

# CLUB NEWSLETTER

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It's been a busy few weeks as we wrapped up the season on Sunday 3rd November with Club Closing Day. 59 members competed in our competition of the day, Ambrose Tournament, and it was encouraging to see a number of our newer members attending. Despite the windy conditions some hot scores were still recorded and it looked like everyone had a great day.

Registrations have been rolling in for the Opotiki Hams Tournament, kindly sponsored by Magnus Lennie & Opotiki Tyre Service.



The morning 7am round is FULL & 12 noon round is filling up fast. If you have registered, please make sure to pay your entry fee by Friday 29th November either at the office or by direct credit (details on poster).

Tuesday 5th November was the annual Melbourne Cup Day Haggie. A small group of regulars teed off at 10am so they could head down to Slims Bar at 2pm for prizegiving, calcutta draw & auctioning. Damien Zeier won the haggie with a whopping 40 Stableford points.

As always, a fun day made even better by the generous \$1000 donation from Slims Bar. Slim kindly donates to the club every year from this event which is gratefully received by one of our members on the day.



## Upcoming Events

- Tue 12th Nov – Twilight Golf
- Wed 13th Nov – Club Committee Meeting
- Tue 19th Nov – Twilight Golf
- Wed 20th Nov – Club AGM
- Tue 26th Nov – Twilight Golf
- Tue 3rd Dec – Twilight Golf
- Sat 7th Dec – Opotiki Hams T/Ment
- Tue 10th Dec – Twilight Golf
- Tue 17th Dec – Twilight Golf *Ambrose*
- Sun 22nd Dec – Closed Hams T/Ment

## Clubhouse Bookings

- Sun 1st Dec – Private Function 4pm-10pm
- Fri 6th Dec – Buffet Night *Bookings essential*

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# From the President

Terry Reeve

Firstly, I would like to say well done to Polly, you are doing an amazing job running the twilight golf every Tuesday night. This is being well supported by our members so let's make sure it continues.

It was great to see such a good turnout for Club closing day on the 3rd November.

It is very pleasing to see the amount of nominations we have for next year's committee. The AGM is Wednesday 20th November at 6.30pm. I look forward to seeing lots of members present.

## Course Highlights

As happens every year about this time the course dries out, and while more rain will be expected on the fairways, it does mean we will start to see more stress on grass growth (fairways and tees especially) and on high traffic areas. Members will have noted the treated fairways for broadleaf and the dreaded Onehunga (prickle) weed. This has resulted in some loss of grass colour, but if we get a bit of rain in the next couple of weeks they will green up. Duck droppings are causing considerable damage to the greens, so if anybody has a bright idea to reduce please let us know.

At long last, some of the final pieces of work for the re-modelling of No 6 green have taken place. With a new irrigation line installed, surface prep with sand, topsoil and hydro-seeding the surrounds with Browntop were completed during the week. The extra input for this project has put pressure on getting other work around the course completed. A post New Year opening is still on schedule but unfortunately the green will not be ready for the Hams Tournament. Further work has been done on the tees out of action (6, 16 and practice), but again may be a little way off for the Hams.

The Hydro-seeding approach to No 6 by Paul of LawnTech, Te Puke & How No 6 green is now looking



# CLUB CAPTAINS

Men's Shoot Out qualifying began on Saturday 2nd November & runs through consecutive weekends culminating on Saturday 8th February 2025. Trevor Harris has taken on the job of collating the results. Entry fee is \$30 and needs to be paid to Trevor no later than 30th November otherwise you will be ineligible to enter. The Shoot Out final date will be confirmed once Hamish & Wayne have completed the 2025 program. The Club would like to take this opportunity to thank Ross White for his contribution to this tournament over previous years.

Men's Summer Cup will start on Saturday 16th November & will be based on the 3 best of 5 Stableford rounds. Dates are 16th Nov, 14th Dec, 11th Jan, 1st Feb & 22nd Feb. Remember to select the competition when printing your card.

Congratulations to all the ladies that participated in this years competitions. Thank you to Janice and Claire that volunteered to organise the Wednesday ladies.

Exciting news, due to Gail's persistence we now have an active 9-hole competition.

To all our ladies that have helped out big or small during the year you are very much appreciated.

Enjoy your summer golf.

