



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun 2 Mar - Women's Masters

Mon 3 Mar - Secondary Schools Eagles Intercollegiate

Thu 6 Mar -Harvest Tournament

Fri 14 March -Bayley's Charity Tournament

Fri 28 Mar -Brandhouse Series Final

Thu 3 Apr -CO Seniors Championship

Fri 4 Apr - COAGC -CO Autumn Golf Classic

24 April -Futures Junior Tournament

5 May - CO Vets

CLUB PRESIDENT • PETER WILLIAMS

The Committee are pleased to report two significant events coming up in November this year:

On the second Sunday of the month (November 9) the Club will become an associate sponsor of the Cromwell Lions Club Golden Golf Day which has been a significant fundraiser for local community groups in recent years.

This year will be the first of a five year association the Club will have with the tournament and we're delighted to be able to contribute to a worthy community cause. Golf Club and Lions Club members like Wayne Collie and Bob Brent have the details of the event if you'd like to take part.

Three weeks later on November 30 the Club itself is hosting a fundraising event for .. itself! We want to be able to contribute to the Club's building fund for development of the Clubhouse. Building plans are currently being drafted and they will be put to members when they're completed but the project will not be cheap.

So on November 30, we plan to hold a three person ambrose event with two teams playing together. It means a big field of 162 players - we don't want things to be taken too seriously! Plans are afoot for a car as a holein-one prize and we intend to have lots of other options for you to have a wee wager on some of your other shots during the day. Add in a few good raffles and some sponsorship and the Match Committee is confident we can raise a solid five figure sum for the Clubhouse Fund.

More details will be forthcoming in the next few months but in the meantime, mark November 30 as a day you must be at golf!

Les Topping and his Course Committee advise that there will be more trees removed from early April. This time we're targeting those messy and moisture-sucking gum trees, like the big ones near the left-hand bunker on the 9th and the one on the left-hand side of the 16th fairway.

The Board has now approved the purchase of a turf cutter which we hope can be used to improve troublesome areas of fairway around the course. The fairways are going to be a major focus for improvement in the next few months. A Club such as ours should not have to have placing, especially in spring, summer and autumn.

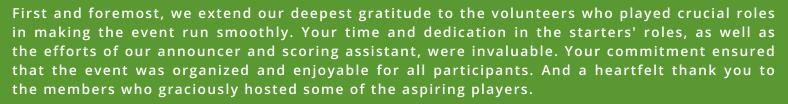


You will have noted that the Out of Bounds on the 18th has been brought in from the fence as we endeavour to direct play away from the houses that border the course. We have to angle play out towards the left of the 18th which means players on the 10th may be in danger. Therefore the white tee may have to be taken back to where the blue tee currently is. But we have to reduce the possibility of golf balls hitting the neighbours' houses. Yes, I know we were there first, but the law says golf courses have to ensure their neighbours are safe. You may have seen reports about the Holyhead Golf Club in Wales that's had to close its current 18th completely after a complaint from a neighbour. Now the Club has to raise more than \$150,000 to redesign the hole and build a new green. We don't ever want our situation to come to that.

NEW ZEALAND OPEN FINAL QUALIFYING ROUND 2025

We are thrilled to share the success of the last qualifying round for the Golf Open held at our clubon monday 24 February. The event was a resounding success, thanks to the collective efforts of our dedicated team and supportive community.

A Heartfelt Thank You to Our Volunteers



Kudos to Our Greenkeepers

A special thank you goes out to our greenkeepers for their exceptional preparation of the course. The pristine condition of the greens and fairways was a testament to your hard work and expertise. Your efforts did not go unnoticed and were highly appreciated by all players and supporters.

Appreciation for Our Caterer

We also want to thank our caterer for being there and keeping everyone nourished throughout the day. Your delicious offerings provided much-needed energy and comfort to both supporters and players, contributing to the overall positive atmosphere of the event.

There was lots of social media engagement on the Club's Facebook and Instagram accounts

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WOMEN'S MATCH COMMITTEE

The Women's Interclub Competition kicked off last Sunday at Tarras. Top honours were taken by the host team, with not too much in it between the other placings. Thanks to our intrepid team members who tackled the very dry conditions with enthusiasm.

Final preparations are in place for our Harvest Tournament which takes place next week on March 6.

Liquorland Shootout winner for February was Margaret Cochrane.



Women's Interclub team at Tarras (L to R): Trish Linton, Jacqui Rose-Anderson, Raewyn Price, Natalie Frankilin & Danielle Davies

MEN'S MATCH COMMITTEE

Men's Match has instigated a change to our "twos" policy and will be paying half of the pot to any golfer who gets a two on a par four.





This month, the Tom Paisley Cup for Lefthanders was won by Craig Lunn. The cup was presented by Vice Captain Simon Prentice.

The Neil Middlemass trophy was played last Saturday in memory of our past Course Superintendent. We had a good showing of his family and close friends. The trophy was won by Peter Reinke and presented by Neil's son, Bryce.



