

Club Captain Report – Gary Crawford

HI Dee HI Golfers!!

Club Champs is starting to get down to the business end of the comp, and I'm still unsure who to put my money on in the juniors, but my pick for the seniors is **Paul R.** He's an "ice-cool" player and after taking out Carey Hobbs (*fantastic result Paul*) he's going to be hard to beat. But there are still some other hot golfers in that division, **Kingston**, who should be over his Covid experience, has yet to play **Darryl B** (*that's going to be a good match*)- it's like (*the young Vs the old....er or the beauty Vs the Beast*). In the Intermediates, it's hard to look past **Kerry E**, a solid, steady player, but once again, there are some hot golfers that Kerry still has to contend with. In the Limits, **Darren R** is hard to look past but **Barry B** is running hot at the moment so who knows? Anyway - That's my pick!!!

For all those who are still in the club champs, please ensure all semi-final matches have been played and are up to date by **30th April**. Time is starting to run out and we will need to know who will be playing in the finals on the **7th of May**. If a player can't play on the date that's in the program book and an alternative date can't be agreed on, then the player that couldn't play the original date forfeits the match. Can the winners of their matches please ensure they put their names up on the flow chart.? This helps others to get in touch with you to organize matches and it's interesting for the rest of us to see how you are all doing. .

And remember! When you see the ducks walking, you know it's too windy to be playing golf.....



Taranaki Solar Twilight's final night was last Thursday evening. A **big thank you goes to Tony Pope for sponsoring** our Twilight for the last 3 or 4 years. It has been great having your support Tony and this has helped to make this fun competition so successful. I would also like to **thank Joy East and Fiona Rook** for the work they do. They have made my job much easier by being there from the start of the

night and working through to the end alongside **Helen Watt and Marie Rayner** on occasion. Once again, my dinner was fantastic thanks to our new cookie monsters. A **big thank you also to the green staff and all the volunteers** that do so much work in keeping our course to the high standard that it is.

We had **75 players at Thursday's Twilight**, The best we have ever had at Manu, Well done and thank you to everybody that played over the season and supported our twilight golf.. The top players for the night were **Kerry Rawlinson with 21 points** in the 6 and under division, **Mike Letterman with 21 points** in the over 6 division, and **Svala Garner with 20 points** in the ladies division. There were lots of players who collected meat packs for their scores and twos on the night as well so well done to all of you.

Chase the Ace, - what a night!!! 15 cards were face down and \$563.50 in the pot. The Ace of Spades went early in the hunt and **Kevin R took \$140 away**. 9 other players had their cards picked and all failed to find the "AOH". Then the big winner of the night (*who got 2nd in his division and won a raffle that he donated back to the club*) was called up. **MR RODNEY JUPP who picked the Ace of Hearts and with that won \$423.50**. Good for you Rodney!

Saturday's Haggie was nett and the winners' names will be put up on the board for you to take a look if you think you might have won a voucher.

In the Pennant competitions, all 3 teams lost on Sunday, so that's the end of it for the men's teams, (*my opponent even used the 3 ugliest words in golf on me, "still your turn".*) The ladies still have matches to play in their round robin so good luck to you. On **Sunday 10th April, the course will be closed until 12pm** because the Men's Pennant Quarterfinals are being held at Manukorihi. **Gazza**

President's Report

Covid Policy Update



Whilst it is tempting to relax a little after two long years of Covid-19 in New Zealand, cases of the Omicron variant are still prevalent in Taranaki and across the country. Accordingly, on Monday the Government decided to leave the whole country in the Covid Protection Framework Red traffic light category for a while longer. However there are now several relaxations in place which we are able to apply:

- ❖ Scanning in or signing in upon arrival is no longer required.
- ❖ The limit for indoor gatherings has been increased to 200 persons.
- ❖ My Vaccine Passes do not need to be shown to enter the clubhouse – which logically means that it is no longer practical to deny clubhouse entry to unvaccinated individuals, who we allow to play golf on our course. However unvaccinated individuals may still choose to stay out of the clubhouse for now.

A reminder of other rules still to be followed:

- ❖ Please stay away if you are feeling unwell at all.
- ❖ **Please wear a mask when entering the clubhouse** while food or drink is being served, and keep the mask on except when seated.
- ❖ Please follow 1m physical distancing guidelines in the clubhouse as far as practicable.
- ❖ If you contract Covid-19, it is now a self-management situation, with home isolation for seven days required before you will be able to re-join the outside world.

Thank you in anticipation of your ongoing cooperation.

