping down from being Convener, I am looking for nominations to fill the position.

The final for our Shootout competition is to be played on 16th November.

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| 8/9/2023 | W6 | Gordon Bennett | 69 | 9/16/2023 | Andy Bolton | 54 |
| 9/16/2023 | S7 | Andy Bolton | 70 | 8/9/2023 | Jimmy Buffett | 54 |
| 6/7/2023 | W4 | Alan Brierley | 62 | 9/6/2023 | Roger Fulton | 57 |
| 9/6/2023 | W7 | Doug Crisp | 68 | 7/5/2023 | Nev Hooper | 58 |
| 3/11/2023 | S2 | Gary Jenkin | 61 | 7/5/2023 | Brian James | 58 |
| 10/18/2023 | W8 | Barrie Jones | 68 | 3/11/2023 | Gary Jenkin | 52 |
| 5/10/2023 | W3 | Hugh Masters | 65 | 10/18/2023 | Barrie Jones | 56 |
| 5/6/2023 | S3 | John Meinhold | 58 | 7/5/2023 | John Maxwell | 58 |
| 7/5/2023 | W5 | Gary Reynolds | 70 | 5/6/2023 | John Meinhold | 54 |
| 3/4/2023 | S1 | Ian Smith | 64 | 6/10/2023 | Ken Philp | 59 |
| 6/10/2023 | S4 | Nigel Smith | 66 | 6/7/2023 | Gary Reynolds | 53 |
| 7/1/2023 | S5 | Rob Stewart | 63 | 5/10/2023 | Bill Singer | 55 |
| 8/5/2023 | S6 | Ray Verrall | 73 | 3/4/2023 | Ian Smith | 57 |
| | | | | 7/1/2023 | Rob Stewart | 54 |
| | | | | 8/5/2023 | Ray Verrall | 63 |
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| SHOOTOUT BEST THREE 2023 | | | | | | |
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| 2 | Jones, Barrie | 167 | | | | |
| 3 | Singer, Bill | 169 | | | | |
| 4 | Meinhold, John | 171 | | | | |
| 5 | Stewart, Rob | 173 | | | | |
| 6 | Brierley, Alan | 174 | | | | |
| 7 | Maxwell, John | 174 | | | | |
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| 19 | McKenzie, John | 178 | | | | |
| 20 | Fulton, Roger | 178 | | | | |
| 21 | Philp, Ken | 178 | | | | |
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| 23 | Bolton, Andrew | 180 | | | | |
| 24 | Jenkins, Butch | 181 | | | | |
| 26 | Gooch, Doug | 186 | | | | |
| 29 | Ebert, Dennis | 188 | | | | |
| 30 | Hook, Peter | 194 | | | | |
| 25 | Van Kampen, Robert | Not Three | | | | |
| 27 | Sheehan, Tuk | Not Three | | | | |
| 28 | Clarke, Brett | Not Three | | | | |
| 31 | Gaston, Gerry | Not Three | | | | |

Please let Ian Smith know if you will be unable to play on the date, so we can ensure a full field of 19.

Rules Corner

Playing Wrong Ball

We have seen a number of situations lately where the wrong ball has been played. This is always unfortunate and can lead to unhappiness all round. The ruling is very clear – loss of hole in match play and two stroke penalty in stroke play (whether playing gross, net or stableford).

But let me go to a couple of situations:

- 1. On Wednesday, on the Pines 4th hole, I thought my tee shot had landed in the bunker. I got up there and, yes, there was a ball in the bunker. I went to play it, before seeing it didn't have my mark on it, and the ball was actually Wayne's. My ball was actually in the hole, a hole-in-one. So what if I had played Wayne's ball in the bunker?
 - The answer here is that I had already completed the hole, so there is no penalty.
- 2. Playing normal strokeplay net day, on the Pines #1 the drive is hit to the left into the rough. A ball is played, and continued to be played up to the green, where it is found to be the wrong ball (a lost ball, not belonging to any player in the flight). It is clearly a 2 stroke penalty. But when is the penalty added on? At the green, or back where it is thought the error occurred?

The player has to go back to where the error is thought to have occurred, find the original ball and replay the shots, adding the 2 stroke penalty. But if the original tee shot cannot be found within the allowed 3 minutes, the tee shot is deemed lost and the player actually has to go back to the tee box and start again at 3 of the tee. No additional penalty added for wrong ball.

These examples demonstrate how important it is to have your ball clearly marked and to always check your ball before playing it.



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