



July 2021 Newsletter

COOKE HOWLISON BRASS MONKEY TOURNAMENT WARM UP

## June events:

June 7<sup>th</sup> (Monday): Queens Birthday medal and Holm Cup .....and the winner was Don McDonald with a net 68



Bob Brent presenting Don with the drinking vessel.

**June 26-27 (Sat-Sun):** Men's Brass Monkey Tournament. On behalf of the Organising Committee, I would like to thank all those who supported our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Blokes' Brass Monkey Tournament. For the second year in a row we were spoilt with the weather! A full field enjoyed some great golf in ideal winter conditions.....and were well fed by club caterers Black Rabbit.

It is impossible to run a tournament like this without volunteer support. A big thank you to the many volunteers who assisted in a variety of ways. One of the aims of this tournament is to showcase our course under Winter conditions. Once again our ground staff did us proud and presented the course in excellent condition. Finally I would like to acknowledge our sponsors. In particular our major sponsor – Cooke Howlison Cromwell MG. We appreciate the significant role they play in this tournament.

Wayne Dixon



The winning team Phil Ramsey and Dean Harvey with sponsor representative Errol Steentjes.

#### Upcoming events:

Nothing happening in July, just the regular stuff....but a sneak preview of early August as follows:

**August 1<sup>st</sup> (Sunday):** Knox Trophy – Mixed Canadian foursome open to 9 and 18 hole members.

**August 4-5 (Wed-Thur):** Women's Winter Fun Tournament. The course will be closed both days for this event.

## Course Report

The front of the bunker has been reshaped on hole number 10 with front edge taken off and more sand has been added in the bunker.

Spiking of greens have been done prewinter. The odd mini holes will be punched in throughout winter on wet parts of greens.

Normal Iron application for winter has started. The main line pipe along the 15th fairway has been located. Root pruning will take place here soon. Spiking (aeration) of the surrounds has been done. Spiking of the tees has also been done.

Harry's hole on 17 has been lifted slightly. The reason behind this is the hole had gotten too deep for the mower to get in but more of a concern is that it cannot get out as units scrape at the base. Overtime this will damage the units, so it has been raised up and will take a while to settle down and get back to its original look. This will be a GUR until further notice.

Cheers, Jud.

### From the Board (June meeting)

We have been pleasantly surprised by the number of green fees at what is normally a very quiet time of year. For example, 97 NZ Affiliated visitors played the course last month (May).

Green fee income for May, while not a significant amount, was double our budget. Green fees for the year-to-date have now surpassed our annual budget with 4 months of the year remaining. This is pleasing considering when the budget was set, we had no idea what our recovery after covid lockdown would look like.

Our membership now stands at 570 with 10 new members last month and 3 resignations.

Our new 12-month fixed term greenkeeper has been appointed and will start work on August 9. Tennille is to take maternity leave as from the last week in July.

The board is to seek a price for a fence along the south side of the clubhouse to hide the rubbish/service area.

All bar prices will be reviewed next month.

Willie's women's coaching group for new golfers has been well attended and he and Irwin were asked to look into ways

of encouraging them to get out onto the course and join in club golf. Junior coaching is also going well, particularly for primary children.

Willie was asked to ensure safety measures were put in place after concern was expressed that balls from the driving range were being struck towards the 1st hole.

The bike race that was to have been held on the course next month has been postponed until 2022.

We have had no word yet from Dean Murphy regarding the assessment of options he is working on for us with the CODC.

Regards, Laurel & Lester

## Staff

As noted in the Board report above, Tennille will be away from work for approximately 12 months and Trevor Jones will be joining the greens staff starting on August 9<sup>th</sup>.

## Building

Plans are underway to replace the front double doors leading into the clubhouse. Due to workloads in the aluminium window/door business at this time it will not be as quick as I'd like but will happen.

## Green fee voucher

I have a voucher for a round of golf for 2 with a cart for the Mangawhai Golf Club. It expires in May 2022. If any member is going to the north and has an interest in the voucher, let me know and make an offer. The money will go back into the club.

## July Calendars:

#### Men's July Calendar

- Fri 2 9 Hole Men's Competition
- Sat 3 Monthly Medal. Blue or White Tees. Best Gross and Putting. 4<sup>th</sup> Round Old Smuggler completed
- Wed 7 Men's Wed Competition
- Fri 9 9 Hole men's Competition
- Sat 10 4BBB Stableford. Entries close for Goodall Memorial
- Wed 14 Men's Wed Competition
- Fri 16 9 Hole Men's Competition
- Sat 17 Stableford. 1<sup>st</sup> Round Bobby Jones Cup, 5th round Old Smuggler
- Wed 21 Men's Wed Competition
- Fri 23 9 Hole Men's Competition
- Sat 24 Medal. Silver Course. 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Hay Paterson Cup
- Wed 28 Men's Wed Competition
- Fri 30 9 Hole Men's Competition
- Sat 31 Stableford. Final of Old Smuggler

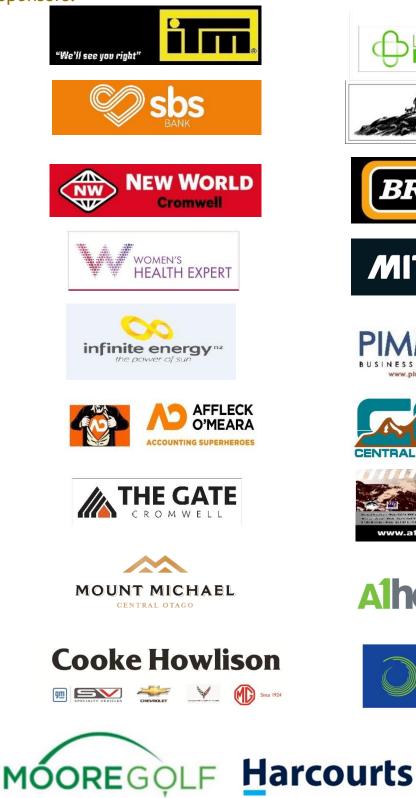
#### Women's July Calendar

- Thu 1 Starter's Choice
- Sat 3 2nd Round Audrey Wright Eclectic,
- Tue 6 2nd Round Audrey Wright Eclectic, 9 -Hole Medal & Putting (B)
- Thu 8 Starter's Choice. 3rd Round Colling Trophy.
- Sat 10 Monthly Medal and Putting N/P
- Tue 13 Monthly Medal and Putting, 9-Hole 4th Round Colleen Smith Cup, Stableford (F)
- Thu 15 Starters choice
- Sat 17 Stableford. 4th Round Home Pennants. 3rd Round Goodall Memorial.
- **Tue 20** Stableford. 4th Round Home Pennants. 3rd Round Goodall Memorial.

9-Hole 5th Round Vina Paterson Trophy, 4-BBB (B)

- Thu 22 O'Kane Trophy
- Sat 24 3rd Round Audrey Wright (Eclectic) + Extra Medal
- Tue 27 3rd Round Audrey Wright (Eclectic) + Extra Medal. 9-Hole Hidden Hole Stableford (F)
- Thu 29 Rae Henderson Trophy. Beginners Match Play

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