

THE DRIVER

February 2015

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IMPORTANT REMINDER – Players using the practise fairway must always have their golf balls come to rest within the confines of the FGC. The only place a driver can be hit from is the matted area closest to the FGC entrance (weather dependent)! Please obey the signs.

Results

BMW New Zealand Open Challenge "Ultimate Queenstown Package"

The winner of Return Flights for 2 persons from any location in New Zealand to Queenstown, Accommodation (twin share or double) in Queenstown for 2 nights at the Double Tree by Hilton and entry into the BMW NZ Open including tickets to the Official Tournament Party and Corporate Hospitality on Saturday and Sunday in the Champions Lounge is Geoffrey Harper participating at Tauranga Golf Club.

Womens Club Captain - Lyn Humphrey

I am looking forward to being Club Captain for Feilding Women's Golf 2015. I know I have a huge learning curve ahead of me, but one I am happy to undertake as we have a fantastic group of ladies who all pitch in and work very well together. We are fortunate that we have amazing golf experience amongst us and members with many talents.



I put myself forward as a committee member for MWGI with the sole purpose of learning as much as I can to assist me in leading our committee and members forward in 2015. Also the opportunity this will provide me in getting up to speed with Pennants, National Golf, and just all things golf really. What is a Club Captain? The following is how I see the role:

- Members are considered, respected, listened to, and supported
- Members are kept up to date and clearly communicated to
- All information regarding home course competitions are documented and displayed in a timely manner
- Attend Ground Committee and Board Meetings
- Represent the Feilding Golf Club at all times in a friendly and professional manner

To me the most important aspect of being Club Captain is to continue the work done by past Club Captains in ensuring our members are enjoying their golfing experience. I am sure there is much more that I will learn along the way. I won't get it right all the time but I will give it my best shot.

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OFFICE HOURS
MON. – FRI.
9.30am – 12.30pm
1.30pm - 4.00pm

New Members:

MEN:
 Brad Sinclair
 Geoff Williams

WOMEN:
 Christine Drysdale



Members are reminded that Membership cards are required to be carried when the bar is open, and that all visitors who are not reciprocal golf club members are required to be signed in by a club member.

Coming Events



Junior Golf:

Registration Day – Tuesday 3rd at 4pm

February 2015:

Friday 6th – Waitangi Day – Open Tournament – Men & Ladies – Seymour Salvors Members Only 11.30am
 Saturday 14th – General Opening Day – Men & Ladies Mixed – 11.30am
 Wednesday 18th – Ladies Opening Day – 9.30am
 Thursday 19th – Mixed 9 Holes Opening Day – 9.30am
 Saturday 21st – Men’s Opening Day & Saturday Ladies Opening Day

Junior Golf

Our juniors have been busy during December. The first order of merit event to be played was the Danny Lee Open. Liam and Jayden both travelled to Rotorua to play in this. Jayden finished 30th with rounds of 77, 75 & 75 and Liam finished 43rd with rounds of 73, 80 & 78. Next it was off to Hamilton to compete in the North Island Under 19 Event. Liam had a particularly good result here, finishing 26th, with very consistent rounds of 75, 77 & 74. Jayden finished in 50th place with rounds of 81, 75 & 79. Jack Waller-Mott also played in this event for the first time. This weekend (24th -25th) Liam and Jayden are travelling to New Plymouth to play in a new event on the golfing calendar at the Ngamotu course. In this event the top 20 players from the first 36 holes go into the Elite Gross Division to play with a PGA Pro for the final 36 holes. We wish our boys well.

2015 Subscriptions



Final Day for payment is the 15th February and to also qualify for the Prompt Payment discount. Members who wish to pay their subscription off are requested to make regular payments and these forms are available at the Office. NZ Golf Dinners Credit cards are acceptable at the Office only 0.5% returned to the Club. All pennant players are required to be financial before the first pennant round on 15th February. Membership cards & bag tags will be ordered 16th February for financial members and available from the 23rd February.

Clubhouse Etiquette

1. Please remove caps, hats on entering the Clubhouse.
2. Members and guests responsibility to return glasses to the bar and place rubbish into the bins as you leave; return cups, plates and utensils to the dining area for cleaning.

