

## Volunteer of the Month

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### JULY 2018 - David Jones

David Jones moved to Feilding in 1941. Whilst attending secondary school in Wanganui he started hitting a golf ball. Returning to the area, he was member at the 9 hole Kimbolton Club until it shut in 1970, followed by the 9 hole Tapuae Club which also later closed. In 1978 he joined Feilding as his wife Mary was already a member.

In 1979 David went onto the Grounds committee, going on to chair this committee during the very difficult period following the 1991 floods that caused havoc on the course. He also was Vice Club Captain and Club President. In 1995 he was made an Eagle. David has helped at working bees over the years and has removed the recycling/rubbish from the Clubhouse for the past 38 years. He is also part of the Friday roster going around the course emptying all the rubbish bins – well done David and thank you for your long standing commitment to the Club.



### AUGUST 2018 – Terry Bird

Terry joined the Feilding Golf Club in 1978, after being a member of the 9 Hole Kimbolton and then Tapuae Golf Club's. Terry became one of the course volunteers, assisting the then greenkeeper Trevor Ellis with work like coring - manually! Since those days Terry has continued to help where and when he could. A very practical man, he has given many voluntary hours at grounds working bees, recently internal painting of the clubhouse & caretakers house, lots of odd jobs, and is perhaps best known for his chainsaw work. With the on-going felling of the pine forest at the back of the course, there is plenty to keep any man happy with a chainsaw in his hand.

Thank you Terry for the many hours you have given to the Feilding Golf Club.



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## Tee Sponsors

**July 2018**

Beachamp Funeral Home

**August 2018**

Liquorland Feilding

Atkins & Associates Ltd

## New Members

Unlimited:

Tim Belcher

Paul Gavegan

Bryan Barber

Michael Ironside

Paul Blakeley

Stuart Clifton

Re-join:

Kevin Egger



Jenni Walker - 9 Hole

Tyler Wood - Junior

Chris Lally - Social

## Feilding Golf Club Office Hours

MON. - FRI.

9.30am - 12.30pm

1.30pm - 4.00pm

Phone 06 3234553

1487 Waughs Road, Feilding

P.O. Box 267

Feilding 4740

## Coming Events

August

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> - Womens Silver Pennants at Feilding - Course Closed.

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> - Interclub against Taihape at Feilding

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> - Mens Denbigh Cup

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> - Mixed 9 Holers - Round Robin at Feilding - Course closed from 9.30am for Shotgun start 10am.

**Brown Cup 2018 Winner**  
- Scott Worsley

**Manawatu Interclub**  
Winners - Men - Feilding



Feilding Presidents Trophy team – Winners 2018 - congratulations.

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.



## Adele's on the Green

Club Catering -  
Wednesday to Sunday.  
Functions - by  
arrangement.

Phone Adele at the club  
3237214, or at home  
3235536 to discuss your  
needs.

Email:

secretary@feildinggolfclub.co.nz

Website:

<http://www.feildinggolfclub.co.nz>

## Fairway Mower

The new mower is now displaying our generous sponsors and also includes the legacy from Ian Hay.

Also thanks to Beauchamp Signs for their signage expertise.



## Firewood for Sale

The Club has several loads of firewood for sale. Please contact the Office if you are interested in buying a load - \$250 delivered.

## Practice Fairway

Please park your car in the club car park when using the Practice Fairway. The widened bay allows room for vehicles passing and when large delivery trucks come and go. Reminder - all golf balls must land within the Club property. Non-members are required to purchase golf balls from the Pro Shop.

## ROUNDS BY MONTH AT FEILDING – SUPPLIED BY DOTGOLF

MONTH	Members 2017	Members 2018	Visitors 2017	Visitors
Jan	1038	1259	55	75
Feb	1002	1147	170	207
Mar	1281	1295	226	135
Apr	1207	1356	94	322
May	1086	1130	146	133
Jun	1295	1135	318	286
TOTAL	6909	7322	1009	1158

With better weather this year, the number of scorecards entered into DotGolf have increased. By submitting your scorecard every time you play, then you are giving NZ Golf a more accurate indication to the usage of the course.

## Junior Golf

All our Junior members are making steady progress - Ethan Ward, Remy Early, Ryan Rooney and Liam Magill are all playing Saturdays in the Mens competitions. On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, Liam Magill with a playing handicap of 22, had a nett 61. The following Saturday he had a nett 67. Great scoring in these winter conditions.

With the winter months upon us, there will be no organised Junior coaching in July and August. Coaching will recommence in September.

## SOCIAL EVENING Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2018

## Qualifying Rounds

August sees the beginning of the Club Championship Qualifying Rounds.

First rounds are:

Women – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> August.

Men – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August

Finals Day is programmed for  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2018.



## COURSE UPDATE

**Tree Development:** Over the last few weeks there have been a lot of trees marked for removal (orange marks). This has quite rightly caused a lot of questions from members as to what it is all about. Just over a year ago the Grounds committee went over the entire course creating a plan with an Arborist to come up with a vision for the playability and appearance of the course over time and these marked trees were the ones earmarked as either being dangerous, or effecting the course or equipment in a negative way. As with any tree that is deemed to be dangerous they must be removed as we are then liable as a club and personally if something should happen to an individual.

