

New Members!

Brian Hutchinson, Andy Wilson, Alex Tusa, Joshua Harlick, Logan Thomas- Flip, Brian Anderson, David Shon, Seften Tusa, Trent Gallagher, Hamish McLachlan.



Please be aware of tree works before teeing off check office or boards to see where works are being done and if there are hole closures.

Handicapping changes are now happening next month we will send out separate information and have some available in the shop.

Upcoming Events

March

- 18th Last Twilight. Tree being Felled
- 21st Ladies Comp changes -no homelinks in march
- Shootout out starts and 72 hole stroke play
- 25th Club house booking 8.30-5pm
- 29th Tuakau cossie 8-11am – all carts booked

April

- 10th Good Friday M/T in the club house from 4
- 11th – 12th Easter Weekend Maori Tournament
- 13th Closed from 1pm for coring.
- 25th Anzac Day – Proshop Scramble NO Carts available till 12 noon. Shop open from 12pm.
- 27th Public holiday Anzac day observed.

Due to the Covid 19

We ask that if you are unwell you not attend golf or come into the shop or club house. We will have Sanitiser in the club house and shop for use by all, we will disinfect things like banisters and doors during the day. Please wash your hands before eating and drinking. On the back of this news letter we will attach more information you may have possibly seen but it is relvent. At the moment we are Open and tournaments havent been cancelled as yet, so please be aware of others if unwell don't come out. Some people cannot afford to get ill or are immunosupressent/ compromised immunsystems. Coughing and sneezing into your own elbows and hands then washing helps

President's Comments

Hello Members

This week we are undertaking tree removal work all over the course. These are trees that the Tree Committee have looked at for 12 months and in consultation with the ground staff, have decided they need removing.

Our criteria was – Trees that were shading greens and fairways and limiting drying in the winter (mainly between 4th and 5th)

Trees that were dropping too much debris and damaging mowers (right of the 1st)

Trees that roots were drying out nearby greens (poplars on the 18th, interfering with the 17th green)

Trees that were shading trees (right of the 5th and left of the 8th)

Trees that were dying or at the end of their life span, not many but some (macrocarpa by the 9th Green)

The tree Committee has strived to have as little change as possible to the playability of the course, but in some areas it will be unavoidable. We have engaged Peter Lobb from Onewhero to do this work and Des from Pukekawa to assist in firewood removal at the same time. To offset the cost of this we have allowed the Redwoods (Mainly by the 15th Fairway) to be removed and sold.

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<https://www.golf.co.nz/NewsMedia/Article.aspx?id=4192>
a link to Auckland golfs blog.

Advice from the ministry of health on the back or this newsletter

COVID-19 - Advice for public events and mass gatherings

On 16 March 2020, the Government advised public events or mass gatherings where 500 or more people are together in one place, at one time should be cancelled. Examples include concerts, festivals and sports matches.

This page was last updated 16 March 2020. **Why we are cancelling mass gatherings**

New Zealand's priority is slowing the spread of COVID-19. Mass gatherings such as concerts, sporting events and the like pose a high risk for transmission of infectious diseases.

Helping people avoid close contact with others as much as possible, like you would with the seasonal flu, is an effective measure to prevent the spread of COVID-19. These measures are intended to help protect you, your family and all of New Zealand from COVID-19.

Criteria for cancelling events

To slow the spread of COVID-19, gatherings of 500 people or more in close proximity will be cancelled. This includes festivals, fairs, sporting, religious and cultural events. This will be regularly reviewed.

The intent of the measures is to avoid non-essential gatherings which may facilitate the spread of COVID-19.

You should still attend school or work. The Ministry of Education will work with schools and universities to try to mitigate large congregations of people.

Refunds

In the first instance, please contact the event organiser. These measures were announced on the afternoon of Monday 16 March and it's likely event organisers will need some time to determine their process and obligations for any refunds, payment to suppliers etc. Please be patient as they work through the process to meet any obligations they may have.

Attending public events The following people should not attend events of any size:

- anyone who is unwell
- anyone who is self-isolating. [Read more about self-isolation.](#)

How to minimise the risk of getting sick at an event of any size

The most important thing to do is practice good hygiene. This means:

- covering coughs and sneezes with disposable tissues or coughing/sneezing into your elbow
- disposing of used tissues appropriately in a bin
- washing hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water and drying them thoroughly, or using hand sanitiser:
 - before eating or handling food
 - after using the toilet
 - after coughing, sneezing, blowing your nose or wiping children's noses
 - after touching public surfaces
- trying to keep 2 metres away from people who are unwell
- limiting alcohol and drug use (as this may affect your ability to adequately follow the advice above).

The measures above are especially important for people who have existing health conditions, such as those with diabetes, renal failure, chronic lung disease or compromised immune systems.