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A WORD FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Greetings to all members sponsors and golfers,
Another week goes by at the Omaha Golf Club with improvements of the club on and off the course, as our projects continue.

Noteably, it is exciting that we are ready to open the 15th hole next weekend.

Many of you would have noticed other course changes, including the new tee blocks on the 3rd hole (old second hole), new bunkers and irrigation on the 14th etc.

To all those that have contributed to the new 15th hole, hopefully you have received your invitation to the formal opening and will be among the first to play the hole.

If not please contact the office.

Sadly, we continue to be having problems with bunkers that are not being raked and pitch marks that are not being repaired.

Many of you I talk to, think it is just green fee players who do not care about our golf course, this is wrong.

We have been monitoring this, and within an hour of play, with only members playing we have seen these issues.

I know I am repeating this message but can I ask you all to ensure your playing group are raking the bunkers, repairing pitch marks and taking sand buckets.

We all forget and get focused on other things when playing golf so a nice reminder is appreciated.



I was playing with a member last week and was impressed how he looked after the course, however he thought it was ok to leave the rakes half in the sand, and half on the grass.

As we all know, the rakes at our course should be placed in the bunkers.

This act alone saves our green keepers more than an hour per day when they are mowing as they don't need to stop and move the rakes.



This week I took my 21 year old son, who is a student and casual golfer, to the driving range.

As much as I was trying, he was hitting 20 plus metres past me even with my best.

I came to the realisation that this is going to get worse for me every year from now on.

However, when I got home, I saw this article on facebook about Jim, who is still playing golf at 100.

100 YEARS OLD AND STILL PLAYING! 🥳
Jim Dearlove played the first hole yesterday at Deanwood Park Golf Club and today is his 100th birthday. What an achievement 🙌



This year we have two new members who are 83 and have never played golf before.... amazing!

Thanks to all of you who continue to support our contractors (Golf HQ, Cafe) and facilities. It is appreciated during this quieter period of the year.

Have a great weekend ahead.

Kind Regards,

Kevin

Kevin Weston

President (021 544 139)

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FROM FRIENDS OF OMAHA BEACH GOLF CLUB

Hello all,
Our new 15th hole is now complete and ready for play!

We look forward to the Hole opening ceremony on the afternoon of Friday 25 June, and the hole will be in play for all members on Saturday 26 June.

At that time, we will take Hole 17 out of play for preparatory work such as spraying, ahead of our planned August start on its re-modelling.

Over the past 2 weeks we have completed minor finishing works, including the drainage and planting of the greenside wetland area. Richard Brabant's report on that is included below.

A huge thanks to Richard for assiduously driving this element of the work and to all the planting volunteers who generously donated their time.



Members of the planting team - happy faces.

Photo: Phil Winstone

Please note that to help with managing wear and tear on the hole as it is re-opened, Corey and the team will be keeping the rough areas and the green surface a little longer than normal through until the spring.

Over the spring and summer months you can then expect the surfaces to quicken up significantly.

PROJECT 2 (HOLE 17)

The process of finalising the 17th hole design continues and we are now close to finalising it.

We have a good cost estimate developed and Project 2 will involve completing the renovation of the 17th hole in its entirety. Work on Hole 18 will be undertaken as Project 3.

This enables us to “right size” Project 2 in line with funds raised, and it also avoids disturbing 2 holes at the same time.

As we have done with 15, we will not commence Project 3 until work on the 17th is completed and that hole is back in play.

Our key challenge is cashflow. Letters were sent out last week to all who have kindly made a 3-year pledge to see who is able to pay their pledge now, so we can push on with the Hole 17 project. For those who do that, the next pledge request will then not occur until about this time in 2022.

We remain optimistic that we will have sufficient cash on hand by 01 August to push the button on the 17th hole.

Fundraising milestone reached!

***Our fundraising total now sits at \$501,510 - we have passed the half million!!
This is a fantastic effort and a major milestone reached.***

I again encourage all Club members who have not already done so, to please get in behind the project with some financial support.

All contributions help and we will not be able to complete the 18th hole without reaching our overall \$700,000 target.

Tony

Tony Kortegast, President
Friends of Omaha Beach Golf Club

TO MAKE A DONATION

Please simply make your deposit to:
FRIENDS OF OMAHA BEACH GOLF CLUB
12-3095-0237820-50

Then email me:
tkortegast@tonkintaylor.co.nz and we will sort out the paperwork and arrange a receipt for you.

