



Coringa News



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SATURDAY'S MATCH

This Saturday is a Russian Roulette round off the Blue or White tees.

In a Russian Roulette competition, a team of 2 players have their Stableford scores multiplied together for each hole.

For example, Bob and John score a 2 and a 2 on the first; this will make their combined score a 4. However, if Bob had a 0, this will make their combined score 0 even if John played well. If you play in a three the lowest handicapped player teams with both of the others to create two matches.

The Shootout applies for the day and we are now up to 44 participants and it is still not too late to enter. The competition does run until November! Check the web site for the details of where you stand.

Last week's raffle winners:

John McCabe (260); Dennis Rae (4 & 31); Paul Snape (42); Richard Kingsbury (38).

The proposed programme until the end of June is:

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| May | 15 | Sat | Russian Roulette –Blue / White tees. Shootout. Match Committee meeting – 9:30am |
| | 18 | Tue | Ladies - Stableford |
| | 19 | Wed | WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee. |
| | 20 | Thu | Ladies – Visitors Day 9-Hole Men's Group – Par - Yellow tees |
| | 22 | Sat | Stoke – White tees. Qualifying Howarth Salvors (best 8 in 4 grades to qualify) Shootout |
| | 25 | Tue | Ladies - Stableford |
| | 26 | Wed | Ellesmere Watering Tournament |
| | 27 | Thu | Ladies - LGU Men's Group – Stableford - Yellow tees. |

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| | 29 | Sat | American Stableford – White tees 1st round Matchplay Howarth Salvors – (White tees on handicap). Shootout |
| June | 1 | Tue | Ladies – Val Sutherland |
| | 2 | Wed | Lone Star Group WATERING TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees. 10.30 am start; (\$15 entry fee.). |
| | 3 | Thu | Ladies – Betty McBirdie Men’s Group – Stroke – Jerry Attick Trophy – Yellow tees. |
| | 5 | Sat | Queen’s Birthday Weekend Stroke – Black/ White tees Winter ringers – 1 st round. |
| | 6 | Sun | Sunday – Members Golf |
| | 8 | Tue | Ladies – Best Nett trophy / LD |
| | 9 | Wed | WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee. |
| | 10 | Thu | Ladies – Stableford Trophy Men’s Group – Stableford - White tees |
| | 12 | Sat | 4BBB Stableford – White tees Random Drawn fours after 10.30 am. Semi-finals Howarth Salvors – (White tees on handicap). Shootout Winter ringers. |
| | 13 | Sun | Sunday – Members Golf |
| | 15 | Tue | Ladies – Mid-Winter Lunch (possible help required) |
| | 16 | Wed | WEDNESDAY TOURNAMENT – Stableford – White Tees - 11 am start; \$10 entry fee. |
| | 17 | Thu | Ladies - LGU Men’s Group – Par - Yellow tees |
| | 19 | Sat | Stableford – Blue / Yellow tees Start of Rep Trial Process – Blue/ Black tees. Shootout Finals Howarth Salvors – (White tees on handicap). Winter ringers. |
| | 20 | Sun | Sunday – Members Golf |
| | 22 | Tue | Ladies – Stableford / LD |
| | 23 | Wed | Ellesmere Watering Tournament |
| | 24 | Thu | Ladies - Stableford Men’s Group –Stableford - Yellow tees |
| | 26 | Sat | Irish Stableford – White tees. Rep Trial Process – Black tees. |

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BLANK CUP TEAM TRIALS

This year six Saturdays will be set aside for Interclub Blank Cup Trials during the period 19th June 2020 to 24th July 2021.

So for those interested in participating please provide email AND phone details to John Rademakers at john.rademakers@xtra.co.nz or 027 2237705.

Entry list updates will be circulated via the Coringa newsletter.

