



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LEFT HANDED GOLFERS NEW ZEALAND



## NEWSLETTER March 2019

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### From The President



Hi all and welcome to my final report as your president . I took over this role from Richard Davison back in 2014 at the Ashburton Nationals. At the time Richard remarked to me that his golf during his term as president had never been worse. I am not sure whether that was some type of curse or not as mine definitely deteriorated over the past five years. Of course it may just be AGE . During this period I have been helped and assisted by many people but I would like to make special mention and thank a few of the people that made my role easier.

John Barber (The Fuhrer and of course Andrea) whose passion for lefties was infectious. Thanks for all your help and guidance in the day to day running of the lefties . Ross Herrett ( I won't pass on the curse )and Barry Patton for their assistance at each of the Nationals checking boards and scoring to try and make sure the final night went smoothly. Nigel Messenger for the many words of wisdom and support behind the scenes. All our delegates and volunteers who keep all the tournaments running throughout the regions. Incoming Secretary Jack Boettcher whose has made some great changes modernising some of our systems. Brian Cronin for keeping the website going and last but not leas; The MAFIA thanks guys.

It has been a pleasure despite some hiccups at meetings (no swearing). The role has enabled me to meet many interesting and enthusiastic golfers at various tournaments around NZ and Australia. Thanks to all our members and the Aussies that frequent our tournaments. Remember keep chipping away at other lefties you see playing and try to get them to sign up as members. I still think that word of mouth is one of the best ways to promote our organisation .We as members know what an amazing fraternity NALG is so let's get the word out there. Looking forward to some improving golf.

Catch you round the greens - Wayne Chesham President

## Secretary's Corner

By the time you read this edition I will have undergone my stem cell transplant (28th Feb). Hopefully I be able to provide you with an update come the AGM in April if not before.

For those of you that have yet to make your subscription payment I urge you do it soon or advise by email or post if you are not intending to remain a member. We cannot guess your intent; we only see that you have not paid. If circumstances are such that you need to take a year off from golf but you still want to retain your membership long term then please let us know. In this is the case, then provide us with an email address and we will email the newsletter to you. Failing that you can still download/ read a copy from the website ([www.nalg.co.nz](http://www.nalg.co.nz)).

Below are the Financial Statements for the 2018. They show us in a good financial state. However, the worrying trend is our reducing membership. In my view this trend can only be fixed by you promoting the organisation to all lefties you meet and through investing in modern marketing and communication channels in order to reach the nearly ninety thousand register casual golfers (no club affiliation) that play golf on a regular basis. Increasing our numbers will take hard work by all of us but "re-invention" is a must or it will not only be the dinosaurs that are extinct.

During the year we also approved via a Special AGM held at Ngaruawahia Golf Club 4th November 2018 changed to Rules 19 & 20 of the Constitution. These changes allowed us to apply for and obtain a Tax Exemption Certificate from the IRD. With this certificate Kerry Smith successfully obtained a sizeable grant from the Lion Foundation for this year's Nationals.

For those attending the 2019 Nationals in Motueka and the Word Championships in Germany I wish you well and good golfing - JackB

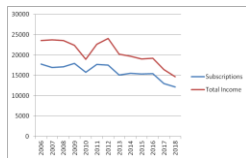


# 2018 Financial Statements

The Financial Reports for 2018 are presented below. These have reviewed by Neil Stevenson (a Dunedin member) in line with rule 6 of the Constitution. His review report is included below.

## Main Take Away's

**Subscriptions:** Subscriptions are 7% down on last year with defaults (non paying members - 22) contributing to 4% of that reduction. As can be seen from the graph shown opposite subscription income is trending down mainly due to a reduction in membership.