WETLAND PLANTING REPORT

Planting of the wetland area by the new 15th green was completed over 2 days on Thursday 10th and Friday 11th of June.

Water draining from the bunkers and the green feed into this as a natural ponding area, necessitating pumping out before and during planting - even then some areas were still covered by surface water.

It is over 2 months since the first planting operation, and the wintry weather has meant wetter ground that markedly changed the ground conditions compared to when the other two wetland areas near the tees were planted.



The planting team hard at work.
Photos: Tony Coupe

A permanent outlet drain has now been added to this area to enable water level to be controlled over the winter months.

The photos below show the team and the great outcome that has been achieved preparing this area of the hole for its opening next week.

The plant species used are the same as already established in the other two areas, but with a shift in emphasis towards the lake club rush species which is more tolerant of standing water.



The team of volunteers planting with me, Tony and Mary Coupe, Phil Winstone and John and Rosemary Wylie, persisted and enjoyed the planting exercise (albeit gumboots were compulsory).

Richard Brabant

Thank you

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ANONYMOUS DONORS

48 people have made anonymous donations to the project.



Notice BOARD

FRIDAY NIGHT DRAW



There was no draw last week, so Draw #8 for \$500 is up for grabs again this week!

Please come along and support the Cafe & Bar, hopefully your lucky number comes up!

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Wishlist

Our faithful and hardworking BBQ has finally, and very sadly given up the ghost.

So, we are in need of a replacement.



We can fundraise to replace it, but if anyone has an old BBQ in good working order and wants to donate it, we would love to hear from you.

Either pop in to the office, or email Tiffany at:

marketing@omahagolf.co.nz

FRIDAY NIGHT

Dinner AT THE CLUB . . .

Tomorrow Night (18th June) the cafe is offering a good old fashioned winter carvery.

On the menu is roast beef and ham on the bone, with roast vegetables and two salads for \$28



ROOFING UPDATE

PLEASE NOTE: On Monday (21 June) the Clubhouse, Cafe & Pro Shop will be CLOSED.

The course will still be open, Golf HQ will be operating out of the Greenkeepers shed.

This is due to the mains being switched off for remedial work to the wiring and the Mains power box being moved.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause .

The weather and resulting issues have put the project back by a few days, but with more settled weather returning, the contractors expect to make up the lost time.

Most of the demolition work is complete and compliance with current building regulations is the focus this week.

New electrical cabling is being installed, old joinery is being removed and carpentry work will commence.



Holes in One

We're starting a new section in the newsletter to acknowledge members who score a hole in one.

Congratulations go to:

ANTHONY PERVAN

Date: 24th May
Hole: 3rd Hole

SUZETTE EASTMOND

Date: 12th June
Hole: 12th Hole (2nd in past year)

IF YOU SCORE A HOLE IN ONE

1. Write the hole on your scorecard.
2. Take your ball and score card to Golf HQ.
3. Advise either office staff or the Duty Manager on the bar, and we'll issue you with a \$100 bar voucher. (Please note the voucher must be used on the day of the hole in one).
4. We'll have a small trophy made for you!

BARLEY STATION

Raffle

Win the ultimate golf day for four at BARLEY STATION Queenstown.

A rare opportunity to spend a day at Sir Russell Coutts' private golf course at his property on the majestic Crown Terrace above Arrowtown.

PRIZE INCLUDES \$1,000 towards expenses.

DRAWN NEXT FRIDAY, 25 JUNE AT THE OPENING OF THE 15TH HOLE!



GET TICKETS FROM GOLF HQ OR [CLICK HERE](#) TO ORDER YOUR TICKETS ONLINE.

FROM THE WORLD OF *Golf*

2020 National Golf Awards Winners

Environmental Club of the Year

Royal Wellington Golf Club

Golf Event of the Year

Brian Green Property Group Super 6s at Manawatu Golf Club

Golf Performance of the Year

Ryan Fox for his final round at the ISPS HANEDA Vic Open

Female Amateur Player of the Year

Amelia Garvey

Male Amateur Club of the Year

James Hydes

Professional Player of the Year

Lydia Ko

All Abilities Golfer of the Year

Andrew Woo

Professional Coach of the Year

Sean Foley

Community Coach of the Year

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Club of the Year

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Leadership in Golf of the Year

Rhys Bishop



Congratulations to all the winners from this year's National Golf Awards. Numerous people and facilities in the golf sector have been recognised for their outstanding work after an unpredictable 2020.

