

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LEFT HANDED GOLFERS NEW ZEALAND

NEWSLETTER

June 2021

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From the President



Rossco Herrett

Hello Fellow Lefties

Hello Fellow Lefties.

I trust this message finds you all well in these unprecedented times. I must apologise for my non-attendance at the National Tournament week at Hauraki. I had a medical event where I ended up in hospital the week before and this prevented me from attending. It's the first Nationals I've missed for 20+ years and to say I was disappointed would be an understatement I was so looking forward to it.

From all reports I missed a great tournament, Hauraki not only got the weather right but Kenty and the team delivered a superb event which ticked all the boxes. So well done Hauraki -Thank You.

Waitikiri, my home club have started organising next year's National tournament with Mike Davies the Chairman of the organising committee. Mike organised the National Tournament when it was last held at Waitikiri in the mid 90's. We intend to incorporate some of the new ideas Hauraki introduced at this year's tournament. Let's hope COVID doesn't get in the way!!!!!

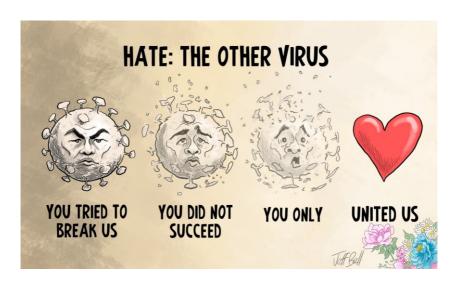
With the cooler season finally arriving golf will be limited over the winter months however there is still some lefties tournaments around the country-check them out in this newsletter. Don't forget to bring along a lefty friend and introduce them to the great lefty family.

Did you get to watch Mickelson's win in the US PGA? What an achievement he certainly deserves the mantle of the "World's Best Lefty" an honour which was Sir Bob's for many years. It was a compelling watch one which kept us on the edge of our seats as we willed him to a win. It just goes to show AGE is no barrier and golf is certainly a game for life.

I was saddened by the recent passing of Bruce Poole a founder and legend of our Lefties Association and our sincere condolences to the family. Bruce will not be forgotten RIP.

Take care of yourselves let's hope this vaccine will start to bring this world back to some sort of normality!!!

Take care and good golfing Rossco



Secretary's Corner

Rodger Welsh

Hello and welcome to the June update.

Much has happened since February with great tournaments, long-running fairways, fast greens, appealing weather and lovely company.

Best of all, the exhilarating experience of playing at Hauraki. Didn't the organising team do well? Great hospitality with many friendly conversations around the tables both inside and outside the clubhouse. Thank you, Hauraki.

As secretary, there are daily communications and updates requiring attention. Here I would ask for your help. A reminder when banking online please use only your name and account number. When filing, the invoice number is for my benefit and little else. I do have banking deposits arriving with no information or information that I cannot relate back to the membership database. Cheques are now out of vogue (almost), which means those without an internet facility would best use someone who has. Members are doing this and find it quite accessible. Your regional rep maybe able to assist with cash fees.

At Hauraki, there were several competitors unfinancial, which led to embarrassment and awkwardness when approaching these players to ensure they were financial. A timely reminder that entrants to Nationals be financial to the Association. This has been the situation since 1986 when it was moved, seconded, that all entrants must be financial members of a National Association of Left-Handed Golfers, so worded as to cover all NZ entries and overseas attendees.

There are steps being taken to enlist new members, these are the non-member players at our regional tournaments, all the regional representatives of the association have booklets with membership forms. Each booklet has 20 forms, the owner of the booklet will

receive a box of high-grade golf balls on completion. They have been very useful resulting in new members. Leading the way is Mark Grellet from Dunedin. Would you like a booklet? Let me Know.

For each tournament, a flyer or poster is presented and sent out to all the likely participating clubs in the area. The local golfing associations have been very helpful and our tournament posters are appearing on Facebook and/or their website. I require posters at least three weeks prior to the event. The next step is to have each club recipient email the poster to all their club members! Yeh!

