



### **NO TIME TO WASTE. THERE'S A DAY OFF TO PREPARE FOR.**

These statutory holidays come all at the wrong time and we find ourselves getting twisted knickers about all the things we have to get done before we slope off for a day off. So, no preamble this week, no scandal (although we have heard titillating rumours about odd goings-on a recent gathering of the Monday Men and hope to bring you the facts next week).

### **COURSE MAINTENANCE HAS BEGUN**

The team have been out there since dawn with implements and instruments that are plunging deep into our greens and removing man-sized cores that then get swept off. Then comes a sanding, a brushing and a bit of loving care – quite a process and we'll all be experiencing some rather different putting surfaces for the next week or three. Just remember, as you curse when a putt bumps off-line, that it's the same for everyone ... and you'll probably get a few that go in despite your mediocre efforts.



*Looks like a few stray mutts have been let loose to do their doggy-dooos on the greens.*



*Stage 5 of 7 or so – and the day's just begun.*

### **WEDNESDAY MAVERICKS OFF TO WAIPU**

With no play possible here at Mangawhai our intrepid Mavericks are off to play Waipu this Wednesday, 26 April. Field Marshall Finlay says be there (at Waipu, just in case you've forgotten already) before 10.30am, whereupon you will be organised (not a Mavericks word, that) into playing groups to do battle from Waipu's Blue tees. Find your own way there (to Waipu, just in case you'd forgotten you've forgotten) and if you need a cart, call through to Waipu and get yourself sorted.

### **NO WOMEN'S GOLF, NO WEDNESDAY MIXED GROUP, NO THURSDAY LADIES ... AND FRIDAY TWILIGHT IS TO BE CONFIRMED.**

Most of you who play in these regular groups will be aware of the restrictions this week and the above headline gives you the latest update. Friday Twilight will be dependent on how work progresses and we'll update you on Thursday. Those events scheduled for the weekend will proceed as planned and hopefully you'll get a few putts to drop in the right hole. Saturday Women play Round 4 of the Hayes Cup and a Stableford haggie. Saturday Men play Round 1 of the Wintle Rosebowl, with Round 2 to be played on Sunday morning. Please only enter Round 1 if you're able to play Round 2 on Sunday. There'll also be a Nett haggie (on Saturday).

On Sunday we have the afore-mentioned Wintle Rosebowl Round 2 from 9.00am, with our Championship Pennant Team playing their home semi-final against South Head from 10.30am. (This could produce some great golf so turn up and give our boys the support they deserve.)

### **CLUB SUB. WINNER**

Congratulations to Shel Lloyd, winner of the raffle for a year's membership subscription. Runners-up (nearest number either side of the winner) were Sarah Lay and Garth Dye who both won \$100 in club vouchers. Thanks to all who entered – rumour has it that a similar raffle may run later in the year.

### **PAIRS CHAMPS "PLEASANTLY SURPRISED"**

Their words were somewhat more graphic, but Peter Adkins and Laurie Mentzer were worthy winners of the Men's Pairs Championships on Saturday. They are also now the holders of the Fagan Mugs and are open to challenge from any pair, with the loser filling the mugs with suitable beverage for the winners to glorify in.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED WEDNESDAY TO WORK ON DRAINAGE IN FRONT OF FIRST GREEN.  
REPORT TO GOLF SHOP BY 9.00AM AND BRING A SHOVEL AND YOUR BEST WORKING ATTITUDE**

*And a happy story – holidaying Manager Steve aced the 10<sup>th</sup> at Wairakei yesterday. Shame we all missed out on the shout.*