

# The Groove

Omokoroa Golf Club Newsletter

22 December 2016

## Manager's Musings...

I was away last week, hence the gap in your weekly digital download – back up and running this week...

## Mary Donald



It was with great sadness that we all heard the news of OGC member Mary Donald's passing last Friday. When someone is so full of life they leave a space that's hard to fill but Mary has left that space filled with wonderful memories and encounters from those that knew her for a lifetime to those who only recently crossed her path. I personally remember saying she was an inspiration when I first met her to which she just smiled and shrugged. The club house was packed this week in celebration of her life and our thoughts are with Kevin and her family.

## Marshall Law UPDATE

The Course Marshall, who checks green fees are paid, is out and about and has caught a few chancers dodging for a fistful of dollars! We're supplying the pink and green tags to green fee players which we sign and date FYI.



## Barman's Hagggle

**Update:** Tomorrow Friday 23rd December will be the **Friday Christmas Hagggle** – lots of prizes and fun!

## Hacked-On

The website is back online and the interruption was limited due to an original back-up from 2015. The site has been updated, in terms of club contacts, subs information and up and coming tournaments plus the all-important 'Course Conditions' on the home page. The site will be updated further over time so watch this space.

## The Green Shed

Thank you to the couching volunteers – thanks to KD and crew. The fairway is coming along well.

**...in Jonathan's absence Hap and Hugh**



## **Captain's Corner**

I trust everyone is enjoying the substitute hole for No 9. It is a bit of a challenge but everyone should be an expert once they are putting on the green with all the experience you have gained over the years!!!!

Just another reminder of our **New Year's Eve Open Tournament** so if you have guests that are affiliated members somewhere else bring them along to enjoy a round at our course. The start sheet is in the office and entries must be paid at time of entry.

Still no news on when things will be starting on the Gane Place development but we will keep you informed with any updates.

**Regards, Mark**

*A reminder from Jonathan, that it was decided at the players committee that the **time sheets** wouldn't be used this year and that each playing group should keep the same time slot during the holiday period. However, it was agreed that at all times the usual playing group should give ways to green fee players over the holiday period.*

## **President's Report**

What a great day the Men's Hamper turned out to be... Congratulations to all the committee that took part in helping out for a very successful day. The Volunteers deserve a pat on the back and special thanks to BT and Jarrod for the great sponsorship, magic prizes and a few people's handicaps will change as the scores were exceptional. Obviously Nathan and his team did a great job on the course with some interesting pin placement – well done to all! The Christmas gift pack raffle is almost full, thanks for your support, just a few more tickets to go and we will draw it before Christmas, with all proceeds going to the club. Great to see Kieran Muir back in the clubhouse returning from playing overseas and not too shabby a score on hamper day – good luck for 2017!

Great to see Fintan call in on Saturday and give us a rundown on what's happening with the development next door. There will be disruption when consent comes through and so a little patience will be required. Our thanks to Graham and Sue in the office and to Jarrod and Sharon, who keep us fed and watered every week. A special thanks to volunteers that turn out to help with the course – a special mention to Ray Herdman who helps mow regularly. A merry Christmas to all members, be safe and may all your drives be straight and you putts drop.

**Cheers Swampy**

## **Golf Cart WANTED to borrow or HIRE – Member Request**

The Principal of Bethlehem College requires the use of a Golf Cart for Tuesday and Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017 to assist his aged Mum better participate in her grandson's wedding being held at the College. Are you willing? Please ring Eoin on 021 741 607

## **Regular Features**

### **Friday Roast**

**Please Note:** No Friday Night Roast this week returning Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017

### **Twilight Golf Christmas Challenge - TONIGHT!**

Bring your holiday visitors and join in the extra fun on the final night of Omokoroa Twilight Golf for 2016!!! Additional golf “challenges” and chances to win extra prizes on the night.

NOBODY leaves empty handed as there will be something for everyone who attends. At least one person (and possibly more) is guaranteed to win back the cost of their Club Sandwedge meal.

Thursday 22 December Tee off from 4.00 to 5.30 to be in!

## **RESULTS:**

### **\*Saturday 17 December**

#### **Saturday Men’s Hagg (Stableford)**

Div 1 – Bryan Pirani 42, Brent Jenkins 40, Stephen Rumney 40

Div 2 – Steve Lyons 43, Russell Reynolds 42, Dale Courtney 41

### **\*Tuesday 20 December**

#### **Ladies Hagg (Stableford)**

Olive Pace 42, Barbara Aitken 40, Julie Howard 39

### **\*Wednesday 21 December**

#### **Men’s Vets (Stableford)**

Div 1 – Ian Cheetham 45, Mark Dodd 43, Ken Bloor 42

Div 2 – Ian Latham 44, Roger Pace 43, Elliot Willis 43

#### **Ladies Vets (Stableford)**

Jan Gill 40, Ula Chou 39, Shirley Hurn 37

### **\*Thursday 22 December**

9-Hole Men – Foursomes (Nett Medal)

Robo Hay & Peter Bray 31, Jim Dunseath & Brian Cantell 31, David Walsh & Alan Poore 31.5

9-Hole Women (Nett Medal)

Dot Bowdler 26, Jo Cameron 27, Shirley Lauchlan 30

## **THE WEEK AHEAD**

### **December**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>** Christmas Barman’s Hagg

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>** Summer Cup Round 2

Saturday Men’s Xmas Eve Hagg

The men's Xmas Eve hagg this Saturday is being sponsored by **Seeka Ltd**, who have donated 6 x hams for prizes! It is also the 2nd round of the Summer Cup (best 3 out of 4 stableford scores). If you are a winner of a ham, you have to be present at the prize-giving after play to receive the goods. Thanks Jim Dunseath for the sponsorship.

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>** **Christmas Day CLOSED**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup>** Boxing Day – Casual Play

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>** Ladies Golf & Casual Play

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>

Vets Mixed Stableford  
9 Hole Golf & Casual Play  
**TWILIGHT GOLF – 4-5.25pm rolling start**

**Doh!**



Till next time...

**Gray (Ed)**