Our Association is much more relaxed at tournaments, long gone are those days when those who were turned away or penalised for;

- not having a handicap card
- not signing a card
- back handing a put

Slow play is always bought to the attention of players. But it should be understood that all courses have their difficulties, that delays do occur. We are not all experienced golfers and we do our best to make up ground. Is it fair for a group to be penalised? Disqualification has to be the last resort. The starter perhaps, should keep an eye on the correct time interval between each group off the first tee. Perhaps reminding the green's keeper that a user-friendly approach is more acceptable than a PGA championship layout.

Happy golfing

"Anything I want to be. For instance, this hole right here is a par 47 - and yesterday I birdied the sucker."

Willie Nelson (he owns the course)

Roundup of Tournament Results



A smaller than usual field this year due to the forecast of a wet weekend and a lot of other golf on in the Tasman area. As it turned out it was a fine both days. Once again, a very well-presented course that beat up the golfers. Great to welcome Aaron Drummond back after a long OE and then work commitments. Thank to Mark Casey for coming down from Wellington for the weekend. He liked it so much in the Nationals a couple of years ago he thought he would give it another go. The course won. AGAIN!

Thanks once more to Craig Hamilton for chatting up our sponsors and doing a great job. Everyone got a prize and a few left over.

O/A Gross Aaron Drummond 165 O/A Nett Andrew Fenemor 147 O/A Stbl. Ray Hutchinson 69 Stablefords

1st Shane Wilkins 65
2nd Dan Crawford 63
3rd Rodger Welsh 63
4th David Thomas 61
5th Clive Drummond 61

6th Neville Chatterton 50 7th Rob Golding 60 8th Chris Keyse 59 9th Rob Dyce 59 10th Phil Kouka 59



The 2021 nationals were a resounding success thanks to the hard work of the committee and the fact that the Hauraki Golf Club members took this tournament on as a positive week for their club.

The weather for the week was outstanding and there was no need to have jackets or wet weather gear on for the full 5 days.

The club ran meals from breakfast through to evening dinner and the menus was amazing.

The tournament itself ran like clockwork, the course was presented in great order by the greens staff, a little rain prior to green up the fairways may have been ideal but one cannot make rain come at the desired times.

Congratulations to the winners and by the good reports coming in everyone was a winner that turned up.

The committee tried a couple of new ideas which, although did not have unanimous agreement, most felt ran smoothly and those that attended were happy with the week by the sound of all the good comments coming thru by text and email and the speeches on the Thursday night.

Our committee are very happy that the week ran well and wish to again thank all the contestants that turned up and made the week so memorable for the association and the Hauraki Golf Club.

Robin Kent.

Competition	<u>Trophy</u>	Recipients	<u>Score</u>
Mens Open Gross	Bruce Poole Salver	Martyn Price	296
Mens Open net	Bob Charles Trophy	Dennis Mills	291
Senior Gross	Rei Thompson Trophy	Ken Tynan	310
Senior Net	Barry Turner Trophy	Richard Baker	277
Open: Best net			
last two rounds	Lionel Kelly Trophy	Bill Burt	141
Senior: Best net			
last two rounds	Tom Armstrong Trophy	Richard Baker	137
Best on day net	John Barber Trophy	Barry Flooks	66
Super Senior net	No trophy	Barry Flooks	141
Women's Gross	Keith Plyer Trophy	Shona Dalgety	367
Women's Net	Rob Harrington Trophy	Janelle Lewis	306
Women's Stableford	Askew Trophy	Audrey Messenger	121
Team Event	Schweppes Trophy	Hauraki	
District Challenge	Kakapo Trophy	Waikato/BOP	
Aussie/NZ	Andrew Fenemor Trophy	not contested	



Flight results

Seniors

Flight 1: Richard Coleman/Greg Limond /David Williams

Flight 2: John Freed/Tom York/James Begovic/ Richard Davison/Michael Davies

Open:

Flight 1: Nuddy Pillay/Dave Enright/Richard Hodge

Flight 2: Neville Chatterton/Bill Burt/Tim Belcher/ Daniel Scotson/John Hills/ Bruce Mehrtens

Flight 3: Gordon Lewis/Robin Kent/Graeme Aitken/ A J Smith/Rodger Welsh/Rodney Miscewski

No ladies Flights

Flight Dignitary Names

Seniors: Open

Flight 1: Geoff Ingram Flight 1: Tom Kean
Flight 2: Don Buchanan Flight 2: Ross Dalgety

Flight 3: Nigel Messenger



The best ever monster Raffle.



Above are the team leaders, who organised such a wonderful and satisfying tournament. On behalf of the NALGNZ we thank you wholeheartedly. Please pass our gratitude to the Hauraki Management for allowing us to use the course and the preparations necessary especially from your pro shop, Course Superintendent kitchen and bar. With having to cope with the Covid associated cancellation last year It must have been no easy task to start organising for a second time. We salute you.



Congratulations to Audrey Messenger and then Ken Tynan who both holed out on different par threes. It is suspected that this was a first at any of our Nationals. Well done both of you.

John Barber Trophy

This year the NALGNZ organised a trophy as a tribute to John Barber. John had great knowledge-based skills like his experience and past accountancy training. His Transferable skills; the way he communicated, problem solving and planning skills. There were is his personal traits; formal, friendly, dependable and a team player. His favourite saying, "lovely to see you". John's partner, Andrea Gardner, spoke at the prize giving and presented the trophy to Barry Flooks, winner of the best one day nett.

"It is so special to be here at Hauraki prize giving, quite over whelming. This trophy is a wonderful tribute to John. Thank you, Rodger, Wayne, delegates and others, involved in organising this competition for the National Tournament in memory of John.

Lefties was a great passion of Johns. He really enjoyed being the Secretary of NALGNZ and was very dedicated to it.

I am sure John is looking down from the great golf course in the sky and smiling-happy to know you are having a great time here at Hauraki in the spirit of Lefties.

Lefties is a very special group-friendship, comradeship, family within the golfing fraternity...and even including those of us who are righties! I am deeply appreciative of all the support I have received and I know John would also be grateful. Thank you.

To win this trophy you only have to have one good round and that is what keeps bringing us back to golf! "

Andrea

Report on Auckland Lefty's Whitford Park Golf Club 2 May 2021



21 left-handed golfers and five right-handers played in this tournament on a windless, sunny Auckland day - one out of the box. The course was presented in outstanding condition and the greens were fast and true. This proved challenging to some players as the scores reflected. I would like to thank the following sponsors for their generosity: RJ's Pro Shop for two dozen PRO V1 golf balls; Wayne Chesham (Attic Homes); Dhana Gounder; Nuddy Pillay and Robin Kent for cash to make the price pool worthwhile for the winners.

Best Gross was won by Steve Leatherland with an accomplished 73. Dave Enright was runner up.

Best Nett was won by Greg Limond with a nett 69. Nuddy Pillay was runner up.

Best Stableford was won by Gordon Lewis with 34 points.

Murray Horsnell was runner up.

Other stable ford winners were:

3rd David Williams 32 points

4th George Rogan 32 points

5th Bill Burt 29 points

6th Stuart Marshall 29 points

Everyone who attended received a prize. A good day was had by all.

Manawatu Lefties 2021

Our Lefties at Rangitikei GC 8/9 May went off really well with approx., 35 players. Great course, great weather.