CHANGING OF THE GUARDS

The following volunteer positions have come available:

Raffles Coordinator

After many years of dedicated service, Gerry Conlan has decided to step down from the Raffles Coordinator role, leaving behind some big shoes to fill. But don't let that intimidate you! The position can either cover both Wednesday and Saturday, or it can be shared between two members.

We welcome any feedback from members regarding the raffles, including how they have been conducted and the prizes offered.

Bar Support Volunteer

The Club is seeking a volunteer to assist with keeping the bar stocked throughout the week and putting away bar purchases on Wednesdays. Additionally, help with the monthly stocktake would be greatly appreciated.

Legends Tournament Convenor

After many years of organizing the tournament, Willie Moore has decided to pass the baton to new leadership. Next year marks the 30th anniversary of our cornerstone annual tournament—will you be the one to take on this exciting challenge?

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to email your expression of interest to <u>manager@cromwellgolf.co.nz</u>

JUNIOR GOLF LESSONS

Term 1 Junior Golf sessions - Wednesdays 4-5pm -

Open to all Primary school students

******Spaces still available**

Term 1 College Golf sessions - Thursdays 4-5pm -Open to all Secondary school students

> Equipment supplied Experienced coaches

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COURSE CONVENOR

Not a lot to report this month other than tidy up of the course in preparation for the NZ Open Qualifyer. This mainly involves clean up of gum tree bark which the trees shed during hot windy periods. The #15 white tee approach has been reseeded again and this time we have a good strike.

The ladies also completed their first regular monthly working bee, tidying up the messy flax outside the Clubhouse.



The Ladies Working Bee is a regular event on our calendar:

When: Last Monday of each month at 9am

Contact: Vicky Topping if you'd like to help

We'd love to have you join us!

UPCOMING WORK

- <u>Gum tree removal</u>: We will be removing 13 gum trees that have been identified as problematic starting on 8 April.
- <u>New tree plantings</u>: We will be planting new trees to enhance the landscape and promote a healthy environment. These new plantings have been carefully selected to suit our local climate and soil conditions.
- <u>Additional irrigation lines</u>: We have identified areas on the course that will benefot of additional irrigation to help the new tree plantings along.
- Fairway repairs: Once the turf cutter arrives, we will begin working on the fairways.

OTHER HAPPENINGS

- <u>Website redesign:</u> We have begun the process of redesigning our website. Our main focus is to achieve better integration with the Golf NZ system and database, along with revamping the site navigation and ensuring branding consistency.
- <u>Clubhouse refurbishment</u>: The refurbishment project has officially started. We have initiated conversations to develop concept plans, which will be presented to the members in due course.



CATERING UPDATE

We had a fantastic time serving up coffees, breakfasts, and more for the recent NZ Open Qualifier! It was great to see the golfers well-fueled and ready to compete, and we appreciate all the spectators who stopped by to support both the players and our café. Thanks for making it a great event!

For those times when the café isn't staffed, we've got you covered with a selection of sandwiches, slices, snacks, ice cream, and drinks. Payment can be made via club account, EFTPOS, or the honesty box for cash purchases. Plus, we're now stocking Cromwell's famous Sanga's Pies, which are flying off the shelves! Currently, we have the Holy Smoke Steak & Cheese and Baby Boomer Mince Pie—if you have a favorite flavor you'd like to see, let us know!

Since launching Buffalo's three years ago, we've been proud supporters of local youth sports, including field hockey, ice hockey, Jiu-Jitsu, Mixed Martial Arts, and basketball. Now, we're bringing that same passion to junior golf! Mark your calendars for late March/early April (date TBA) for the 1st Annual Buffalo's Junior Open.

This fun Ambrose event is open to 12and-under kid/parent teams, with awesome prizes for best dressed, top scores, and more. It's guaranteed to be a fantastic day for young golfers!

Exciting news for March—Buffalo's Café will be open to both members and the public for coffee and breakfast hours! Stay tuned for the official opening date and times. We can't wait to welcome you in for great food and friendly service!

Follow **@buffalos.golf** on social media to keep up to date with the latest news and happenings.





THURSDAY TWILIGHT COMPETITION

Twilight is coming to an end - only 2 more rounds -6 March and 13 March





SHE LOVES GOLF SUMMER SERIES

GRAND

- only 2 more rounds -4 March and 11 March

The ladies are going all out with a bang of a closing night!



TO CELEBRATE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH SHE LOVES GOLF

CROMWELL GOLF CLUB

PRESENTS

SUMMER SERIES

TUESDAY 11TH MARCH 2025 4-PERSON AMBROSE



- Awesome Prizes
- Raffles include winning a lesson with golf pro Marnie McGuire
- Incentives like "Nearest the pin" etc
- Putting competition
- Prize for Best Dressed team
- · Ring-ins welcome to make up teams of 4
- Returning/New Teams: limited space available please contact shelovesgolf@cromwellgolf.co.nz)

THEME: BLACK & WHITE

Draw will be posted on facebook on 9th March First tee off 3.30pm. Prizegiving approx 8.30 pm

articipants ->

MEMBERS \$5



Nationwide Giveaway for #shelovesgolf participants -> go in the draw to win a 3 night stay at any Marsden property in New Zealand & a round of golf for two #SHELOVESGOLF