**Expenses:** Expenses were reduced by 33% due to the removal of Audit Fees (accounts reviewed instead) and the Secretary's not taking an honorarium (see note 4 for further details). Newsletter publishing and posting remains the highest expenditure item at an average of 30% of total expenses over a 10 year period. These are trending downwards as more people accept email as their preferred delivery method. Reduced membership also contributes to this downward trend though reducing the number of printed copies results in a reduction in economy of scale effectively pushing up the printing cost per copy. Approximately 330 copies are printed and mailed each quarter. Competition grants remain the 2nd largest expense at 17% of total expenses.



NALGNZ – Income & Expenditure to 31 Dec 2018

	2017	2018	Notes
<b>INCOME</b>			
Subscriptions	13,000	12,193	1
Interest Received	617	641	
National Tournament	1,900	1,713	
Refund Nationals	750	0	2
Donations	-	60	
Merchandise (Nett)	170	76	
Sundry Income	-	-	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>16,437</b>	<b>4,683</b>	
<b>Less: EXPENSES</b>			
Committee Expenses	1,350	1,000	
General Postage & Telephone	2,660	85	3
Newsletters			
- Postage		2,556	3
- Printing		2,118	3
General Printing & Stationery	2,770	491	3
Travel & Accommodation	-	449	
Honorarium	1,550	-	4
Insurance	455	-	
Audit Fees	2,588		5
Bank Fees		40	
Sundry/ General Expenses	541	705	
Regional Tournament Grant	2,125	1,875	
Flags, Tees and Markers	191	-	
Nationals Advance	750	750	
National Tournament Expenses	-	299	6
Marketing & Development	-	245	7
Advertising	894	441	
Computer Programme	799	-	
Computer Support Services	-	69	
Sub Total – Expenses	16,673	11,123	
Plus:			
Stock Write Off	120	49	
Depreciation	469	310	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>17,262</b>	<b>11,482</b>	
<b>EXCESS OF INCOME</b>			
<b>OVER EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>(825)</b>	<b>3,201</b>	

Balance Sheet to 31/12/2018

	2017	2018
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bank of NZ oo Account	4,516	7,428
Interest accrued	142	165
Stock Merchandise	120	50
	4,778	7,643



Investments/advances		
Bank of NZ Term deposit	18,000	18,000
Advance 2018 Nationals	750	-
Advance 2019 Nationals		750
Fixed assets		
As per schedule	8,365	8,055
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>31,893</b>	<b>4,448</b>
Less current Liabilities		
Subscriptions in advance	3,185	2,030
Creditors (Dec Newsletter)		509
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>28,708</b>	<b>31,909</b>
Represented by		
Balance 1/1/18	29,533	28,708
Excess Income over Expenditure (deficit)	(825)	3,201
	<b>28,708</b>	<b>31,909</b>

#### Notes to Accounts

- Subscription income down due to lower membership numbers. A number of members also failed to pay their subs.
- Refund from the Nationals at Taupo paid into wrong account; now rectified and will be included in next year's accounts.
- Newsletter costs were this year separated out from general postage and printing in order to gain a better understanding of newsletter costs. When seen side by side total newsletter were down slightly due to lower printing costs  

\$2,660	\$2,556 Postage
\$2,770	\$2,118 Printing
\$5,430	\$4,674 Total
- This year the Secretary / Treasurer choose not to take his Honorarium instead claiming travel and accommodation costs when attending various events. This may not be the case in the future.
- Accounts were reviewed this year as per the 2018 AGM approved change to Rule 6 of the Constitution.
- Cost of transporting the National Trophies from Taupo to Motueka.
- Marketing NALGNZ via Facebook as a way of getting our organisation in front of the next generation of members.