1st Brent Dalton 142 2nd Chris Shem 145

3rd Dennis Mills 145

4th Ian MacKay 150

5th Lawrie Fawcitt 153

6th Grant Dalton 154

Women: Audrey Messenger

Supporters: Walter Robinson

Gross: Nett

1st Jason Harris 157 2nd Geoff Ingram 161

3rd Ron Harris 168

Stableford

1st Wayne Hughes 72 2nd Bruce Mehrtens 68

3rd Bill Ward 67

4th Dan Scotson 66

5th Tim Belcher 64

6th Richard Hodge 61

7th Nigel Messenger 61

Closest to pin; 3rd Denis Mills, 16th Lawrie Fawcitt

Two's: Dennis Mills, Dave Enright, Nigel Messenger, Brent Dalton

Jason Harris x2

Geoff Ingram & Tim Belcher



Use your imagination like these M & M's, different way to personalise your treasure trove of golf balls

2021 - The 2021 World Championships scheduled to be held in Paris, France, has been postponed due to the Corona Virus Pandemic.

Below is a copy of the notice from the Tournament Organisers regarding the postponement.

Dear Lefthanded Golfers,

As you know, we had to postponed the 2020 edition of our World Championship for August 2021.

We took the decision to postponed again for another year. The actual situation in France and in the rest of the world, the limited possibility to travel and mainly the very low possibility of a real amelioration before next summer have made us take such a decision. We already are in contact in order to provide the same quality of courses and especially for the Albatross, Golf National. If you wish to get a refund, just let us know and send us your complete bank details, we will make a transfer on your account (with a 20€ treatment fee). For the other ones, we will automatically register your participation for August 2022. Registration for new participants will be online at the end of 2021 (depends on the Covid situation). We will keep you informed as soon as we can.

We also want to let you know that the National French Championship will be next 14th and 15th of May 2022 on the Granville golf course - "Baie du Mont Saint Michel". You will be able to register online in the next days on our website: www.afgg.fr I remain at your disposal for any further request.

Sincerely Dominique LACAN Pdt AFGG



Daily Prizes and Special Prizes)

Left handed Golfer - 72 Hole Stroke Event (includes Welcome Function, Presentation Dinner, Registration Pack, 72 Hole Prizes,

55th National Left-Handed Golf Championships

Tocumwal Golf & Bowls Club, NSW 14th November to 19th November 2021 Entry Form



Please use separate form for each playing entrant

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Entries close 30th September 2021. Late entries may be accepted subject to numbers



Bruce Poole

The New Zealand Lefthanders Association was founded in 1978 by Bruce Poole. Bruce actually started Lefty's golf in Winton, Southland, in 1963 which was the start of many



more regional tournaments all round NZ. He instigated and assisted with a very successful

Worlds Tournament held at Taupo 1983. The first National Tournament was staged at Manawatu in 1986 and the Nationals have been a highlight of the year ever since. Bruce organized one at his home club, Upper Hutt, in 1989. Bruce has been a keen follower of all the activities and antics of his fellow lefty mates. His funeral was held in Wanganui 25th May. It was his wish that his cask be draped in the NALGNZ flag and so it was. From all of us, our most heartfelt sorrow and condolences to the family.

Nigel Osborne. At Mt Herbert House, Waipukurau on June 29th 2020 aged 84



Years. A plumber by trade. Nigel was a down to earth sort of guy when things went wrong, he just got on with it. Joined the NALGNZ back in 1989. His priority was to use the Australian Champs and the Worlds as an opportunity to play, meet and have a damn good holiday. Nigel won his division at the 1994 Aussie Champs in Adelaide. By 2002, Nigel had played in 14 world events. Nigel's legacy to the NALGNZ is a bequeath of \$40000. What more can we say, thank you

Nigel, such a wonderful gift. To Nigel's family we give our condolences.

Barry Hughes

Passed away on the 7th of April a remembrance service was held for Barry on the Wednesday 21st. To Joyanne and family our condolences.

Saki Saunokono. Christchurch. Member at Weedons. Passed away recently great friend to many, always had a smile and so enjoyed golf and the lefties. So sorry to know Saki is gone.





