



**National Association of Left Handed Golfers
of New Zealand (Inc)**

NEWSLETTER - JULY 2016

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>>> from THE PRESIDENT

Hi All

Well here in the Waikato the winter has finally caught up with us. The last 6 weeks have been wet. After a really extended summer we are really into the winter and with that the golf suffers. However, a few hearty souls are still attending tournaments around the country. We have been well looked after in the Waikato with Whitford in May, Te Aroha and Mt Maunganui in June. (See results later in the bulletin). In early August we are back to the venue of the Nationals, Ohope, and I am sure the weather will be kind to us



On a good note it is great to see some golf back on the TV and with a few Kiwi's in the fields it provides some interesting viewing. The Chiefs are also performing well and it is about time another championship comes back to the Waikato. The next couple of weeks will provide some great Rugby. With August also comes the Olympics at Rio. Despite the controversy it will still provide some great entertainment and a lot of Gold for NZ.

Welcome back to many of our travelling lefties two of whom did exceptionally well at the worlds Rodger Maxwell and Geoff Ingram.

Also keep an eye on two young lefties who have joined the Pro Ranks Tyler Hodge and Lachie Mc Donald. Congratulations and good luck to you both in pursuing your dreams.

Keep Golfing and catch you around the greens

*-Wayne Chesham
National President*

2017 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
27/30 MARCH 2017 - Chisholm Park Dunedin



>>> SECRETARY'S CORNER

Still a few subs to come through, and we would appreciate hearing from you.

Tournaments are held all around the country and your subscription will help these friendly gatherings to continue.

Please respond to the note if enclosed, receipts and 2016 labels will follow with the next Bulletin in September.

You may wish to pay direct and the account number is 02 0700 0359727 00, don't forget to put your name with the entry.

As postage is now \$1, many will receive this Bulletin by email. If you wish to receive a copy in the mail, please let me know.

The Bulletin and other news are always available on our website.

As previously advised we have been in Europe, and this Bulletin will be followed by another in September

**Membership enrolment forms can now be downloaded from our website
www.nalg.co.nz**

*- John Barber
National Secretary*

ANNUAL MEETINGS PRESIDENTS REPORT FOR 2016/17 WELCOME TO OUR 31ST NATIONAL TOURNAMENT.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the local organising committee and numerous sponsors that have made this event possible. There are many hours involved in organising a tournament of this magnitude so to Trevor, Margaret, Bill and all your volunteers (many of whom are Righties) a big thank you. I would also like to welcome our Life members that are present, Delegates, our Australian Visitors and the World Lefties President and Secretary Richard Davison and Nigel Messenger.

As I have mentioned before it is a shame that numbers are dwindling at some of our local regional tournaments.

We have made every effort to attract new members by advertising in golfing magazines, Creating and maintaining a website is maintained at Zero cost by Brian Cronin (thanks Brian) .I still feel that word of mouth and approaching other lefties you see playing at various courses around the country is still the most effective way of getting new members. Don't be shy talk to these strangers and let them know what the NALG is all about. Invite them to the next local Tournament, get a phone number or email address and let our secretary know. John loves these little challenges.



Another way we attract members is through our national tournament. A lot of one off members join each year to be part of this fabulous event. This is the main reason we try to take the nationals to a different region each year. It gives us a chance to encourage other lefties in the area that don't travel an opportunity to play and meet leftie golfers from around New Zealand and Australia.

On a different note we have only five women lefties here this year. To build this field up I would like to propose that we allow our travelling partners (righties) to play in this division. As many of these women play golf at a different venue while here why not participate alongside our leftie ladies. However, while they would not be eligible for any of the current leftie trophies we could have a separate stableford prize for the righties and double our numbers in the women's field. This would also allow for a better mix of the players over the four days. Some entertainment would still need to be arranged for non-playing partners. Your thoughts on this would be appreciated.

In closing I would once again say enjoy the golf, support the sponsors and have a safe and enjoyable week.