Richard Crowe



Greenkeeper Stratty Report

Well some much needed rain is here , the course is very patchy from the dry but is on the improve, hopefully by finals day it will be somewhere close to my expectations! The greens were Vertidraind last week and have recovered quickly and will continue to do as the brown patch / dry patch areas recover , these areas will become less and less with more coring/ aeration and sanding .

Many thanks to all my volunteers you guys and gals are amazing and I'm sure the members can see the Manu country club 😊 improving as every month goes by 🙌

Good luck to those still alive in the club champs , also remember we have the **national vets here from 25th April** all help much appreciated to give them our course as good as we can

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact me anytime.

Cheers Stratty
KARL STRATTON
 Stratton Livestock
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Easter Raffle

Huge thanks for the support on our annual Easter raffle. Very much appreciated.

Winners were - Nathan Lopyy, Bev Hall, C. Marlo, Fay Rowe, Joy East and Kale M.

Enjoy your treats 🍷 *Marie*



Saturday Ladies Golf Report

Weekend ladies played the **first round of Nancy McCormack**. **Jo and Rachelle played a blinder** and came away with a 65 Nett, followed by Lesley and Jude with 73 Nett, so there's a bit of catching up to be done in the 2nd round being played this weekend.

Esther and Andrea played their semi-final for the Match Play Championship - this went right down to the wire with **Esther winning on the 18th - great match ladies**. Esther will now play Nicole in the final on the 7th May

Weekend Ladies Pennant team had a loss this weekend, we played Kaitake at Kaitake - special mention goes to Rachelle who continued her good form from Saturday winning her match.

This weekend is the 2nd round of Nancy McCormack with the rest of the field playing Stableford.

Good golfing ladies

Jude

Tuesday Ladies Golf Report - Jo Foreman

A very pleasant day for golf and the rain stayed away but the course looks like it needs some badly.

The **9 - holers** played Stableford and **Nancy and Colleen were the winners**.

Your putting results: Merryn 3/14, Rhonda 2/15 and Julie & Sarah 1/16.

The **18 - holers** also played Stableford and the winner of **Division 1 was Jude with 40 pts and Bev Division 2 with 38 pts**.

Mary and Pauline were the lucky winners of the drawn 2s.

Next week the *starter is Pauline*. *Jo*



NEW WORLD

Wednesday New World Golf Day

The weather did not look too flash early morning which is why the numbers were down in many cases.

A field of 10 played in good weather and the game was nett.

John Rayner 70, \$10;

Les Wildman 72, Peter Pearce 73, John Chandler 74, all got \$5.

Les Wildman had the only 2 on the day and got 2 balls.

There were 4 lucky raffle winners.

Cheers ... Phil Wilson

Volunteers Corner

Over a lot of years our garden fairies work hard on the gardens by the club house and on the 1st tee.



Huge thanks to Jo Foreman and Fay Rowe for your volunteer work in this area. Another job in the background that members take on to make our club a better place.

Volunteer of the week needs to go to Fay for her cleaning work in the course toilet. This is much appreciated when we take a little break while playing. These little jobs are huge for a club.

Thanks Fay



Tee Booking Trial

We now know that the interval between tee times was too short so it has been changed from 6 minutes to 8 minutes. This will not start until Saturday 9th April as bookings had already been made for the 2nd April and making a change to that too difficult.

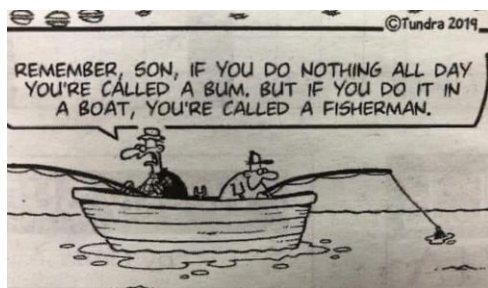
NOTE

- The booked tee time is the time you and your fellow players should be on the tee hitting the ball.
- You need arrange to arrive at the club early enough to get organised and walk down to the 1st Tee and be ready to go when it's your turn.
- Any problems give me a ring on 0278788771.