#### *Financial Reviewer's Report*

*"To the Members of the National Association of Left Handed Golfers of New Zealand Inc. I have reviewed the financial statements of the National Association of Left Handed Golfers of New Zealand Inc for the year ended 31 December 2018. A review is limited primarily to enquiries of club personnel and analytical review procedures applied to financial data and thus provides less assurance than an audit. I have not performed an audit and, accordingly, I do not express an audit opinion. Based on my review, nothing has come to my attention that causes me to believe that the accompanying financial statements do not give a true and fair view". N L Stevenson, Financial Reviewer*

# Minutes from the 2018 A.G.M.

MINUTES OF THE THIRTY FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
OF THE N.A.L.G. N.Z. INC. HELD at Taupo Golf Club  
AT 5.30 PM ON THE 8<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2017

**PRESENT:-** 135 members, and partners.

**APOLOGIES:-** Kerry Smith; AJ Smith; Noel Crocker.

Apologies accepted: Moved :Wayne Hughes; Seconded Kerry Bond

## PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of the previous AG.M. held at Chisholm Park Golf Club on the 26<sup>th</sup> March 2017 having been circulated in the March Bulletin were taken as read. No matters arising.

Approved and signed as a true and correct record; Moved: Nigel Messenger; Seconded Owen Young. Motion Carried.

A minute of silence was requested to remember and respect those of the Association that had passed away during the year. Noted at the meeting were Frank Pickering and Barry Turner.

## PRESIDENTS REPORT

President Wayne Chesham read and tabled his Annual Report which was received and approved by the members present.

Moved: Audrey Messenger; Seconded: Richard Davison Motion Carried.

## PATRON

Sir Bob Charles was proposed by Richard Davison; Seconded: Rob Dean. Motion Carried

## FINANCIAL REPORT

The audited Financial Statement and Balance Sheet of the Association for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017, having been circulated in the March Bulletin, was tabled and approved. Moved: Wayne Hughes; Seconded: Kerry Bond. Motion Carried.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Patron – Sir Bob Charles.

President: - Wayne Chesham.

Vice President: Ross Herrett.

Secretary/Treasurer: - Jack Boettcher.

### Councillors:

Nuddy Pillay and Murray Horsnall

Wayne Chesham

Roger Maxwell

Ian Mackay

Wayne Hughes

Bill Werry

Kerry Smith

Auckland/Northland

Waikato/Bay of Plenty

Taranaki

Manawatu/Wanganui

Hawkes Bay/Poverty Bay

Wellington/Wairarapa

Tasman

Moved: Richard Seconded: Barry Hughes. Carried

#### OTHER BUSINESS

Subscriptions: The meeting approved the holding of Annual Subscription at \$30 per annum.

Change to Constitution: The outgoing Secretary (John Barber) in his notes to the Annual Accounts commented on the increasing cost of the audit (\$2,588 for 2017). The current Rule 6 of the NALGNZ Constitution requires us to appoint an auditor. The motion set before the meeting is to Revoke rule 6 The Auditor and insert a new rule 6 as follows:

#### The Financial Reviewer

An independent Financial Reviewer shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting, whose duties shall be to examine and report on the Annual Accounts of the Society for submission to the Members.

Moved: Nigel Messenger; Seconded: Rob Long; Carried.

There was no other business.

The meeting closed at 18:12.

## 2019 Nationals Motueka

Hi all - The entries for the National Championships to date (10/02/19) are slowly coming through but we are only at half the field we would like to see. This is the lowest entry cost for the tournament we have had since the early two thousands. It had been put forward that the expense of the entry in past is the reason for the smaller number of entries in the recent times so we have worked hard to correct that. I am hopeful that the reason for the slow number of entries coming through is that people are still getting back into their routine after the Xmas break as I know of quite a few regulars to the Tournament who have yet to put their entry in. If you are intending to enter could you please do so as soon as possible as it would be helpful to us for forward planning purposes. As I have stated in earlier correspondence the Motueka Golf Course is a very good player friendly track. See you in Motueka 8th till 11th of April 2019.  
Kind Regards - Kerry

## Reports from around the Regions

In order to meeting a printing deadline a number of reports have left out of this issue. These will be contained in the June edition.

Hawkes Bay - Napier - Reporter: Wayne Hughes

It was a great weekend weather was hot everybody enjoyed the weekend of golf and catching up with each other. Numbers were down this year 39 in the field.