*-Wayne Chesham
National President*

CURRENT LIFE MEMBERS

Bruce Poole, Keith Dallas, Don Buchanan, Geoff Ingram, Bill Sangster, Alan Roebuck, Norm Behrent, Kerry Smith, Nigel Messenger, Phil Butler. John Barber

REPORT AND RESULTS NATIONALS OHOPE 4TH/7TH APRIL 2016

The weather was kind, although, we had a very colourful and noisy storm pass over us 3 hours after we finished on the first day. Otherwise the only thing we had to deal with was the vagaries of a very well presented course, although many of us talked about the course rating, as the course as some of us had always known, was somewhat more difficult than many others that we play, which have in most cases much higher rating.

The Ohope Lefties Trevor and Marg, and Bill did a great job, nothing was too much trouble, and together with local Club Manager Margaret and Brian Henderson and his team, everything went smoothly. Bill's food was sensational.

We will see you again in August.

There were some very worthy winners over the week, none-more so than Life member Geoff Ingram who once again prevailed in the Senior Gross Championship heading of his younger opponents.

Martyn Price again won the Open gross playing steady and consistent golf, and it was nice **to see Melissa Shea again to win the ladies gross.** *- John B.*

RESULTS

OPEN GROSS	Bruce Poole Trophy – Martyn Price (Pegasus) (299)
OPEN NET	Bob Charles Trophy – Mark Western (Walton) (273)
BEST NET (open)	
OVER LAST 2 ROUNDS	Lionel Kelly Trophy – Trevor Wesener (Nambour Aust.) (134)



SENIOR GROSS Rei Thompson Trophy - Geoff Ingram (Rangitikei) (320)
Runner up Greg Limond (Howick) (325)
SENIOR NET Barry Turner Trophy – Daniel Scotson (Rangitikei) (286)
Net Runner up Stan Matthews (Otumoetai) (289)

BEST NET (senior) OVER
LAST 2 ROUNDS Tom Armstrong Trophy - Alan Butler (Otumoetai) (137)

LADIES Gross Keith Plier Trophy – Melissa Shea (Ngaruawahia,) (329)
Overall net winner Bob Harrington Trophy – Jan Davies (Omanu) (302)
Net Runner up Audrey Messenger (Te Marua)
Overall stableford winner Askew Trophy- Harriet Byelich (Taumarunui) (111)

FLIGHTS

Open Net, Fairmonts

1st Stephen Leatherland. (286) 2nd Shane Chatterton. (286) 3rd Ken Shea (287) 4th. Allan Smith (291) 5th. Nuddy Pillay (296) 6th John Price (299)

Open Grade 2, Mondeos

1st Wallace Miller 276), 2nd Wayne Hughes (291 3rd Barry Mathews (295), 4th Dennis Mills (298).5th John Hills (298), 6th Wayne Evans (298)

Open grade 3, Rangers

1st Lawrie Fawcitt (282) 2nd. Tim Belcher (285) 3rd. Peter Robson (295) 4th. Bruce Mehrtens (297) 5th. Malcolm Fraser (299)

Open Grade 4, Explorers

1st Trevor Wesener (274), 2nd Richard Davison (291), 3rd Rod Mischewski (293) 4th. John Dalton 295) 5th. Graham Little (297)

FLIGHTS SENIOR 1

Zephers Net

1st Terry Lomas (292), 2nd Graeme Dick 292), 3rd Greg Limond (295), 4th Cecil York (296) 5th Phil Daly (299) 6th David Mccrea (304)

Cortinas Senior 2

1st Ray Horsfall (301) 2nd Keith Towers (301) 3rd Brian Peters (309 4th Graeme Wakelin (310 5th James Begovic (308) 6th Owen Young (313) (313)

Prefects Senior 3

1st Allan Butler 292) 2nd Bill Werry (293) 3rd Peter Molloy (298) 4th Tony Wey (301) 5th Barry Hughes (310)

Super seniors Life Members Silver Jug Winner Merv Cunningham (Thames) (152)

Runner Up 2nd. Allan Stewart (155)

TEAMS TROPHIES

SCHWEPES TEAMS EVENT (CLUB CHALLENGE) Rangitikei

Geoff Ingram, Wallace Miller, Noel Crocker, Daniel Scotson

KAKAPO TEAMS TROPHY (DISTRICT CHALLENGE)

Waikato/Bay of Plenty

Ken Shea, Stephen Leatherland, Melissa Shea, Mark Western

NZ V AUSTRALIA (Andrew Fenemor Cup) Australia



REPORT FROM JAPAN WORLDS 2016

A total of eighteen NZers which included partners, ventured to Japan for the 24th WALG Tournament with only two making it up onto the stage for prizes. Both Geoff Ingram and Roger Maxwell must have both found the courses to their liking and received Samurai swords for their effort.