Cheers Ian & Martin

April Bar Roster		
<i>Again a huge thanks to the volunteers that serve us all on a Saturday, very much appreciated. At the end of the day if anyone wants to help fill the fridge up that would be a great help to our volunteers. Many hands make like work.</i>		
Date	Time to 2pm	Time 2pm to 5pm
9th	Kerry E	Shane W
16 th	Vandels	Nicole
23rd	Greg F	Jody & Stacey
30th	Vandels	John R

FUNNIES



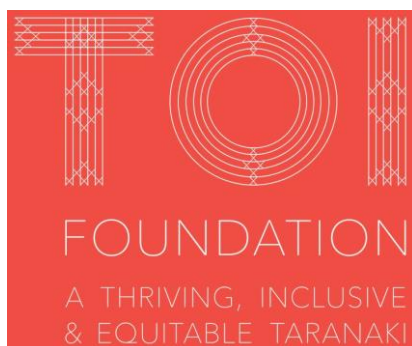
Golfing Tips

WHEN IN TROUBLE !!! - GET IT OUT 1ST TIME ???

We have a saying in Pro Golf – LEARN to drop 1 shot but not 2 – 3 or 4 !!!

I know it is sometimes difficult to resist the temptation of attempting the “miracle save,” but believe me only 1 out of 10 comes off & that’s generous. When you reflect on your round in the bar, you finish up saying “if only ???” So next time when in trees or in trouble try the safe shot, sideways with a 5 – 7 iron or even the wedge not the “3 wood !!!”

Good Luck & Happy Golfing. Your Personal Pro John Garner



WARM WELCOME to OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

April 2022

Paul Douglas

March 2022

Adam Jane

Malcolm Elder

Daryl Warburton

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Jay Deuart

February 2022

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Neville Jans

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**Monday 25th April 2022
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Easter Golf Open

Fitzroy Golf Course, Friday 15th April



**All Affiliated players welcome
18 Hole Cross, Net and Stableford competition
Limited Field
Multiple Divisions:**

Entry Fee \$30, includes Twos, closest to pin and longest drive. Raffles available.

Tee off times 08:30am - 10.00am 2 tees

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Rules corner: Ball moved

I have been asked several times, and again on Saturday, “what happens if I accidentally hit my ball with my practice swing”? I was rather surprised the number of times I have been asked this question. A typical golf course is over 100 acres, I cant understand for the life of me why anyone would take a practice swing so close to their ball. Still it obviously happens so the answer can be found in

Rule #9.4b all Lifted or Moved by Player

This Rule applies only when it is known or virtually certain that a player (including the player’s caddie) lifted his or her ball at rest **or caused it to move.**

a. When Lifted or Moved Ball Must Be Replaced

If the player lifts his or her ball at rest or causes it to move, the ball must be replaced on its original spot (which if not known must be estimated) (see Rule 14.2), except:

- When the player lifts the ball under a Rule to take relief or to replace the ball on a different spot (see Rules 14.2d and 14.2e), or
- When the ball moves only after the player has begun the stroke or the backswing for a stroke and then goes on to make the stroke (see Rule 9.1b).

b. Penalty for Lifting or Deliberately Touching Ball or Causing It to Move

If the player lifts or deliberately touches his or her ball at rest **or causes it to move, the player gets one penalty stroke.**

But there are four exceptions:

Exception 1 – Player Allowed to Lift or Move Ball: There is no penalty when the player lifts the ball or causes it to move under a Rule that:

- Allows the ball to be lifted and then replaced on its original spot,
- Requires a moved ball to be replaced on its original spot, or
- Requires or allows the player to drop or place a ball again or to play a ball from a different place.

Exception 2 – Accidental Movement Before Ball Is Found: There is no penalty when the player accidentally causes the ball to move while trying to find or identify it (see Rule 7.4).

Exception 3 – Accidental Movement on Putting Green: There is no penalty when the player accidentally causes the ball to move on the putting green (see Rule 13.1d), no matter how that happens.

Exception 4 – Accidental Movement Anywhere Except on Putting Green While Applying Rule: There is no penalty when the player accidentally causes the ball to move anywhere except on the putting green while taking reasonable actions to:

- Mark the spot of the ball or lift or replace the ball, when allowed to do so (see Rules 14.1 and 14.2),
- Remove a movable obstruction (see Rule 15.2),
- Restore worsened conditions, when allowed to do so (see Rule 8.1d),
- Take relief under a Rule, including in determining whether relief is available under a Rule (such as swinging a club to see if there is interference from a condition), or where to take relief (such as determining the nearest point of complete relief), or
- Measure under a Rule (such as to decide the order of play under Rule 6.4).

To summarize the question asked, Once your ball is in play (you have teed off) if you accidentally hit your ball with your practice swing, the ball must be replaced and you receive a one stroke penalty.



Happy golfing from the Ref Gary