## 2024 PRIZE WINNERS

### MEN

Senior Strokeplay - Micky Huriwaka  
Intermediate Strokeplay - Joseph Howe  
Junior Strokeplay - Heremaia Pene  
Senior Champ - Micky Huriwaka  
Senior Runner Up - Hasley Howe  
Senior Plate - Charlie Hayes  
Intermediate Champ - Reeko Loeffen  
Intermediate Runner Up - Denis Newey  
Intermediate Plate - Ray Shove  
Junior Champ - Marcus Abraham  
Junior Runner Up - Heremaia Pene  
Junior Plate - Julian Lee  
Junior B Champ - Steve Nelson  
Junior B Runner Up - Tamarau Karepa  
Shoot Out - Denis Newey  
Summer Cup - Shane Malloy  
Simpsons - Steve Nelson & Dan Morrison  
Simpsons Runner Up - Peter Gleeson & Denis Newey  
Captains - Fabian Tai  
Captains Runner Up - Craig Oswald  
4BBB - Fabian Tai & Kopua Robinson  
4BBB Runner Up - Ross White & John McKain  
Medal Cup - Kopua Robinson  
Medal Cup Runner Up - Craig Oswald  
Patrons Stableford - Craig Oswald  
Patrons Runner Up - Garney Morunga  
K Cup - Micky Huriwaka  
Presidents Cup - Ngatata Kingi  
Presidents Cup Runner Up - Donald Kurei  
Grandfathers - Ross White  
Veterans - Charlie Hayes

Veterans Runner Up - Craig Oswald  
Veterans Plate - Ray Shove  
Marquevue Cup - Joseph Howe  
Heginbotham Cup - Joseph Howe  
Most Improved - Dan Morrison

### LADIES

Senior Strokeplay - Shaynee Biddle-Tai  
Intermediate Strokeplay - Raylene Morunga  
Junior Strokeplay - Christine Kora  
Senior Matchplay Champ - Shaynee Biddle-Tai  
Intermediate Matchplay Champ - Raylene Morunga  
Junior Matchpolay Champ - Christine Kora  
Shoot Out - Raylene Morunga  
Summer Cup - Glenys Hayes  
Silver LGU Medal - Sharon Howe  
Bronze LGU Medal - Janice Hustler  
Bronze 2 LGU Medal - Claire Balderstone  
JD Clarke Rosebowl - Marilyn Harris/Sharon Howe  
Ariki Cup - Glenys Hayes  
Aiken Cup - Glenys Hayes  
Vanstone Vase - Glenys Hayes  
Eclectic - Sharon Howe  
Stableford - Glenys Hayes  
Peg Mansell - Janice Hustler  
Dorothy Hedley - Kris Shove  
Grandmothers Trophy - Glenys Hayes  
Bisque Par - Glenys Hayes  
PAR - Sue Gleeson  
Don Collins Salver - Lenda Pimm  
Most Improved - Raylene Morunga  
Houghton Cup - Glenys Hayes



## OPOTIKI GOLF CLUB

### AGM

**Wednesday 20th November 2024, 6.30pm**  
**Clubhouse on Fromow Road, Opotiki**

#### **Nominations for 2025 Club Committee:**

##### **President**

Terry Reeve

##### **Patron**

Robbie Petersen

##### **Mens Club Captain**

Wayne Morrow

##### **Ladies Club Captain**

Chris Kora

##### **Ladies Vice Captain**

Raylene Morunga

##### **Committee**

Annie Rolls, Julian Lee,  
Kieran Hickey, Erica Howe,  
Sam Doogue, Andrew Larsen,  
Daniel Morrison, Steven Fisher.

## **TWILIGHT GOLF – SHOOT OUT**

Qualifying rounds for the – Twilight Golf Shoot Out – begin this Tuesday 12th November 2024.

Entry fee is \$10pp, payable to Polly at the first round.

There will be 4 qualifying rounds – 12th Nov – 19th Nov – 26th Nov & 3rd Dec.

Your 2 best Stableford rounds will count.

The TOP 10 QUALIFYERS will go on to the final on the 10th December.

**When you print your card, ensure you tick the competition to be eligible.**

## **MEMBERSHIP**

### **REMINDER...**



2024/2025 Membership Subscriptions are due for payment by 20th November 2024.

There is only a few weeks left to get in touch if you need to make an arrangement for payment, there are quite a few still outstanding. Please contact the office before this date otherwise **you will be removed from dotGolf & you will not be able to print a card.**

**If your membership is paid your bag tags are ready to be collected from the office.**

# JUNIOR GOLF



Elijah Huriwaka, Waimanawa Robinson and Precious Hermon played for the BOP in the Booth Shield at Lake View Golf Club in Rotorua. Wellington took the win but well done to BOP with 3rd place



Tainui Morunga & Maui Paruru travelled to Omokoroa and played in the Junior Open on 3rd November.

Congratulations to Stevee Biddle-Tai on her selection into the BOP Womens Interprovincial team as a playing reserve. Stevee will be travelling to Christchurch with the team where they will be playing from the 3rd to 7th December.

On a more serious note, over the past few months we have seen a rise in criminal activity around the clubhouse. This has meant we have tightened up on our security measures. Please be mindful of your actions around the container. If you choose to leave your equipment on site – IT IS AT YOUR OWN RISK. The club takes no responsibility for your gear. If you are accessing the container, please make sure you lock it behind you. There is a key kept at the office and access is for MEMBERS ONLY. Anyone seen loitering around will be asked to move on.