



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi everyone!

I do hope you are all off to a great start to another golfing year and that our pennant teams are doing well! We usually enjoy an Indian summer in March and April but this year the autumn leaves are falling and it is raining.

At least the course and our ponds are benefitting. The course is very green and in excellent condition, and our greens have recovered quickly from being cored.

Thank you to the four tree planting musketeers (Kath, Chris, Carol and Duncan Mack) who have been hard at work again. You may have noticed that they have replaced the few new trees which didn't survive and have planted natives around the pond on the no 17 side.

The three bay practice nets will be erected soon and pegs are currently marking the location behind no 18 green near the car park. The committee are working on a proposal for the renovation of our tees (including irrigation replacement) to be staged over three years as agreed by our members at the AGM in December. However the progression of this project will be dependent on the success of our funding applications.

Congratulations to Kevin, Mike and the match committee on the successful You Travel Gleniti Open held in February. And to Joan and her committee for the very enjoyable Gleniti Women's Open run last month. Our standards are high and our tournaments very well managed. I am always very proud and appreciative of everyone's efforts.

Thank you too to all of those who helped with Twilight golf this year which I believe was well supported.

The club is again budgeting for a \$23,000 annual surplus. We are mainly on track, however the bar turnover is down by 13% on last year. This drop has been anticipated for some time as more golfers choose not to drink and drive. Please remember that your membership subscriptions are overdue now and should be paid – unless you have made alternative arrangements with Shirley.

On the fundraising front we are grateful to the guys who have already nearly reached their firewood sales target of \$5,000. Please get ready to sell our travel raffle tickets and for our cheese rolls campaign - mark **25 June** on your calendar. Don't worry Duncan and I will be there!!

The Club has been working with Malcolm Wood the Aorangi Golf Development Manager and are appreciative that he has introduced some Roncalli College students and teachers to our club. We have only had limited success with the She Loves Golf campaign despite Joan Bryan's very best efforts with a few girls.

Joan and I recently attended a thought provoking Aorangi meeting with Richard Hudson who is the NZ Golf Club Capability Manager. We were asked what golf will look like 20 years from now. Perhaps it will be a faster shorter game fitting around work and lifestyles???? We all agreed that if clubs make no changes and do not try to attract more people into the game, then the average age of Aorangi golfers (currently 62 years) will continue to increase. And clubs will become less viable. We need to offer pathways and support for beginners and to consider flexible playing and membership options. Richard will be coming along to Gleniti at 6.30 pm on Tuesday 18 April to discuss our club capability with the committee and you are all welcome to attend and take part in the discussion.

In a medical emergency please look for the defibrillator soon to be purchased and installed in the clubhouse. We will organise training for some of our members.

Till next time, happy golfing!

Carole



WOMEN'S REPORT

Well the rain has arrived and now has forgotten to stop!!! Not to worry our golf still goes on. Carole Brand and partner Vicky Moore (Ashburton) went to the Autumn Foursomes and won the N.Z. flight Salver. Good effort.

Twelve of our ladies had a week's golf in Blenheim. Approx 200 in the field and the Gleniti girls flew the flag with Ann Westgarth, Trish Knight, Raewyn Cormick, Kath Galwey, Rayleen

Cowles, and Glenda Frew all bringing home prizes. They had a wonderful week - what with shopping and exploring the wineries.

This last weekend 1st and 2nd April twenty two of our ladies took off to Fairlie for the annual Glencairn. They also did well. Adrienne Morrison, Jodi Welsh, Glen McConnell, Judy Taylor and Joan Bryan all featured on the prize list. On the Sunday our Gleniti girls shone with Junior stb Glenda Frew, Senior Stb Carole Brand, Senior nett Leona Woodnorth, Junior nett Anne Newman, Senior nearest pin Jodi Welsh. Great weekend had by all.

Our ladies tournament had a field of 66 ladies playing on a beautifully turned out course and the sun was shining. The winner over the field was Joan Bryan with a nett 69. (*Congratulations Joan – Ed!!*)

Here's looking forward to clearer playing days.
Joan



MEN'S REPORT

The 2017 golfing season is well under way, starting with the opening day winners of the Graham Cup being Barry & Pam Williams.

Congratulations to the winners of the 2 day You Travel Gleniti Open on the 11th & 12th February. Men's winners T. Hammond & J. Domigan and the Mixed/Ladies winners I. Cartney & S. Kenton.

The 1st three qualifying rounds for the Timaru Motors/XCM Sports shootout have been played with D. Brand (February) and D. Carter (March) A. Harper (April) winners.

The draw for the singles knockout has been posted on the noticeboard. Please look for when the rounds have to be played by.

