

Thursday Thoughts

MANGAWHAI
GOLF CLUB

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LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE LADIES!

We're always keen to maintain a positive gender balance in all our communications, so we're sensitive to comments that we have not been keeping you updated with Women's Pennants results so far this season. Our plaintive bleat that "we don't know until someone tells us" has now been heard and we can now bring you results from last week: Mangawhai 1 played Northland at The Pines and won all matches (Sherrill Glen, Jan Grover, Diane Alexander & Heather Tobin). Mangawhai 2 played Wellsford at Waipu and all lost all matches (Julie Eddington, Sheila Gough, Marjory Rae & Jewel Sterling). Our on-the-spot reporter assures us that future results will be provided, so stay tuned and be informed.

AND ONE FOR THE MEN, ONE MORE TIME!

Just in case you hadn't caught the news, our Mangawhai 1L team, despite having a home advantage, got seriously spanked by Mangawhai 2W last Sunday. Say no more.

MEN'S PENNANTS THIS WEEKEND

18-hole Pennants are at Ngunguru, on Saturday. Mangawhai 1L, comprising Campbell Rae, Duncan Chisholm, Wayne Watts, Warren Mulcahy, Dave Foster and Gerry Hogan, tees off at 11.10am against BOI/Kerikeri. Mangawhai 2W, comprising Greg Furnell, Greg Quinn, Tarrin Rous, Nick Launder, Ole Iversen and Ray McIntyre, tees off at 11.30 against Whangarei. Meet in our carpark at 9.15am.

36-holers play at Waipu against Waiotira, teeing off at 7.50am. Our **Championship** team plays their final round in the North Harbour competition and we're confident they'll hang onto, if not extend, their 0.5 lead at the top of the points table.



SUMMER TWILIGHT WINNER DRAWN TOMORROW

Kathy's been busily tapping away on the calculator to allocate entries in tomorrow night's big draw for the Golfing Trip to Australia generously donated by Bill and Jono Mabey of Experience Golf NZ. We hope both Bill and Jono will be in the clubhouse and we thank them both for their ongoing contributions to the members of our club.

With Daylight Saving now ended, the last Twilight tee times are for 4.04pm and these will be gradually adjusted as the sunset times draw in on us.

COMING UP

Men's competition golf – this Saturday sees the finals of the Vets Matchplay. At 9.00am Colin Carley plays Ron Horsfall in the 70+ division while Peter Cornes and Iain Butler battle for the 60-69 title. There'll be a Stableford haggles for others.

Women's competition golf – this Saturday sees Coronation Medal & Aotearoa Cup rounds played, and a Net haggles.

On Sunday, regular visitors The Bays Club are coming to Mangawhai, for an early breakfast and then a two-tee start from 10.30am. Most days of the week are busy – yes, even Thursdays – but we still get members turning up without bookings and getting grumpy that they can't get an immediate start. Your problem.

THEN THERE'S EASTER

This year, that will run from Good Friday through till Easter Monday. For starters, please remember to bring your double-chocolate Easter Eggs into the Golf Shop – thank you very much.

On Good Friday there's no Twilight Golf. On Saturday, just Stableford haggles for Men and Women. On **Sunday** we hold the **annual Barfoot & Thompson Mixed Open** and there's a morning field from 7.15 to about 8.00am, then a shotgun start at 12.45pm. Entries are good but there's still room for more – get your name on the sheet in the Golf Shop asap. On **Monday** the regular men's group will not be playing but you're welcome to book your individual times if you want to play.

MAJOR EVENTS ON THE HORIZON

On **Sunday 7 May** we'll be hosting the **Mangawhai Junior Open**, a Northland Junior Tour event for under 18s. Boys will play from the Blue Championship tees and Girls from the Red Tees.

On **Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 May** we have the **Tom Bonnington Cup & Mangawhai Invitational** weekend. We're anticipating a top field this year with many of the associations wanting their top players to get a taste of Mangawhai before the Toro Interprovincials here in November.

Get your bloody entry in!

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