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THE NEWSLETTER
of the
OTAGO GOLF CLUB (INC)
3rd February 2012

This Saturday's Competition is:

Men - W G Wight Memorial - Single Stableford
Women - Opening Day – Single Stableford

Monday 6th February - Course Closed – Masters Games

Tuesday 7th February
Women - Stableford

Wednesday 8th February - Course Closed – Masters Games

Thursday 9th February
Veterans - Single Par

New Zealand Masters Games:

A warm welcome is extended to all visitors, guests, players and members participating in the 23rd New Zealand Masters Games – the eleventh in Dunedin.

Enjoy your golf, the Balmacewen course, fellowship and hospitality we have on offer – we look forward to seeing you again.

Congratulations and notable achievements:

To Laura Hoskin who has been selected by NZ Golf to represent NZ in the Australasia Junior Women's under 19 years Amateur Championships – to be played in Victoria, Australia.

Also to Ian Fraser who missed 'shooting-his-age' by one shot on Wednesday afternoon. Ian had a 32+37=69.

17th Hole Development:

Progress is on track with this project. All the 'old' turf from the existing 17th green has been transferred to the new green and present focus is establishing the greenside surrounds and the area immediately in front of the new green. Craig and his team are doing a great job with this. For players who not played or visited the course this year – the 'old' 17th is out of play and sequence of play is: -

- After completing hole 16 walk to the 'old' 18th tee – play the 'old' 18th – and to complete 18 holes play the Par 3 Crossways (from just in front of the No 1 tee box – note that on or over the road is 'out-of-bounds.')

Weekly Results:

Otago Stroke Play Championships:

Champion	280 gross	Brent McEwan	-	R/U	289	Tyler McLean
Senior B	303	Kyle Geary	-	R/U	308	Dan Elder
Intermediate	322	Conor Jamison	-	R/U	337	Cobra Ross
Masters	154	Chris Idour	-	R/U	158	F Whitaker

Tuesday Women's Golf Margaret Irwin Stableford – Opening Day

Silver Division

1 st	44 points	Anne McKenzie
2 nd	40	Sue Macassey
3 rd	39	Ann Eure

Bronze Division

1 st	44	Sandy MacDonald
2 nd	38 ocb	Rachel Broughton
3 rd	38	Sandra Cameron

Wednesday Twilight – Single Stableford:

1 st	27 points	Ian Fraser
2 nd	24	Peter Dagg
3 rd	22	James Aitken, Errol Duckworth & John Cutler
4 th	21	Robin Charteris, Wayne Gillett & Ben Matheson

Thursday – Veteran's – American Stableford

1 st	47 points	Colin McBeath & Duncan Harvie
2 nd	44	John McDermott & Pat Taita
3 rd	42	James Aitken & Warren Paterson
4 th	41 ocb	Iain Hamilton & Ken Dempster

Captain's Jackpot:

The Captain's Jackpot is drawn every Saturday evening at 5.45pm. To qualify for the draw members need to be in the Clubhouse. This Saturday, the draw will be \$70.

Sincere Condolences to:

The Lucas family on the passing of David Lucas. Dave was a very popular employee on our greens staff for many years, before moving to Island Park GC and then to Twelve Oaks GC about 6 years ago. Dave kept in touch with many of our members and will be sadly missed.

Veteran's Golf:

The Veteran Men's Festival Cup will be held on Wednesday 15th February 2012 at Chisholm Park Golf Club – Best Stableford over 18 holes – two grades.

Players must be over 60 years and entries limited to 120 players – entry form posted in the Men's locker room.

NZ PGA Pro-Am Championship:

Professional Golf returns to the Hills.

The inaugural NZ PGA Pro-Am is to be played at The Hills course from March 29 to April 1st. Professionals will play for the NZ PGA Championship over 4 rounds, but in a unique event format, 64 invited amateurs and celebrities will be paired with one of the 64 professionals that make the cut, playing together as a team for the NZ PGA Pro-Am Championship over the final 2 days.