The greens have come back really well after recent coring and the course is looking in great order after the recent rain (pity it had to come in the weekend when everybody looks forward to their weekly golfing fix).

3 teams have been entered for Winter pennants in 3 different grades. Years gone by we used to have at least 8 or more teams in winter pennants (a sign of the times).

Happy golfing
Kevin



GREENS REPORT

The greens were cored on the 22nd Feb and with the help of mother nature they have recovered very quickly. Some members ask why we core twice a year? It's like anything, if you do the maintenance you get the results and our greens have been excellent for years!!! The next coring will be done on the Monday after the October tournament.

The practice nets are on their way, the committee has agreed to an area at the north end of the car park and we are also getting quotes for the replacements of the sprinklers on the tees so we can apply for funding.

Our Monday team of volunteers are still doing a great job around the course and we all owe them a great big THANK YOU for the work they do. If you have some spare time on a Monday between 9 and 12 please make contact with Allan Boulton he will only be too happy to hear from you.

Good golfing
Bob Mortimer



Caution

HEALTH & SAFETY

Good progress has been made on the new Health & Safety requirements. Moira Briscoe from Compliance Partners is helping for 12 months.

The Health & Safety Policy has been signed by Carole and Kevin and laminated and put on the main noticeboard in the Clubhouse.

There have been 6 Fire Action notices laminated. These have been put on the walls of the men's and ladies rooms, kitchen, starters shed, given to the tenant upstairs and on the main noticeboard in the clubhouse.

10 Volunteer Health & Safety Handbooks have been photocopied and are available beside the fireplace in the clubhouse

10 Contractor Health & Safety Handbooks have also been photocopied and are available beside the fireplace in the clubhouse.

There are Incident, Near-Miss & Accident forms available beside the fireplace in the Clubhouse if there is an accident to be recorded. We have already used this form as one of the 9 holers slipped and fell down on Number 4 tee. Thankfully there was no major injury.

Bob Mortimer is completing the Fire Evacuation Scheme. Fire Wardens to be confirmed at next Committee Meeting.

Paul McCully from Jim's Test & Tag has kindly offered to tag our electrical equipment.

Yvonne Cook
(Champion Health & Safety)



HOUSE

The laying of the carpet in the men's room has now completed the refurbishment. Fellows - please try and clean your shoes before entering here so we can keep it looking good.

The starter's office has also had carpet fitted, along with two new benches.

The new shade curtains have been installed on the windows in the clubhouse.

All in all a lot of improvements.

The septic tank has had a major cleanout (and a regular check has now been arranged). New tee markers are a work in progress.

Fire drills etc. are being arranged to comply with the implementation of our Health and Safety requirements.

Barrie



BAR

Takings down in the bar due to wet weather. However there was one special birthday that propped up the bar coffers!

Maurie



SPONSORSHIP

The new signs have been completed and up since last newsletter. Will talk to Peter Taylor about getting something to adjust the new women's stroke hole rankings.

Some of our sponsorships are coming up for renewal this year and we hope that those businesses have been repaid with patronage from our members.

If you, or someone you know, would consider supporting the club through sponsorship please get in touch.

Heather T

AORANGI GOLF

In case you haven't completed the survey sent out earlier this week.

As part of our strategic planning, Aorangi Golf Board has asked Richard Hudson, NZ Golf's Mainland Club Capability Manager to conduct a survey on our behalf (link is below)

If you are involved in golf in the Aorangi region, this survey will allow you to have your say on the direction we take in growing the game.

Please take the time to complete this survey which will remain open until April 9 – your responses are anonymous unless you wish to add your name.

Thanks for your time

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/aorangigolf-survey>

Kind regards
Debbie Lovett
Chairperson



Heather Taylor found this picture (sorry about the quality) in a NZ Golf magazine. Good to see the Gleniti girls having a good time in Fiji last August.

Term Investment specials

Effective from 27 March 2017

3.65% p.a.

9 months interest at maturity

interest rates:

	TERM	RATE P.A.
Interest at Maturity Specials	6 months	3.45%
	9 months	3.65%
	12 months	3.65%
	18 months	3.75%
	24 months	3.90%
	36 months	4.00%
Minimum investment \$5,000		
Maximum investment \$250,000		

	TERM	RATE P.A.
Quarterly Interest	6 months	3.40%
	9 months	3.60%
	12 months	3.60%
	18 months	3.65%
	24 months	3.80%
	36 months	3.80%
Minimum investment \$5,000		
Maximum investment \$250,000		

Term Investments rates are for Redeemable Share Investments. Rates for investments less than the minimum, greater than the maximum, or a different interest and/or payment frequency and Deposit Investments are available on request.

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