Results Men

LIONEL KELLY CUP - Overall best gross winner - Craig Rock 161

KEITH DALLAS CUP - Overall best nett winner - Stan Mathews 139

GROSS ONE DIVISION WINNER - Tene Goldsmith 163

NETT ONE DIVISION WINNER - Chris Fong 142

NETT ONE DIVISION RUNNERUP - Wayne Hughes 144

NETT DIVISION TWO WINNER - Rodney Mischewski 145

NETT DIVISION TWO RUNNERUP - Jossh Elton 148

MENS STABLEFORD		Points		
1	Brent Hanson	71		
2	Dave Downing	70		
3	Geoff Ingram	68		
4	Jack Boettcher	68		
5	Hilton Tabb	68		
6	Barry Hughe	68		

Results - Ladies

NETT WINNER Annette Purves 146


STABLEFORD

- 1st Pauline Cooper 60

- 2nd Audrey Messenger 51

Central Otago - Alexandra - Reporter: Wayne Pollock

Hi there; Alexandra turned it on again 34 deg very warm day and a great was had by all. Audrey Roberts won the Women's division.

MENS STABLEFORD		Score	
1	John Richardson (by Lot)	40	
2	Brian Gibson	40	
3	Lindsay Watt	38	
4	Ivan Roulston	36	
			John Richardson receiving 1st prize from Wayne Pollock



### Greymouth – Reporter: Kerry Smith

It was disappointing to have such a small field to take part in the Greymouth Left Handers Tournament. If any body can give us an idea or two to re-boost this tournament we would appreciate it. It has been suggested that we turn it into a Leftie Rightie event so members might be able to bring their Rightie mates over to the coast, and play a great course together. Unfortunately the Sunday was rained off, the first time I can remember this happening in thirty plus years of going to the tournament. I know what your saying but the truth is I have been sun burnt while playing more times at Greymouth by far than we have had rain to contend with.

Results; Gross; Jason Leary 74, Peter McGee 83, STF; Richard Davidson 43 (I think they should have asked him for a blood sample) Peter Molloy 42, John Hills 41, Gavin Grant 38, Roger Welsh, John Solly, Kerry Smith, all on 36 points.

See you in Motueka 8/4/19 for our Nationals.  
Cheers- Smithy

### Waimakariri Gorge Golf Club – Reporter: Roger Welsh

Under a blue sky with a wisp of cloud and a mild zephyr from the west saw a team of committed left-handers determined to take the course apart; well that can never happen, because the course will always win. I back this up with a comment Paul Adams (lefty) made (many) years ago, when he shot 60 at Arrowtown "I could have played better"! It was *Jeremy Goodman* (1.7) with a 75 gross who took home the Donaldson Trophy to make a hat trick of wins. *Simon Murphy* (3.1) (head-hunted for the event) had his mind on other things and shot 82. *Gavin Grant* amazed himself and many others by taking the Angus Trophy home to Greymouth after scoring 39 points.

Others who played better than or near to their handicap: Rodger Welsh 38, Allan Douglas 36, Duncan McKay 35, Richard Davison 35, Paddy Helmore 35, Neville Chatterton 34, Lloyd Bell 34 at al. Two's Lloyd Bell and Adam Hayward. Closest to the pin Paddy Helmore, Jane Helmore, Adam Hayward (2)

No person missed a prize and for this, we need to thank, Rangiora Mitre 10, Rangiora New World, NALGNZ, Richard Davison, and Weldon Studies. "Clapping and cheers accorded".

Thank you for those who travelled a great distance. Gavin Grant, Peter McGee & Kerry Smith Highlight of the day was Neville Chatterton who never made a 14 on any hole.  
Cheers Rodger.

