



RBGC NEWSLETTER

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Captain's Column

The installation of the card printer and self-score - entering touch screen we were aiming to have up and running by Easter has been held back by supply issues. We are still hopeful that it will be in place beforehand, but committee members will be on duty over the holiday weekend to help out in the office and operate a manual tee booking system just in case.

Eastleigh option agreement – we had a good number of responses to our email survey (sent to all Playing Members). Thank you to those that contributed, the overall conclusion is that the committee investigate further, which we will be doing as directed by you.

Another great month in February for memberships, with a total of 20 new members (5 of these being playing members the rest non-playing). Be sure to welcome anyone new that you see in the clubhouse.

The club is regularly approached for use as a venue for functions. All requests are considered but not all are agreed to. We attempt to keep our function hiring to days and times that the clubhouse it is not used by members, but if you do happen to find the clubrooms busy please respect that these people have paid to use the facility.

Please also remember that should we again be plunged into a COVID level of restriction, to abide by the rules set out by NZ Golf for play and the Government guidelines for gatherings in the Clubhouse.

Just a reminder that the committee and manager at present are very busy with a lot of items currently being investigated and organised. The implementation of the new card systems and hardware, course extensions and improvements are over and above the usual events and commitments within the club's calendar, but we are confident our hard work will benefit our members.

A wee reminder, after Easter we will revert to 'winter' or non daylight savings tee off times for Club Days (1.00pm tee off).

Happy Easter to all, here's to a (hopefully) decent dollop of rain!

Karen Barbour (Club Captain)

Office Chit-Chat

It's been a busy few months round the Clubhouse, with summer visitors and various improvements taking place.

I hope you've all had a chance to check out our new tables which were delivered just prior to Christmas, these are proving much more versatile than the old round ones.

As Karen mentioned, we are in the process of setting up and installing a new card printer and scoring kiosk located in the foyer. Also underway is the migration of data to a new member management system (DotGolf) which will see you invoiced for your subs on an annual basis once again. Whilst we didn't plan on having to implement a new system after so recently doing it, unfortunately our current provider has decided to pull their product from the market and we needed to act quickly. For those that opted to pay subs via a saved credit card, this system will be shut down and your payment data will be deleted in a secure manner.

A particular bonus of changing systems is that now all subs/handicapping/booking will take place within the DotGolf system so you will only need one log in for everything. This should make it easier for all.

Please note that as of 30th March, the existing online booking system and app will not work anymore and all links on the website/Facebook will be updated to reflect the new booking system hosted by DotGolf.

I am on leave over Easter and following week, returning to work on Monday 12th April. For urgent matters, please contact a committee member.

Have a great break,

Bec O'Neale (Club Manager)

Tournaments

Canadian Mixed Foursomes (Kere Ell Trophy) - although the numbers were down, by all accounts it was a very successful and well-run tournament with some astounding scoring over the two days.

1st – Dave Neve & Becks O'Neale 86, winners of the Kere Ell trophy

2nd – Davey Moore & Wendy Moore 85

3rd – Daryl Moss & Christine Prattley 84

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Joke



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4th – Rick Hepburn & Michelle Hunt 80

5th – Phil Patterson & Deb Goldsmith 76

6th – Don Thomson & Cate Thomson 76 C/B

On the Green

A temporary 'green / hole' remains in use for holes #2 and #11 as we begin the upgrade of this green. Once you have chipped into the indicated circle, count one stroke on your card and move on, at this stage no putting is required.

Dates to Note

Friday 2 April – Easter Friday. Dinner served as usual at the Clubhouse, we are not operating extra meal nights this long weekend.

Saturday 3 April - Easter Saturday Club day is a stableford competition playing for our founders cup the Basil Bodle Memorial Cup, all welcome.

Sunday 4 April - Easter weekend 6x6x6 has now been altered to a 2 person Ambrose competition. Registrations on the noticeboard. The course is closed to greenfee players for the afternoon.

Monday 5 April – Easter Monday, the clubhouse bar will be open at 4pm (Public Holiday hours).

Saturday 8 May – Keeper of the Greens club day.

Match

All the draws are up for the various club match play competitions, make sure to look on the board and take the opportunity in the fine weather to get these matches completed.

Social Media

Those of you that are Facebook and Instagram users, make sure you follow our pages to get all the updates and happenings about the club. Our website is also constantly being updated and has all competition information.

Please feel free to send any photos to office@riversdalebeachgolfclub.co.nz. We always love seeing your snaps.