The golf courses were magnificent and very well groomed and you had to keep your ball reasonably straight as some of holes had out of bounds on both sides. The courses were not as challenging as the ability to stay in your bed on the 32nd floor of the Sheraton Hotel during the earthquake. This freaked out a lot of people and around 40 couldn't get to the tournament from Taiwan as the airport was closed at Kumamoto, and that was the centre of the quake.

The buildings are made to accept large earthquakes but it is magnified the higher up you are.

In spite of that it was a lovely welcome night, and a final dinner that was nothing short of mind boggling provided you can adapt to all the raw fish plus other things that I could not explain. When the cubes of beef arrived at our table I've never seen Audrey's and Jude's chopsticks work so frantically.

Eight of us got together and travelled to Osaka after the golf, and then onto Hiroshima, Kyoto before ending up at Tokyo. Hiroshima was very moving and would have liked to spent more time there. Travelling on the Bullet Trains was also a fast moving experience and we can now understand how you can get 135 million people around a country roughly the size of NZ.

Having a night in a authentic Japanese Hotel had its laughs, sleeping on the floor, trying to get legs under the table while sitting on the floor, wearing kimonos etc. By the time we got to Tokyo we were shrined out but very knowledgeable on why and how they got there. The Japanese are very polite and helpful people and we had no bother finding our way around and recommend it to anyone wanting to go there. Thanks to Geoff and Rhonda for organizing the tour and I along with all others really enjoyed it.

-Richard Davison

OBITUARY

ALF BALDEY

I was very sorry to hear that Alfie Baldey had left us in July, his good friend Garnie Cowie rang and conveyed the sad news. Alf was in his 84th year, and had been a supporter of our Nationals and tournaments in the South for many years. He had been a great worker and stalwart of the Winton Club, and Garnie told me that the Funeral held at the Winton Golf Club was the first for a member to be held there.

Will be sadly missed, our deepest sympathy to Anita and family.



>>> AUSTRALIAN NATIONALS 2016

To be held at Royal Pines, Surfers Paradise from 9th to 14th October, all info and entry form can be obtained from their website fly94family@gmail.com

Entries closed 30th June, but there still may be an opportunity if you are quick.

>>> A WARM AND HEARTY WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBER

Angus Wright	Whakatane	Charlene Webb	Christchurch
Brian Keane	Ngatea	Neil Bunting	Christchurch (welcome back)
Ray Myers	Christchurch		

>>> TOURNAMENT RESULTS

WESTERN BOP LEFTIES GOLF TOURNAMENT : 26 June 2016

The week leading up to the event was one of very wet weather conditions including a forecast that suggested that the Tournament would be a wash out.

A final field boasting 28 hardy and optimistic morning golfers set forth in cloudy threatening conditions to win the Alan (ACE) Elliott trophy.

Players from Te Marua (Wellington), Urenui (New Plymouth), Whitford Park (Auckland) Rangitikei, Taupo, Hamilton, Ohope and the Tauranga area.

Great to have new players in the tournament, including Owen Young (Waitemata), Geoff Ingram (Rangitikei) and Mark Webb (Tauranga), Mark being with NZ Golf and this, the first Lefties tournament that he has played in.

The course was soft, the greens very good and WOW, the weather fine with a bit of wind, amazing. There were a few really good scores considering the conditions and the travel involved for some. The soft conditions proving difficult for the women and for the men the same plus a mix of the EU news or the rugby here and in Aussii.

Stan Mathews (Otumoetai) set the clubhouse lead with a very good stableford point score of 40 that also saw him win the coveted Alan (ACE) Elliott Trophy.

He was closely followed by Brian Peters (Omanu) with 38 and 3 behind on 37.

Nick Kersopp (Mt Maunganui) plying off a 5 handicap scored a gross of 76.

All in all, an enjoyable day in pleasant weather conditions.