It was noted last year that members left the Clubhouse without the curtesy of returning their used glasses, plates, etc. This year we would appreciate 100% compliance. Thank you.



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Nine Hole Club Captain - Clare Rowse

Welcome back to all 9 Holers for 2015, we are looking forward to a new season. 18 Holers are welcome to join us on Tuesday and Thursday mornings (Tuesday Social, Thursday Competition Day [\$2 per entry], but not eligible for 9 Hole Trophies).

To make it a little less crowded for Match Play at the end of the golfing year, the Match Play Salver will start at the end of April and Qualifying Rounds are brought forward to allow the Junior Plates to be played.



Coming Events:

Champion of Champions for 2014 will be played at Feilding on January 30th and for 2015 to be played at Palmerston North in November.

February 23rd – Open Day Palmerston North

March 2nd – Round Robin Marton

March 9th - Open Day Feilding

Good Golfing.

President – Trevor Ward

This year will see some exciting changes around the golf clubhouse in particular, after some great efforts from the previous committees and the fund raising teams over the last few years you will finally be able to see results of some of the hard work. Already we have replaced in the clubhouse the section of curtains in front of the bar and the rest will soon follow.



I'd also like to see some improvements to the furnishings in the clubhouse and the bar area to make it a more inviting area for the new members that we all need to try and attract to the club. This will all be overseen by the House and Bar committee and we will keep you informed. Changes to the balcony area are also in the plans to make the most of a great view across your course after the pains of a rough road. The balcony stairs at the far end (closest to the 18th green) will be removed, also the netting and timber balustrade, which will be replaced by glass. The banisters will be spruced up with a bit of paint, table tops replaced and the bar area updated.

We all need to be really conscious of the need to generate revenue for the club, this can be done in heaps of ways, through fundraising ideas, introducing new members, working around the course to keep the costs down... even talking to strangers in the clubhouse can go a long way. We need to remember the more income we can generate the less increase we need to put on the memberships at the end of the year, so tell everyone what we've got and show it off.

On the course I'd like to see it continue the progress that's been made over the last few years. The 18th green will be redesigned to give us more of a challenge and a more exciting hole to finish on. We are taking on board a professional golf course designer to get this right. We have a course to be proud of and I look forward to the next couple of years.

If people have ideas or plans they think could be beneficial, please let me know, any help is appreciated. Lastly, I hope you all have had a great holiday and got out there making the most of the summer run and got those handicaps down so we can struggle together to play to them over the winter.



The F.G.C. Board wish all members and families a very
Happy New Year.



Men's Club Captain – Tony Boxall

As Men's Club Captain my role, with the assistance of the Men's Match Committee Mike, Dave, Peter and Wayne, will be to keep the men's section of the club up to date with what is happening with regards to upcoming club events/competitions, the course and our Pennant teams, as well as ensuring any developments occurring within the wider golf community from Manawatu/Wanganui Golf or NZ Golf are passed on.



I first joined Feilding Golf Club in the late 90's and I am looking forward to assisting our membership where I can, and also welcoming the many visitors we will have during the 2015 Season. I welcome any members whether new or existing to get in touch at any time if you might have any questions or need anything.



MENS & LADIES TROPHY WEEKLY COMPETITION

Enter the weekly Pro's competition for an extra \$1 – just \$6 for this new and exciting format. Competition will start from Opening Day 2015 to Opening Day 2016. The best average stableford rounds played on Mens & Ladies Club Competition Day's only over one calendar year, decided on the best 21 stableford scores over this period.

SUBSCRIPTION DRAW

Every round played will get you into the draw for the PRO to pay 1 Subscription for a year to be drawn on Opening Day 2016. A minimum of 10 Rounds played to be eligible for this draw. If a Life Member should win they will get a \$500 voucher. Must be in the Clubhouse when the draw is made. For further details please see Don or Colleen in the PRO Shop.

MENS PRIZE LIST:

- Vouchers to the value of
- 1st \$700 + Trophy
- 2nd \$500
- 3rd \$300
- 4th \$250
- 5th \$200
- 6th \$175
- 7th \$150
- 8th \$100
- 9th \$75
- 10th \$50

LADIES PRIZE LIST:

- Vouchers to the value of
- 1st \$400 + Trophy
- 2nd \$250
- 3rd \$150
- 4th \$100
- 5th \$50

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