

THE PPGC NEWS



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The last month has been very busy at the Golf Club with Club Championship finals, the Think Water Club Shootout and our 2021 Summer Classic Tournament which was postponed from March due to Covid restrictions.

All this while managing a very growthy spring and putting the final touches on the club house refurbishment.

Congratulations to the Men's & Women's Champions. Also congratulations to the Thinkwater Shootout winners. Thank you again to Thinkwater Timaru for their continued support of the club's shootout competition.

The Summer Classic Tournament was badly affected by the weather with the Saturday being a "Wash out" with all play being put off until the Sunday.

We had 100 pairs playing on Sunday the 14 November, with tee times starting at 7.30 am.

The course was in immaculate condition with the greens running fast and true and the fairways and rough mown to perfection. Luckily all the surface water had disappeared by the start of play on Sunday. The day went off without a hitch, thanks to Sharyn Kake and her hard working team, with the men's winners being Wayne & Leon Hobbs, and the women's Sue Newman & Jo Peacock.

We look forward to the 2022 Summer Classic being held on the 5 & 6 of March. No time for much of a rest for Sharyn and her team.

Twilight Golf is on again
playing over 9 holes, starting on the 26th of
November.

Tee off from 4.45pm to 5.45pm, \$5 per player
food being available at the conclusion of your round.

Non handicappers welcome

I Look forward to seeing you there.

Junior Golf Coaching on Sundays is getting good attendance with some very promising attendees. Neville Burt is working with some very promising young ones.

Summer golf has started now with the Saturday women joining in with the men's field on Saturdays.

We are pleased to welcome some new members recently and hope they enjoy our friendly members and our great course.

Unfortunately, due to work commitments, the current Club President, Dave Gilkison has had to stand down, so thank you for all your work for the club up till now. As Vice President I am standing in as Acting President until the AGM which is scheduled for the 6 December.

There is a Special General meeting prior to the AGM to discuss recommended changes to the club's Young Person membership

The Annual Christmas Ambrose is on the 4 December so get your teams in. Fliers on the website and Facebook page.

Happy golfing.

Warren Leslie
Acting President

MEN'S SECTION

A busy time since my last report with the Thinkwater Timaru Shootout being won by Ray Malcolm from Neville Burt. Thanks to Grant Colliar and his team at Thinkwater for their continued support.

Last Saturday, the 6th November, saw the club champs being played over 36 holes.

Senior winner was Alex Kelliher over Dan Kelliher, 2 & 1, a tight match.

Intermediate was won by Michael Ford over Jeff Shaw, 5 up. Jeff lead the morning round, but Michael made a good comeback in the afternoon.

Junior A winner was Ned Kelly who was too consistent for Peter Bennet with a comprehensive win.

Junior B played over 18 holes was won by Brian Christian over Ian Frew also 2 & 1

The 4 ball knockout final was also played on Saturday with Craig Curtis & Jeff Paul beating Warren Leslie & Dave Costello 2 up.

Since this is my last report, I wish to thank all those who have helped me with the starting each Saturday, many thanks.

Because of time restraint the Gardener Trophy and the Family days have had to be cancelled for this year

Colin Eddington
Men's Captain

WOMEN'S SECTION

We held our Club Champ finals on Friday 15th October & the winners were :-

Silver :- T. Crump R/Up B. Green

Bronze1 :- R. Westgarth R/Up M. Bower

Bronze11:- A. Curry R/Up M. O'Neill

The 2021 Thinkwater Shootout final was won by R. Rhodes R/Up J. Hamer

Wednesday Ladies Closing day was played on 3rd November. The Margaret McFarlane Trophy was won by A. Whitley & M. Hogan (Timaru) Saturday ladies closing day played on 7th November this was won by L. Blakie & S. Esler (Gleniti) by countback from M. Bower & T. Knight (Gleniti)

We're having our annual dinner & Trophy night on Wednesday 17th November.

Harrilyn Beck
Women's Captain

COURSE CONVENOR

Excellent reports on the condition and presentation of our course continue to be received and credit for this goes to both Damian, our greenkeeper and to our team of volunteers.

Greens have been verti-cut, sanded and sprayed with wetting agent over the past few weeks. Additional mowing and rolling this week will enable the greens surface to be in peak condition for the Summer Classic. Next week, after the completion of the Summer Classic, all greens will be scarified and sanded, as part of the Greens Management plan. Expect greens playing surfaces to be a little indifferent for a couple of weeks whilst they recover.

Tee marker blocks are in the process of being cleaned and repainted plus irrigation sprinkler heads surrounds around tees and greens and along fairways are being cleared of excess grass growth before irrigation starts.

Inclement weather last week has curtailed progress and work on the new mound on No 7 plus a recent heavy downpour of rain caused a little subsidence in the new irrigation line down the centre of No 7. Areas of subsidence will be filled with soil and compacted this week, subject to obtaining some suitable fill material.

Our John Deere Gator also blew a water pump last week and required some repair work to get back into work again.

Neville also reported to the meeting that due to some issues with the scarifying and cleaning up after this, that the course had been closed on Monday 15 and would be closed on Tuesday 16th November.

Treasurer Trish reminded the meeting that Damian's employment contract specified an increase to his salary 3 months after his employment began. Trish will get this organised.

Neville Burt,
Course Convenor

COMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

26 Electrical Trades tournament

28 Eagles Hosted Tournament booking

DECEMBER

4 Radius Care Christmas Ambrose
(own teams). (Match Committee)

12 McPhedran Trophy. Mixed Canadian
Foursome Stableford 12noon Start
(Mr C & Mrs H Taylor)

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