The banksias which have been marked create a mess with cones etc. which are then hard on gear causing increased maintenance and labour costs. Over the years we have planted trees to replace these banksias and have not got around to removing them, not all will be removed either. There are certain ones that are deemed to be integral parts of certain holes that will remain.

We will continue to replant native species over this five year envisaged time-frame for the removal of these trees. Some trees marked have already been spared from removal. We are open to sensible conversation on this issue. We do need to remember this is a golf course, not a botanic garden so a compromise is required.

Trevor Ward.

## OFFICE UPDATE

**Feilding Golf Club Front Office changes:** After many years of service well and truly over what has been her position, Ann Heap has decided to step back a bit from parts of the Golf Club Secretary / Administration role. Ann will continue on in the role looking after the administration and financial reporting, and this opens up an opportunity to employ a focused marketing and sales role for the club.

The position will involve community activity and member management, with a concentration on retaining and introducing new members to our club and focusing on long-term plans and club development. Please see the advertisement here in the newsletter and on 'Seek' (shortly), if you know someone or are the right person for such a role then we envisage around 8 hours per week with times adjustable to suit.

### Marketing Officer

The Feilding Golf Club is looking for a progressive person to work with the Board and House & Bar committee to promote the sport of golf and the clubhouse facilities. A passion for golf may be helpful along with a knowledge of sport in general, but not necessary. Past or present experience in marketing would be helpful but not essential, a community minded and outgoing personality is. The position is initially for 8 hours per week. For a copy of the job description please email the [secretary@feildinggolfclub.co.nz](mailto:secretary@feildinggolfclub.co.nz) or phone 06 323-4553. Application closing date is 24 August with commencement from 1 October 2018.

We are also looking to employ a Cleaner for the Golf Club, expectation is 6 hours per week at regular times, a job description is available from the secretary. This position has been filled on a volunteer basis by Tony and Sharon Boxall since late May, the clubs thanks goes out to them for their time and help.

### Cleaner

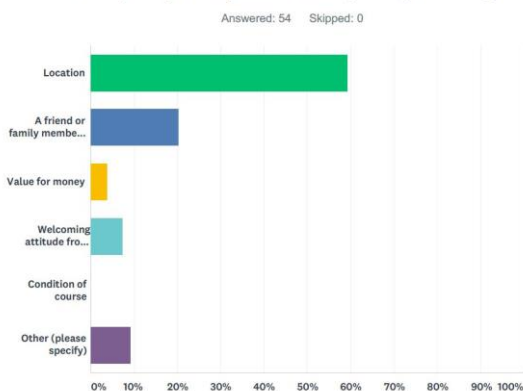
The Feilding Golf Club is looking to employ a part time cleaner for our Clubhouse facility. You will have high standards and be reliable. This position is for a total of 6 hours per week over 2 days. For a copy of the job description please email the [secretary@feildinggolfclub.co.nz](mailto:secretary@feildinggolfclub.co.nz) or phone 06 323-4553. Application closing date is 24 August with commencement from 1 October 2018.

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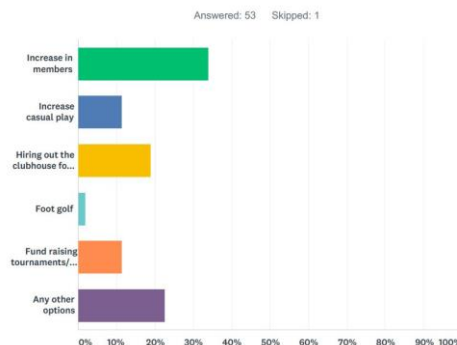
## SURVEY RESULTS

Thank-you to our members that took time to respond to the recent survey that was sent out to email members and also those that took the time to fill in the manual forms that were available in the clubhouse. Overall the results that came back were quite varied and some very individual. The overall thought that was presented to us by NZ Golf *who administered the survey* was that we were on the right track as far as development went. I've included a snippet of the results below for your reading and information, these are just the graphed ones. From these we will be making a few changes mostly around the generating income from what we have as a club already and creating a long-term vision to where we need to be in 5 and 10 years time. As far as the membership options question went we will do some information gathering around demographics and interest levels and make a decision from the information collated around further options, this one in particular had many varied responses around age brackets especially. Please have a look at the graphs below and discuss, this we see as a yearly exercise to make sure we are staying on the right track. Trevor Ward.

Q1 What was your primary reason for joining Feilding Golf Club



Q9 What do you think is the best way to bring extra income into the club?



Q12 On a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being poor and 10 being excellent, rate the following



Q13 How likely are you to recommend Feilding Golf to friends or family as a club to join?



Feilding Golf Club Members Survey

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOTAL
Club Environment	0.00%	0.00%	1.85%	0.00%	3.70%	11.11%	24.07%	35.19%	16.67%	7.41%	54
Quality of Course	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.89%	1.89%	20.75%	33.96%	26.42%	15.09%	53
Junior programme and playing opportunities	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.56%	12.82%	10.26%	12.82%	30.77%	20.51%	10.26%	39
Club events	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.00%	10.00%	28.00%	28.00%	12.00%	8.00%	50
Communication	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	3.77%	5.66%	1.89%	22.64%	35.85%	16.98%	13.21%	53
Cost of membership	0.00%	1.85%	3.70%	0.00%	14.81%	11.11%	29.63%	16.67%	5.56%	16.67%	54

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