Rules and Conditions

1. The trial rounds will be played off a combination of Blue tees and Black Tees, a minimum of 5 scores over the 6-week period.
2. An 8-man team will be selected with 2 reserves.
With the exception of health ailments or injury all selected players (including reserves) are expected to be available for the Blank Cup competition during August / September and early October with Finals on 21st November. If you cannot commit to these dates then do not expect to be selected.
Unavailability and unreliability means we constantly must draw 'fill in' players.
3. Triallists must have a fellow triallist scoring their card. If you are unable to lock in a fellow triallist contact the selector to approve a playing partner / scorer.
4. All Triallists must submit at least 5 scores.
5. Adjusted Gross scores on NZ Golf (ie Gross score, less ESC's) will be recorded. A running average score will be calculated each week to determine ranking. A weekly leader board will be circulated.
6. NO GIMMEE PUTTS! (Gimmee putts create bad habits!).
7. Those who choose to play 6 rounds will be averaged over 6 scores.
8. In the event of ties for the 8th spot an 18-hole match play playoff will determine the result.
9. Any player that starts a trial round and then walks off mid-round because they are playing poorly will get a score of 99 slapped on them!
10. If adverse weather results in cancelled play – selectors will endeavour to reset an extra trial day

CLUB NEWS

New Members

We welcome the following two new members this week:

Matthew Bloomfield Eunice Shin

Do not hesitate to ask from the pro shop or any of the members how the club functions and the different competitions we run throughout the week. Most importantly do enjoy your time at Coringa.

Clubhouse Renovation

Painting continues and one can now easily see that the back has been broken and the changes are becoming more obvious. There has been plenty of hard work going in as we do more on a daily basis. Helpers this week have been Russell McGregor, Barry Nelson, Peter Marsh, Walter

Scott, David Harvey, Bill West, Alan Harrison, David Stead, James Angus, Malcolm Wratt and Paul Snape.

A note of apology to Geoff Miller who was left of the list of helpers last week. It has been great seeing members turn up day after day and even in chilly and unpleasant conditions to help. There has been plenty of camaraderie and banter in the team as we have fun getting together without the disappointment of poor golf shots. It is also a good reminder that a 'club' is more than just participation in the event.

We still have plenty to do to meet our challenge of completion by the end of May. Work continues tomorrow and each day next week with a variety of work at low and higher levels for those who have the extra confidence. Work usually occurs between 9.00am and 3.00pm although any time that can be given will be appreciated. We are now starting to get more top coating done so the finished look is becoming apparent.

Course Care

As a player / member we need your help to keep the course in the best condition possible. The course committee would like to remind you that that this involves raking bunkers – (even if you didn't make the footprint), to repair any pitch marks – (even if they are not yours) and to carry a sand bucket and repair divots that you see – (even if they are not yours!)

Café News

For the colder winter months Soup will be available on the menu.

- A cup of homemade soup with Toast / Bread (1 slice) \$5.50
- A bowl of homemade soup(2 ladles) with 2 slices of Toast / Bread \$9.40

THE MEN'S REPORT

This Saturday, the 15th of of May, the match of the day is a Russian roulette competition off both the blue and white tees, (see above). To help members with the competition Dot golf does all the calculations so just hand in your cards and you will see how well you have played. Again, I ask the majority of members to please play off the blue tees to take some pressure of the white tees, as we start to move into the winter!

Last Saturday, the 8th of of May, the match of the day was a stableford competition off both the blue and white tees. It was great to see 41 members decided to play off the blue tees and the pace of play was good again considering the dual tee use. I heard from the Alpha group who begin play from 11.30 that the front nine took 2.15 hours and the second nine 2 hours. The Match Committee's goal is four hours for 18 holes in the winter so the Alpha Group can get into the clubrooms before dark. I am sorry if I upset some players by talking through this issues while you are playing, but the priority is keeping up with the group in front and not allowing that gap to develop and get bigger in some cases! And please try to start on time!

In total 78 members entered the dual competitions and we had four divisions. There was once again some tremendous scoring with the best score from Alan Smith with 45 stablefords. Well played Al! The full results are available on the website, but the summary is.

Blue Division One:

David Harvey on 38 from Allan McLelland on 37.