2021 WESTERN BOP "LEFTIES" GOLF TOURNAMENT 2 Days of Golf



Sponsors: Golf 360 & "Eves Real Estate"

Day 1 FAIRVIEW (Katikati) GOLF COURSE

SATURDAY 3rd July 2021. Tees 9.40am. to 10.20am
Restricted to 32 Tee Times only available
Day 2 MOUNT MAUNGANUI GOLF COURSE
(Winner of 2019 New Zealand Golf Club of the Year)
SUNDAY 4th July 2021. Tees 8.00 - 9.00 am.

ENTRY FEE\$35 PER COURSE per DAY.

Cheques payable to Western BOP Lefties Golf
Direct Credit to 020 372 0000335 00
18 HOLES Gross & Stableford. Each Day.

ACE" Trophy - (The Late Alan Elliott) **Best Leftie Stableford - Sunday**Right-handed golfer friends and partners welcome.

REGISTER EARLY - LIMITED to 32 TEE TIMES at Fairview.
ENTRIES CLOSE 26th June 2021.

PAID ENTRIES ONLY WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE DRAW
ENTRIES TO: RAY HORSFALL, 5 MAY STREET

MOUNT MAUNGANUI.
Phone 07 575 0590. Email:
baytrain@kinect.co.nz

OHOPE BEACH GOLF LINKS



2021 LEFTIES TOURNAMENT AT OHOPE

Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th August

11am start on Saturday
9am start on Sunday

Entry Fee: \$60 includes 2's

Lefties Trophy - Best Nett Prizes for Best Gross/Stableford/Nett

Ladies Division

CONTACT THE OFFICE FOR MORE INFO OR TO ENTER

call 07 312 4486 or email: ohope@golf.co.nz

NATIONAL LEFT HANDERS TOURNAMENT 2022





NALG National Tournament March 21-24th March 2022

Waitikiri Golf Club is thrilled to be hosting the National Left Handers Tournament in March 2022.

Waitikiri Golf Club is one of the premier courses in the South Island of New Zealand. It is situated in the east of Christchurch, 10 KM from the city centre and easily accessible from the airport and main roads.

Waitikiri is a parkland course of great character and challenge offering the most enjoyable walk in golf to players of all abilities. The layout of our high-quality course is based on an England golf course design, with a wooded parkland setting including a colourful collection of established trees. A characteristic of our course are lush green fairways, lined by a combination of native and exotic trees and shrubs. Our greens combine subtle undulations with strategically placed bunkers. There are several doglegs provided a visual treat and golfing challenges. Before the round you can buy from our well stocked Pro-Shop, while both before and after your round you can enjoy out stunning Clubhouse with its quality range of food and refreshments.

A full description of each hole can be found on our website www.waitikirigolf.co.nz.

Any inquires or questions on our course can be directed to Rod Templeton, General Manager (03-383-1270/manager@waitikirigolf.co.nz) or for information on the tournament contact Ross Herrett (027 228 4573/rossandcarolherrett@gmail.com)

It is Noted;

Hauraki Lefties

Last Sunday in September. Poster pending

Te Aroha Lefties

Tony informs that he is waiting for Hauraki to make a date to which he will follow with his tournament. Poster pending

Don Buchanan donated \$100 to the association when visiting Hauraki. So good to see him and looking well. Don, Thank you

Neville Lucas

Arrived at the Reefton Lefties just came up for the day to see the boys. Great to have had you along Neville.

Canterbury Lefthanders Championship Waitikiri Golf Club (venue for the 2022 Nationals) Sunday 31st October 10am Multi tee start Men's and Ladies Gross, Nett and Stableford Separate competition for RH partners and visitors \$30 per player includes 2's, closest to the pin.

Ashburton looks likely from Bruce Day; If it suits, Sunday 10 October is a date we could hold a Lefties tournament here if it suited.

Life is a waste of time.

Time is a waste of life.

Get wasted all the time and you'll have the time of your life

Billy Connolly (Who never played golf)

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