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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Congratulations to our Secretary Brenda McEwen who scored a hole-in-one on hole number 2, a par 3, at Temuka Golf Club on Monday 18 March while playing in the Ladies Open Pennants.

This year's Summer Classic Tournament was again highly successful with 77 pairs participating. Congratulations to our organizing team and the volunteers who helped run the tournament and to Chris and his team who spent many hours preparing the course which, once again, was in top condition, with many favourable comments from our visitors on a well-run tournament and well-presented golf course. Thanks goes to our sponsorship committee and our wonderful sponsors, please support them whenever possible. Congratulations to the winners of the tournament, Lynnette Roy & Trish Crump with 129 points and Francis McIvor & Blaine Lyford 125 points. Congratulations to our Thinkwater Shootout winners for March Sally Washington with a net 62 and Blair Struthers with a net 61.

The Brenton Trophy was won by Trish Crump & Colin Southby with a net 68. Well done.

Also congratulations to Lyn Callon who won the Ladies E L Esler Trophy with 46 points.

The Dukie shed has now been relocated from the 13th to the 16th tee, where it will no doubt be used a lot more. It now sits on a concrete pad which was poured by a couple of keen volunteers. It and the shelter fence have had a new coat of paint and it now looks neat and tidy. A large group of men turned up on Wednesday to split the pile of wood that we had placed by the 9th tee. This resulted in 12 cord of wood. A great effort by all concerned.

The clubhouse refurbishment subcommittee held their first meeting for the year on Saturday and we are in the process of gaining some more quotes so we can apply for Charitable Donations to help with the upgrade.

Twilight golf is drawing to a close with the final night being the 29th March.

Next month we will be running Easter Monday and Anzac Day stableford tournaments.

Sunday mornings free Junior Coaching at 10am in the Domain practice area continues with good attendance. Finally I give my thanks to all the volunteers who have freely given their time and expertise to help make our club what it is today.

Ian McEwen,
President

MEN'S SECTION

March as always dominated by the Summer Classic and congratulations must go to Sharon and her team for again running a very successful event. The course was presented in great condition by Chris and his team and the many hours they put in really showed.

Congratulation to the winners Trish Crump & Lynette Roy and Francis McIvor & Blaine Lyford

The Thinkwater Shootout qualifier this month was Blair Struthers with a net 61.

It seems that most players have got their head around the new rules this year but if you are not sure of anything don't hesitate to ask anyone on the match committee about any rules.

Thanks to Colin Eddington and Ian McEwen for their help this month.

Dave Gilkison,
Men's Captain

WOMEN'S SECTION

Congratulations to all the winners at the classic and the organising committee for a well-run tournament. Special mention to the ladies winners Trish Crump and Lyn Roy.

Pennants are well under way with good wins for the vets and open and the week-end teams are having mixed success. Also congratulations to Lyn Callon who won the E L Esler trophy last month and the shootout winner this month is Sally Washington with a nett 62. We have had good numbers on a Wednesday and Saturday but it has been very hot conditions. Friday 9 holers have been going well and enjoying going to tournaments with some successes.

Heather McKerchar,
Women's Captain

COURSE

The main item of my report is that the 'Dukie' shed has been re-located from the 13th to the 16th tee where it will no doubt be used a lot more. It now sits on a concrete pad which was poured by a couple of keen volunteers. It has had a new coat of paint as has the shelter fence and it all looks very neat and tidy and was an asset for the 'Summer Classic' in this new position.

Mowing of the tees and greens has continued as usual but as there are a lot of dry patches in the rough less time is being spent on the rough mower.

Despite the greens having recently been aerated it is generally agreed that they are playing very nicely.

One of our senior members is often spotted very early in the mornings as he continues the spraying around the fringes of the course, trees and creek etc. and he is to be commended for the way he goes about this work without fuss.

A large group of men turned up early last Wednesday on what turned out to be a very hot day, to split the large pile of wood that we had placed near the 9th tee. This resulted in 12 cord of wood being split. A great effort by all concerned. My thanks to everyone.

Nevin O'Rourke,
Course Convenor

COMING EVENTS

MARCH

- 21 Grandfathers and Great Grandfathers Open Tournament.
12 noon. Start.
(H A King & J Norton Trophies)
- 24 Aorangi Golf Family day. 9 holes. Children and parents.
1pm tee off.
12.30pm sausage sizzle.
- 27 Women's National Teams Qualifier

APRIL

- 22 Easter Monday Stableford
12 noon Start
(Social Committee)
- 25 Anzac Day Stableford 12 noon Start (Social Committee)

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