Hire Carts

Please pay attention to the new signs in our hire golf carts emphasizing the following:

- Keep carts 10m away from greens.
- Do not drive carts between greens and bunkers on any holes on the course.
- Keep carts out of heavy rough areas.
- Remove your rubbish before returning the cart.
- Carts are only to be driven by person/s with a full drivers license.

Wet Weather Golf Bags

We have a range of wet weather golf bags available for purchase, that can help with the wet weather conditions. Keeping your golf equipment dry will also prolong the longevity of your golf clubs and make your golf game a more enjoyable experience.

Pro Tip

Aim small to miss small.

Narrow your focus in order to help your dispersion. Pick a target as small and as far away as your eyes will allow.

For example, A tree on a hill on the horizon. The smaller the target the better.

This enables you to lift your gaze away from any impending trouble. It also helps take your mind off a negative outcome.

Simply fixate only on that target and try to hit the ball at it.

Sport is 10% technique and 90% mental, so why do we spend 100% of our time working on technique and 0% working on our mind.

As coaches we can help you as much with the mental side of the game as technical.

So give Emma, Blake, Hamish or Luke a bell if you need a hand.

Happy Golfing from our Golf HQ team

Blake, Hamish, Fritz, Tracey, Emma, Luke and Reinhardt



5 GOLF HQ
Golf HQ is turning Five!

Spend over \$100 in-store or online in the month of June and go in the draw to win!

There are 3 major prizes up for grabs, with the prize pool worth **\$2000!**

Plus more giveaway goodies too!



GOLF RESULTS

MEN'S RESULTS

Golf HQ Hagggle 12th June

Div 1

- 1st - Ian Flint-Hartle 41 points \$23
- 2nd - Anthony Pervan 40 points \$16.80
- 3rd - Gordon Wylde 36 points \$12.60
- 4th - Richard Middleton 35 points \$8.40

Club Net Eagles

Congratulations to Merv Watson \$159

Two's & Jackpot

Richard Middleton 1a, 8 & Jackpot \$63

Div 2

- 1st - Peter Lancaster 42 points \$19.50
- 2nd - Keith Williams 38 points \$15.60
- 3rd - Merv Watson 36 points \$11.70
- 4th - Terry Bridge 34 points \$7.50

Two's & Jackpot

Peter Lancaster 12 \$18

Wednesday 16th June Golf HQ Hagggle

- 1st - Chris Price 39 points \$45
- 2nd - Kevin Pelsky 39 points \$37
- 3rd - Gordon Wylde 39 points \$28
- 4th - Bob Moir 36 points \$20
- 5th - Fritz Budler 35 points \$15
- 6th - Alex Fowler 34 points \$10
- 7th - Steve Marshall 34 points \$7

Two's & Jackpot

Gordon Wylde 3 \$44

WOMEN'S RESULTS

Golf HQ Hagggle 12th June

- 1st - Gaye Muir 38 points \$20
- 2nd - Lynda Tate 37 points \$14
- 2nd - Toshie Sharp 37 points \$14
- 4th - Annette Gowling 36 points \$6.80
- 4th - Dale Wilson 36 points \$6.80

Two's & Jackpot

Lynda Tate 3 \$20

Tuesday 15th June Ladies Golf HQ Hagggle

Not played due to weather conditions



HOUSEHOLD WATER DELIVERIES



MEMBER DISCOUNT

Warwick Rhodes and his team at Rhodes for Roads have been supplying quality household water to our community for over 35 years.

As generous supporters of the golf club, Rhodes for Roads is offering members a **10% discount** whenever you purchase a tanker load of water.

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CLUB VOLUNTEERS

The club has more than 100 members who regularly give their time and expertise in support of a myriad of activities, both on and off the course. They are our stalwarts, and an indelible part of our organisational culture.

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Our VISION | 2022 donors are an inspiration to all. Their vision and generosity has made the course development project a reality,



To the extraordinary people who generously give their 'time, talent or treasure' in support of our club's purpose. We thank you all.

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