Best Wishes to:

To Murray Edgar who is travelling to Christchurch next week to play in the 2012 NZ Senior Championships. Travel well and enjoy Murray

Christchurch Interclub:

The annual Interclub between Christchurch and Otago will be held at Shirley on the weekend of 11th & 12th February. This very longstanding event was first played in 1893 and has considerable tradition and history.

Reciprocal Golf Arrangements:

Balmacewen and St Clair Golf Clubs have a reciprocal arrangement whereby members can play on the other course during a provincial tournament.

On the weekend of 18 & 19th February St Clair members will be playing in the Balmacewen field while the Dunedin Stroke Play is held on their course.

Defibrillator:

The Club's 'Defibrillator' is located in the Pro Shop, and ready if needed.

While Shelley, Judy, Jane & Evan have all received training on its use, we also have a training CD and this is available for any member to view. We are definitely in the position of the more people that know about it the better.

Once again we acknowledge the late Ken Sparrow, Dunedin Host Lions, our Veterans section and the Croud's family, for making this acquisition possible. Thank you.

Otago Golf Tournament:

On Friday 2nd March 2012, Balmacewen will be holding our sponsored inaugural 'G J Gardner Homes' Open Golf Tournament.

This is the event that replaces the 'Legends Senior Pro Am tournament' held for the past two years at Balmacewen.

The format is a 'Four Ball Best Ball Stableford' – shotgun start at 11.00am. More than \$5,000 in prizes, Near Pins, Longest drives etc.

Women, Men & Mixed teams with a limitation on entries. Register early.

Otago Provincial Amateur Stroke Play Championships:

The 72 hole championships were played on Balmacewen on Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th January for the 67th consecutive year. The trophy was presented by Mr. J W Smeaton in 1946 when he was Club Captain. **Congratulations** to our new champion – Brent McEwan with rounds of 66 72 68 74 = 280 – these scores were achieved in hot, windy and dry conditions – excellent golf.

Course Bookings:

Please note your golfing calendars for the following events we will be hosting:

6 th February	N Z Masters Games
8 th February	N Z Masters Games
10 th February	Deloittes Tournament
2 nd March	OGC Sponsored Tournament
5 th March	Green Renovation commences

From the Pro Shop:

G J Gardner Homes Business House Golf

This very popular Thursday evening competition commenced on 2nd February – see Shelley or Judy in the Pro Shop for further details.

Good golfing

Shelley & Judy

'Lotto' weekly Fund Raiser:

Michelle McConnell has assumed responsibility of running this very popular competition which has proved an excellent project fund raiser for the Club.

Michelle is looking for 2 more members interested in participating during 2012. If any member is interested contact Michelle (phone 467 2390).

Playing Calendar for the following weeks:

Date	Competition	Format	Others
Mon 6 th	Masters Games	Course Closed	Waitangi Day
Tues 7 th	Women's Golf	Single Stableford	
Wed 8 th	Master Games	Course Closed	
Thur 9 th	Veteran's Golf	Single Par	
Sat 11 th February	Single Stableford Women's Golf	Stableford	
Tues 14 th	Women's Golf	Stableford	
Thurs 16 th	Veteran's Golf	Stableford	
Sat 18 th	Medal Women's golf	2 nd round of series 1 st round C/C qualifying	Blue Tees
Tues 21 st	Women's Golf	1 st round C/C qualifying	
Thur 23 rd	Veterans Golf	Bisque Par	
Sat 25 th February	4 BBB Stableford Women's Golf	4 BBB Stableford	
Tues 28 th	Women's Golf	2 nd round C/C Qualifying	
Thurs 1 st	Veterans golf	Stableford	
Fri 2 nd	OGC Sponsored Tournament		
Sat 3 rd March	Single Stableford Women's Golf	2 nd round C/C Qualifying	

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Details of events in Otago, Southland and North Otago, plus around the country.

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