Blue Division Two:

Daniel Wilson on 41 from Peter Marsh and Don Redfern on 40. How a week can create a different golfer with DB winning the black tee competition last week and this week the tail end Charlie!

White Division One:

Bill West on 39.

White Division Two:

Alan Smith on 45 from Keith Yardley, Garden Lee and Doug Ames on 37. Obviously Dougy the love affair is still underway!

The Birdie hole number 8 was picked up by Lin Wang and Don Redfern and a nice \$56 each. The Net Eagle hole number 3 and Two's jackpot was not struck so sits at \$64.

Representative Team trials:

John Rademakers has kindly agreed to manage the trial process for the selection of Blank Cup side, so if you are a player who wishes to be part of the selection process please read Dutchy's portion of the newsletter.

Presidents:

The side finished with another good win on Sunday but unfortunately finished fourth. They beat the three side above them but lost to sides they should have beaten. Hard luck guys! Could I thank Paul Snape for managing the side throughout the year!

Woman's Golf:

It was great to hear from the Tuesday ladies that they are leading their Monday competition after a win against Russley. They have one more game at Rangiora, so the best of luck!

Champion of Champions:

John Rademakers, Malcolm Wratt and Duncan Shaw-Brown will present the Club at this year's Champion of Champions competition at Christchurch Golf Club on Sunday 13th June. Good luck guys.

Upcoming events:

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| 22 May | Qualifying Howarth Salvors Matchplay (best 8 in 4 grades to qualify) |
| 29 May | Howarth Salvors Matchplay begins |
| 19 June | Representative Team trials begin off Black and Blue tee |

Closest to the Pin:

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| Previous week (8 May) | James Willetts |
| This week (15 May) | Daniel Bushby |
| Following Week (22 May) | Dean Morris |

Complaints:

If any member has a complaint associated with the Men's club, could they please email me the complaint! My email address is David.Harvey@xtra.co.nz, and please do not share your issue with the staff. Complaints particularly on Saturdays relating to honesty, players failing to meet the starting times, pace of play or other issues are for the **Match Committee** to sought out and not Barry's problem!

Note: There is a Match Committee meeting scheduled for this Saturday at 9:30am, so please contact me if there are any issues you would like discussed there.

Membership Welfare:

If you know of anyone else who is not so well, then let me know their number and I can ring and offer help!

Remember the goal at Coringa is to enjoy yourself both on and off the course!

David Harvey
Men's Captain

LADIES REPORT

Inter club

Coringa won their semi-final against Pegasus 71-57. They are now in the final on Monday 17th to be played at Rangiora against Russley. Good luck ladies

Don't forget visitor's day next Thursday. If you have not put your name on the notice in the ladies' locker room and are planning to be there, with or without a friend can you PLEASE let Myra know.

Saturday Golf

Five of the Saturday golfers went to try their luck at Terrace Downs. There were a few challenges including 70 knot winds. Tracey Bruce and Anne Keh found that the big boulders provided some added assistance with their balls catapulting off them onto the middle of the #1 fairway. Anne Morgan and Faye Beckinsale found the water on the number 3. However, Faye had a great recovery with a very long putt, into the hole. Overall the scores were not that flash but much fun was had by all. This was followed by a lovely lunch at the restaurant

Tee times for Saturday 15th 9.06 and 9.12am

Sunday Golf

On Sunday there were only two players. Anne Keh managed 50 gross which was in stark contrast to Saturday's effort

The Sunday golfers tee off 10.30 -1045.

Tuesday

Today's game was Nett score. 6 players played. 1st Myra Story with 38. 2nd Ellen Buttriss with 40 and 3rd Janice McPhail with 41 on a count back.

Thursday

Ten played for Stablefords to go towards the end of year Stableford trophy. Today's winners were Ellen Buttriss with 20 Stablefords, from Janet Harland on a count back from Myra Story both with 18 Stablefords

A small but dedicated group of 18-hole ladies play Tuesday and Thursday starting at 9am.
Myra Story

INTERCLUB

Presidents:

The final round of Presidents Interclub this year was a dead rubber with Templeton already deemed the winner.