Women:

Stableford	1	Carol	Mahon	Walton	31
	2	Jan	Davies	Omanu	30
	3	Audrey	Messenger	Te Marua	25
	4	Tui	Maxwell	Urenui	22

Men:

Division 1

Gross	1	Nick	Kersopp	Mt Maunganui	76
Stableford	1	Murray	Horsnell	Whitford Park	37
	2	Ron	Edwards	Taupo	34
	3	Mark	Western	Walton	33



4	Ken	Tynan	Omanu	32
5	Geoff	Ingram	Rangitikei	32
6	Ross	Nixon	Huapai	31
7	Tony	Stowers	Te Aroha	29

**Division 2.
Stableford**

1	Stan	Mathews	Otumoetai	40
	& Allan (ACE) Elliott Trophy			
2	Brian	Peters	Omanu	38
3	Wayne	Chesham	Ngaruawahia	37
4	Peter	Jackson	Walton	34
5	Trevor	Hayes	Ohope	34
6	Owen	Young	Waitemata	34
7	Lawrie	Fawcitt	Riverside	34
8	Mark	Webb	Tauranga	34
9	Ray	Horsfall	Mt Maunganui	33

CANTERBURY LEFTHANDERS - Weedons Country Club - 22 May 2016

After weeks of great golfing weather this week changed to cold southerly's and even though it didn't rain it deterred many from turning up. Despite the weather the scoring was good and a great day was had by all.

Best Stableford	Paddy Helmore	3
Best Gross	Simon Murphy	78
Best Nett	Gavin King	71
Stableford	Ross Herrett	36
	Shane Chatterton	36
	Rod Wolland	36
	Finlay Jones	36
	David Murphy	34
	Dave Morrison	34
	Longest Drive	Peter Molloy
Nearest to the Pins	No.3 - Rod Wolland	
	No.8 - Ross Herrett	
	No.12 - Ron Marshall	
	No.16. - Finlay Jones	
Two's	Ross Herrett, Gavin King	



AUCKLAND DISTRICT LEFTIES - Whitford Golf Club - 29 May 2016

Murray Horsnell reports a weather disaster and only 9 holes were played, as the weather report was average. It was good to see 25 in the field.

Over 9 holes: Gross Ken Shea 37, Ken Shea 39 and Stan Mathews had a net of 33

MANAWATU LEFT-HANDED TOURNAMENT - Rangitikei Golf Club, 21-22 May 2016

There were 40 players who braved the inclement weather for our annual tournament. Saturday it drizzled all day after we started but Sunday it was great but a couple of showers kept us in reality. The course was heavy but the comments on its condition were very encouraging. We thank Bill Burt who travelled from Ohope, Kerry Bond from Hamilton, those from New Plymouth, Napier and Wellington for their support on a badly forecasted weekend. We Thank Nigel Messenger for giving us a informative and light-hearted account of our recent trip to the worlds and our trip around Japan before our usual superb meal catered by K R' Catering.

In Japan we were not allowed to touch our luggage or golf clubs, they were attended for by young ladies in uniform and high heels and if they did something wrong they would cross their arms over there chest and bow and say sorry. I am disappointed that my Rhonda hasn't learnt a thing!

Thanks to our sponsors Scully's Lavender Gift Shop, Bridge Motel and Caravan Park, NALGNZ, Louise Scotson and the Rangitikei Lefties
-Geoff Ingram

Gross	Geoff Ingram 153.
Nett	1st Ron Harris 144, 2nd Richard Hodge 144, 3rd Bart Krynen 146, 4th Craig Monroe 151, 5th Phil Tennant 152 1st Denis Cutler 70, 2nd Dan Scotson 63, 3rd Nigel Messenger 63, 4th Tim Belcher 63. Audrey Messenger 159
Ladies	
Supporters Nett	Ian McLean 150
Stableford	Robina Aitken 61

Bridge Motor Lodge and Caravan Park special prize: Two nights' accommodation and a round of golf at Rangitikei Golf Club

Austin Wood

Louise Scotson special prizes

Nigel Burkin, Ian Delahaye, Tim Belcher

TE AROHA - 12 June 2016

Field of 20, including one lady. Weather was fine, but ground conditions heavy. The course won on the day.

Stableford competition and locals won on the day.

