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Newsletter Spring 2019

Election of Officers and Committee at the AGM 11 September 2019:

Welcome to new committee members Richard Hawkins, Garth Mitchell, Maria Narbey, and Simon Hadfield and returning member Diane Kay. Thank you to the outgoing committee members and those who attended the AGM.

Club Patron	Barry Brownie
President	Gary Knight
Vice President	Ian Whenmouth (<i>Twilight Coordinator</i>)
Club Captain	Ken Elliott
Vice-Captain	Richard Hawkins
Treasurer	Garth Mitchell
Women's Captain	Meg Errington
Women's Vice-Captain	Maria Narbey
Greens Supervisor	Owen Barnes (<i>Course Construction and Raffle coordinator</i>)
Committee	Simon Hadfield (<i>Promotions coordinator</i>) Noeline Kelly Diane Kay (<i>Events Catering coordinator</i>) Jon Clark
Club Secretary	Rachael Court (<i>Asset Manager</i>)

Non-committee positions:

Dads Army	John Kelland & Ben Hutchinson
Machinery R&M	Hamish Kay
Central Canterbury Rep	Hamish Kay

2019-20 membership invoices

Membership invoices for the 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020 membership period were emailed out on 13 September. Thank you to those who have paid, your membership card and bag tag are available for collection at the office.

Reminder: To be eligible to enter Club Championships and Club Trophies you need to be a financial member.



Recent wins

Men's Stroke Play Championships (final round played 12 October):

Senior Men – Hamish Vogan;

Intermediate - Ken Elliott;

Junior – Mike Regan

Seafield Tray for Best Nett Stroke over three rounds – James Anderson

Murray Davis Memorial (Mixed 18 holes combined stableford) – **Grant Robertson and Fran Anderson 71**

Aileen Newton Judi Grant and Gail Turney

Frank Free Cup Judi Grant

Men's Banks Peninsula Championship held at Charteris Bay on Sunday 8 September - congratulations to **Hayden Clinton** on winning the Seniors and **Simon Hadfield** taking out the Intermediate. Akaroa is hosting next year's Men's BP Champs on 6th September 2020.

Trophies for engraving

Please drop into the office any trophies for engraving by 28th October, in preparation for Trophy (Closing) Day on 23 November.

Weekend Supervisor

At the start of October we welcomed Jenny Clark as our weekend supervisor. Please introduce yourself to Jenny next time you are playing at the weekend.

Akaroa and Bays Lions Golf Tournament

Friday 8th November is the annual Akaroa and Bays Lions Golf Tournament. We encourage our membership to enter themselves and their teams in the Lions Tournament asap and assist organisers by not leaving it to the last minute.

Entry numbers are limited and prizes are exceptional. It's a great fun day and a very worthy charity event, the second biggest on the lions fund raising calendar. All monies raised are donated to local charities. The recipient of the \$10,000 major donation at this year's tournament will be the Duvauchelle Plunket Pre-school.

Flyer and entry form attached.

Twilight Tuesday Golf

Twilight kicks off Tuesday 5th November. 9 and 12 hole comps. Tee off 3-6pm, return to clubhouse by 7.30pm. \$15 non-member and \$5 member. Any questions please contact Twilight Coordinator Ian Whenmouth.



OCTOBER 2019

Women 9:30 a.m. Start

Sat	12	Mens Stroke Play Championships Final Round
Sun	13	Stableford
<i>Wed</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Women's Stroke Championships, Grace Thacker Trophy Rd 1</i>
Thur	17	Thursday Golfers Womens Invitation American Foursome. Men a Plate
Sat	19	Tim Rhodes Trophy Men's 4BBB Stableford. Drawn partners
Sun	20	Stableford <i>Entries for McIntosh Trophy</i>
<i>Wed</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>Women's Stroke Championships, Grace Thacker Trophy Rd 2</i>
Sat	26	Stableford - Shoot out qualifying and silent pairs
Sun	27	Stableford
Mon	28	Labour Day
<i>Wed</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>Women's Stroke Championships, Grace Thacker Trophy Rd 3</i>

NOVEMBER 2019

Sat	2	Medal Round Count Putts 8
Sun	3	Stroke
Mon	4	Fisher Cup
Tue	5	Twilight 12 Holes Starts Tee off 3.00-6.00pm
<i>Wed</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>Stableford</i>
Fri	8	Lions Club Tournament
Sat	9	Captains Trophy – Mens and Womens best nett
<i>Sun</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>Interclub Champions Day & Gross Stableford Bowl: Templeton</i> Stroke
Tue	12	Twilight 12 Holes
<i>Wed</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>Count Putts</i>
Fri	15	Canterbury Show Day
Sat	16	Stableford - Shoot out qualifying and silent pairs Yacht Club Tournament
Sun	17	Stroke
Tue	19	Twilight 12 Holes
<i>Wed</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>Akaroa Women's Teams Stableford Tournament</i> <i>Bring Plate & Raffle</i>



Sat	23	Trophy Day Merv Blackwell Trophy – Mixed 4BBB stableford Vice Presidents Cup – Mens 4BBB Bring a Partner & a Plate <i>Entries Close McIntosh Trophy</i>
Sun	24	<i>Women's Champions Day and Gross Stableford Rosebowl – Coringa</i>
Sun	24	Course Closed from 2pm for Greens Renovations
Mon to Thu		Greens Renovations- Course Closed. Voluntary Help needed.
Fri	29	Presidents & Secretaries Day: Russley
Sat	30	Bisque Par



In my hand I hold a ball, white and dimpled, rather small. Oh, how bland it does appear, this harmless looking little sphere.

By its size I could not guess, the awesome strength it does possess. But since I fell beneath its spell, I've wandered through the Fires of Hell.

My life has not been quite the same, since I chose to play this stupid game. It rules my mind for hours on end, a fortune it has made me spend.

It has made me yell, curse and cry, I hate myself and want to die. It promises a thing called par, if I can hit it straight and far.

To master such a tiny ball, should not be very hard at all. But all my desires the ball refuses, and it does exactly as it chooses.

It hooks and slices, dribbles and dies, and even disappears before my eyes. Often it will have a whim, to hit a tree or take a swim.

With miles of grass on which to land, it finds a tiny patch of sand. Then has me offering up my soul, if only it would find the hole.

It's made me whimper like a pup, and swear that I will give it up. And take to drink to ease my sorrow, but the ball knows ... I'll be back tomorrow.