That did not deter the Coringa team though of trying to upstage them and ensure that we had beaten each of the three teams ahead of us on the ladder. In a day of mostly close matches Coringa overcame Templeton 6-2 after some determined efforts. Five of the eight



matches went down the last hole with Coringa winning three and earning two halves. Winners on the day were Albert Yee, Vance Hetaraka, Lex Halford, Russell McGregor and Pete Marsh. Gordy McCoy and Paul Snape fought bravely for their halves and Murray Angus unfortunately could not produce his usual high quality golf to allow Templeton one win. So in the end we finished fourth overall. This was another great performance but one that could have been better. Next year we will again have a round robin where we play all teams, but it will be in a shortened season. To help with this we will need to build a larger squad as there will undoubtedly be more players unavailable on a more regular basis. For those who are keen handicaps need to be between 10 and 24 for your first game. Look out for the calling for names in the next couple of months. The new season begins at the end of August.

Paul Snape (Player / Manager)

WEDNESDAY GOLF

Wednesday \$10 'Lone Star Group' Tournament:

On Wednesday 19th May we again have our \$10 'Lone Star Group' Tournament.

The participating Men and Women play for eight meat prizes from **New World Bishopdale**, and two closest to the pins.

Just one last comment please remember the tournament starts from 10.30 am and the purpose of the tournament is about getting people into the clubrooms and not just golf. Please don't complain if you choose to hit off early and then you have to wait around for the prize giving!

THURSDAY MEN'S GROUP

A frosty morning and a chilly NE breeze for another good field of 30 in a Stableford match off the White tees. The greens were a lot slower than recent times, but still running true although the scoring did not reflect this.

The full results were as follows:

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| 1 st | Andrew Wight | 39 |
| 2 nd | John Matthews | 36 (by lot and I won't ask him again!!!!) |
| 3 rd | Chris Cottrell | 36 |
| 4 th | Paul Gnad | 35 |
| 5 th | Jim Anderson | 35 |
| 6 th | Spencer Wicks | 35 |

It should be noted that the next person (I'm looking at you Wing!!!) who does not leave his card in the shop to be drawn will be paying for stress counselling for the organiser. Nothing worse than 30 names and 29 cards!!! Look forward to another good field next week and in the meantime good golfing to all.

Chris Cottrell

For Thursday Men.

AND NOW

The Mushrooms

She wanted to serve her guests mushroom-smothered steak, but she had no mushrooms and no time to buy them.

Her husband suggested, "Why don't you go pick some of the mushrooms that are growing wild down by the stream?"

"No --- some wild mushrooms are poisonous."

"Well, I see squirrels eating them and they're OK."

So she picked a bunch and washed, sliced and sautéed them for her dinner. Then she went out on the back porch and gave Spot, their dog, a double handful. Spot ate every bit.

All morning long, she watched the dog. The wild mushrooms hadn't affected him after a few hours, so she decided to use them.

The meal was a great success.

After everyone had finished, her daughter came in and whispered in her ear, "Mum, Spot is dead."

Trying to keep her head about her, she left the room as quickly as possible, called the doctor and told him what had happened.

The doctor said, "That's bad, but I think we can take care of it. I'll call for an ambulance and I'll be there as quickly as I can. We'll give everyone enemas and we'll pump out their stomachs and everything will be fine. Just keep them calm."

Before long they started to hear the sirens as the ambulance tore down the road. The paramedics and the doctor had their suitcases, syringes, and a stomach pump. One by one, they took each person into the bathroom, gave them an enema, and pumped out their stomach.

Well after midnight, after the last one was done the doctor came out and said, "Everything will be okay now," and with that he left.

The hosts and the guests were all weak and knackered and were sitting around in the living room when the daughter came in and said to her mum..... "I can't believe that guy!"

"What guy?"

"You know --- the B***** who ran over Spot ---- he didn't even slow down."

If any of you have news that would be appropriate for this newsletter, please email it me at: jfbrettell@gmail.com.

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