Tony Stowers 40, M. Keightly 39, Jason Dick 37, Ken Shea 36, Mark Western 35, birthday boy Murray Horsnell 32

Colin Harrison 33 (Right hander)

Only two was to M. Keightley

-Wayne Chesham

UPCOMING NATIONALS

27-30 MARCH 2017

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>>> LIGHTEN YOUR LOAD

Actual Australian Court case (read on)

A lady about eight months pregnant got on a bus. She noticed a man opposite her was smiling at her. She immediately moved to another seat. This time the smile turned into a grin, so she moved again. The man seemed more amused. When on the fourth move, the man burst out laughing. She complained to the driver and he had the man arrested.

The case came up in court. The judge asked the man (about 20 years old) what he had to say for himself. The man replied, "Well your honour, it was like this." "When the lady got on the bus, I couldn't help noticing her condition. She sat down under a sign that said *"The double mint twins are coming"* and I grinned, then she moved and sat under a sign that said *"Logan's Liniment will reduce the swelling"*, and I had to smile. Then she placed herself under a deodorant sign that said, *"William's big stick did the trick"*, I could hardly contain myself. But, Your Honour when she moved the fourth time, and sat under a sign that said *"Goodyear rubber could have prevented the accident"*I just lost it



CASE DISMISSED

>>> THE NINETEENTH

Well done Ron Vesty, hole in one at the 11th Napier Golf Club.

As Andrea and the Editor (John) are off to Europe on the 30th May, the next bulletin will be sent near the end of July, this will include all the happenings and results from the Nationals at Ohope.

Please, if you see a Leftie golfer or play with a Leftie, tell him/her with enthusiasm, about NALGNZ, if you want to see us continue our presence around the country, we must start building our membership for the future.

It's in your hands.

Congratulations Sir Bob Charles 80 on 14th March.

Note Ian Mackay is now on email and Kerry Smith listing has changed.

Kerry has sold his business and promises to be with us at Chisholm Park next year



>>> HORSE CORNER



Keith Towers has had a good win with Irish Whispers recently, and both Prioritise and Expedite have been close at times.

Our two have been named the Cape Blanco is D'Maggio and the O'Reilly is The Magnate, we also bought into another yearling O'Reilly at the last Karaka sales. We need patience as it is unlikely that any will race prior to next spring.

>>> LAST THOUGHT

2017 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - CHISHOLM MARK - MARCH 27-30TH.
Bring a friend to the next Tournament you attend.



>>> FUTURE TOURNAMENTS Mark Your Calendars

- August 6/7** Ohope Lefthanders mixed Tournament, Ohope Golf Club
Two Days and we need your support. Mens and Ladies Lefties and partners
Start 10.30 to 11am Saturday and 9am Sunday
Entry \$50. Gross, net and Stableford
Sponsored by Mill River Caterers and Hayes Logging
Entry to Ohope Golf Club, P.O Box 3037 Ohope,
Phone 07 312 4486, email Ohope@golf.co.nz
- August 21** **Martinborough Leftie/Righty Tournament Martinborough Golf Club**
8 30am, entry fee \$60 per couple shotgun start first 54
Paid entries will be accepted.
Affiliated players only, men and women juniors and mixed pairs.
Entries to Sue Berger, Martinborough
Golf Club P.O. Box 4, or Phone 06 306 9076
- Sep 3/4** **Taumarunui Left handers 64th Tournament, Taumarunui Golf Club**
36 Holes tee off Sat 11am and Sun am Ladies and supporters welcome
All past entrants will receive a flyer giving full details. Cost to be \$70. If you want to join us for the first time Phone Harriet
Taumarunui Golf Club P.O Box 181 Taumarunui 3946
Note Local Ladies attending to the evening meal.....again
- Sep 24** **Wellington Area Lefties (37th) at Te Marua** tee off from 11.30 am
Ladies and men, Gross, net and stableford Entry fee \$25 includes
Morning tea Saturday, and complimentary round Friday.
Good day, good company, good sponsors!
Entries close 10th. September Telephone 04 5267020 or with
The Secretary 675 Main Road North Te Marua, Upper Hutt
- Sept 25** **Hauraki Golf Club**
First day of Daylight saving. Tee off 10.00 to 11am.
Lefties and right handed partners, come to Hauraki and enjoy the
country atmosphere, the weather forecast is great, views tremendous,
Company outstanding, so get 4 together and rock on up
Entries to Ross and Shona Dalgety 07 8677141
rsdalgety@clear.net.nz or Robin Kent robindotkent@xtra.co.nz



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