## The Nineteenth


### Why We Drink Beer – the Buffalo Theory

A herd of buffalo can only move as fast as the slowest buffalo. And when the herd is hunted, it is the slowest and weakest ones at the back that are killed first This natural selection is good for the herd as a whole, because the general speed and health of the whole group keeps improving  
2019 National Championships –Motueka 8 to 11 April 2019

by the regular killing of the weakest members. In much the same way, the human brain can only operate as fast as the slowest brain cells. Excessive intake of alcohol, as we know, kills brain cells. But naturally, it attacks the slowest and weakest brain cells first. In this way, regular consumption of beer eliminates the weaker brain cells, making the brain a faster and more efficient machine. That's why you always feel smarter after a few beers.

## Up Coming Tournaments

Note: Dates may be subject to change. Please check with the Organiser.

<p>April 8 -11</p>	<p>National Championships at the Motueka Golf Club.</p>
 <p>April 27/28</p>	<p>Manawatu Lefthanded Tournament 36 Holes - Rangitikei Club - Raumai Rd Bulls</p> <p>Start: Tee off at 11.30 am. Saturday, Sunday 8.30am</p> <p>Cost: \$50 entry fee includes 2's, meal Saturday night. at 6.30 and social evening. Men Gross Net Stableford. Ladies and Supporters Nett Stableford Entry Men, ladies and supporters welcome.</p> <p>Entries to Geoff Ingram 18 Woodland Grove, Fielding home/fax 06 3231277 Email <a href="mailto:geoffrhonda@gmail.com">geoffrhonda@gmail.com</a>.</p> <p>Great accommodation at Bridge motor lodge: 1 Bridge Street Bulls</p>
<p>May 4- 5</p>	<p>Mangawhai Lefties</p> <p>Start Times: Noon Saturday and 9am Sunday Cost: Lefties and Partners \$65 for two rounds</p> <p>Gross prize for two divisions and Stableford Contact: <a href="mailto:John.barber@xtra.co.nz">John.barber@xtra.co.nz</a> or Don Mclean, <a href="mailto:Mcleanfamily@xtra">Mcleanfamily@xtra</a></p>
<p>June 10th</p>	<p>Te Aroha Lefties &amp; Rightie Partners</p> <p>Come and enjoy this lovely course giving wide views across Waikato for our fifth at this centrally located town Start: tee off 10 to 11am Cost: \$25</p> <p>Contact: Tony Stowers 0274 770853 or 07 8849656</p>



<p style="text-align: center;">June 23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Western Bay of Plenty Lefthanders and Partners Tournament</b></p> <p>Start: 8.30 to 9am am for 18 holes from 2 tees at Mt Maunganui Golf Club, includes the ACE trophy for best stableford in memory of the late Alan Elliott</p> <p>Cost \$30 essential to book early, limited to 80 players.          Entries by 16<sup>th</sup> June, paid entries only in the draw, cheques payable to Western BOP Lefties golf or credit a/c 020372 0000335 00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Contact          Ray Horsfall          5 May Street Mount Maunganui          Tel: 07 5750590</p> <p>Richard Jopson 07 5750456, Brian Peters 075724015 or          email <a href="mailto:Baytrain@xtra.co.nz">Baytrain@xtra.co.nz</a></p>
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**2019 Left handed Golf Championship Willingen Germany**

The next World Left handed Golf Championships will be held in Willingen Germany from 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>, May 2019. You can find all the details and registration forms at [www.nalg-germany.org](http://www.nalg-germany.org)

**NALGA NATIONALS 2019 - November 17th - 22nd**

To be held at the Royal Hobart Golf Club. The club is situated at Seven Mile Beach, just 15 minutes from the city. Accommodation arranged at Best Western Hotel Hobart ( preferred partner for accommodation, functions and entertainment (19th hole daily prize giving). The hotel is centrally located in the City of Hobart, a short stroll to the Capital's waterfront precinct which encompasses the famous Salamanca Place. For further details and an Entry Form go to

<http://www.lefthandedgolfaustralia.com/national-and-world-championships.html>



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