



TABLE TALK

18 January 2019

Programme 2019

19 Jan	Summer Cup – Stableford, Summer Cup
20 Jan	Canterbury Golf Event – Men's Over 50's & 60's – Rnd 4
21 Jan	MidWeek Men – Stableford
22 Jan	MidWeek Ladies – Summer Cup Rnd 4, Twilight Starts – Multi-Tee 5:30pm
23 Jan	9 Hole Ladies – Own 4's
24 Jan	MidWeek Ladies – Matchplay, MidWeek Men – Bisque Par
26 Jan	Opening Day Stableford – Henley & Walker Trophies, Ringers & Shootout Starts, Par – Shootout begins

Members News

Season's Greetings

Happy New Year to all members and your families. I have returned from leave to find our course in even better condition than pre-Xmas and the very positive comments from players reinforces the fact that Woodlands is in the best shape since re-opening in 2012, and arguably many years before that. Whilst the weather has been very helpful with a wet spring and regular rainy periods, we have also invested more this year in wetting agents, fertilisers and targeted renovation. You may have also noticed a spruce-up of the entrance gates so thanks to Colin & Dan for their painting efforts pre-Xmas. We hope to be able to continue to improve the appearance of the entrance and driveway during the year.

I look forward to catching up with you all during 2019. Neville

Bereavement – Steve Irwin

We were all very shocked to hear of Steve's sudden death on Boxing Day. Steve was a former staff member here and had recently joined the greenkeeping staff at Clearwater. We had a staff golf challenge with Clearwater as recently as Dec 20th so to hear of his sudden death came as a great shock to us all. I know Steve will be missed by all who knew him and our condolences go to his family.

Barry Gardiner - New Year's Honour

Congratulations to Barry for becoming a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to sport, particularly squash. Barry has been involved with sports as a player and administrator at club, district, national and international levels. He has held voluntary committee membership positions with squash clubs for 51 years. He was a Senior Administrator of Squash Canterbury for 11 years and served as Vice President for five years. He was a Senior Selector for Squash New Zealand Senior Men/Women and Selector/Convenor for Southern District Squash for seven years. He served on the World Squash Disciplinary Committee for Oceania for five years. He was President of Squash New Zealand for two years. He was Chair of the 2008 World Squash Masters and a committee member and Assistant Director of the 1994 World Squash Junior Championships. He has been Secretary of the West Coast

Cricket Association and the West Coast Basketball Association. He was Chairman of South Canterbury Tennis Association for three years. He has coached rugby and junior squash and has been a representative player at district and/or national levels across squash, tennis, rugby, rugby league, cricket, and athletics. Barry has also been the Squash World Champion for Over 50, Over 60, and Over 70. Phew! How he found time to take up Golf I'm not sure but glad he did – many congratulations Barry

Pro Shop - Casual Staff Member Required

Casual staffer **Callum Marshall** has a new permanent role so we have a vacancy in the pro shop on a part-time casual basis. Ideally, we are looking for a student who can work flexible hours but mainly as cover on a Sunday whilst Carl runs coaching programmes. Please contact Neville if you know of a suitable candidate.

New Twilight Comp in 2019

A reminder that we are doing a re-vamp on our 9-hole Twilight in 2019 with a change of night and a shotgun start. The first night is this Tuesday 22nd with a shotgun multi-tee at 5:30pm. On Jan 29th we are also will have a special Twilight event to promote the **World Amateur Golfers Championship** (WAGC) qualifying tournament we are hosting here on Sunday March 17th. All are welcome and please spread the word.

Programme Booklet 2019

The 2019 programme is at the printers so should be available for collection from the office or pro shop in a week or so. Please note we are very busy with corporate/charitable golf days during Feb & March so always check in with the pro shop when wanting to play casually, especially on a Friday. Some of these commitments are in the new programme but most aren't for timing and changes reasons.

What's coming up in 2019?

The first quarter of 2019 will see some significant technology projects delivered at Harewood. The first initiative will be the score card scanning system which many of you will be familiar with when playing at other clubs. This means a score card re-design along with a printer/scanner being installed alongside the pro shop kiosk. This should be in place by late January. A new website is underway and again, it is hoped this will be in place early in the new year. This will include an online tee booking option. The last project to be delivered will be new POS systems in the pro shop and bar areas. These new systems will allow us to avoid a lot of back-end duplication we currently deal with and also enable us to introduce during 2019 a member card/account system for use in the pro shop and bar.

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