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## Hot scoring at Canterbury 4BBB Championship

The Riccarton Park Golf Complex Canterbury 4BBB Championship was played at Templeton Golf Club in fine winter conditions. Whilst a bit heavy under foot, the course was in great condition which was reflected in the scoring.

The men's championship was won by the Harewood pairing of Matt McLean and Robert Gregory with 65. They beat Nic Kay & Nick Franzmann from Coringa by a shot, and the Russley pairing of Reid Hilton & Connell Kilpatrick who also had 66.



As expected Catherine Bell and Hillary O'Connor were far too good for the women's field. They shot 65 which was seven shots ahead of Olive Tapu and June Edwards.

We thank our sponsors Riccarton Park Golf Complex and Frucor, and the Templeton Golf Club for being fantastic hosts.

## Ashby Berg Trophy and McGuire Hendon Cup

The Ashby Bergh Trophy and McGuire Hendon Cup matches were played in great spirit at the Amberley Golf Club after the recent snowfall requiring a transfer of venue from Waimakariri Gorge.

The Ashby Bergh Trophy match was played between Weedons Red (Patterson Cup winner) and Kaiapoi Blue (Templeton Cup winner) with the result going to the wire down the 18th hole before Weedons Red secured the win. The Weedons team are pictured from left, Mark Taylor, Max Yorke, Daryl Campbell, Peter Wood, Glenn Hames, Mike Prendergast, David Butts, Terry Sullivan, and Dave Stubbs.



The McGuire Hendon Cup between the Patterson Cup runner-up, Burnham and the Templeton Cup runner-up Kaiapoi Gold also was a hard fought contest with three matches going to the penultimate hole and another two playing the final hole. The Burnham team triumphed and are pictured from left Wayne Carling, Dave Kirton, Les Edwards, Wayne Gruebner, Thomas Pooley, James Turipa, Craig Lawson and Clayton Hogg.

## Hung and Kobori take out Eagles U17 Titles

The Canterbury Eagles ran their Under 17 event at the Waimairi Beach Golf Club with plenty of new faces playing in the 18 hole event. Competition is tightly contested with the leading girl and top two boys earning spots to play in the National Championship which will be played at the Hawkes Bay Golf Club during the October holidays.

Juliana Hung (Russley) produced the best score of the day with a round of 72, followed by Amy Weng and Jasmine Clancy (also Russley).

The boys competition was won Kazuma Kobori (Rangiora) with a sub par round of 71. Christchurch's Josh Roche finished in second with Hayato Miya and Kansuke Shin (both Russley) tied for third.

Congratulations to all the players that participated and our thanks go to the Eagles for running this important event for our young junior players.

## Canterbury Juniors Enjoy Winter Event

Heavy conditions didn't stop players from producing some great scores at the Canterbury Junior tournament held at Waitikiri Golf Club.

Hiroki Miya (Russley) won the best gross shooting 69 with runner up Kazuma Kobori (Rangiora) finishing two back on 71, the grade one boys net was won by Hayato Miya (Russley) with 70 and Josh Roche (Christchurch) finishing second on a countback with 73.



The best net in grade two was won by Leo McConchie (Kaiapoi) with 67 with Cooper Moore (Russley) finishing second with a net 72. Ashburton junior Joshua Ackerley took advantage of the opportunity to play in the event winning the stableford with 35 points from Nathan Hall (Weedons) on 34 points.

Deanna Matthews (Weedons) had a steady round winning the girls net with 75 while Jasmine Clancy won the stableford with 35 points.

## She Loves Golf - Growing Female Participation



She Loves Golf is back for 2018. This year's campaign will focus on providing a pathway to increase more female golfers to not only try golf but become engaged in multiple activities driven by clubs with the support of Canterbury Golf and NZ Golf.

Female membership numbers in the Canterbury region have been steadily decreasing with a 20.4% drop since 2011. She Loves Golf is an opportunity for golf clubs to address this trend.

Canterbury Golf will run a launch event in September which in past years has attracted over 100 women. This event will kick off the She Loves Golf campaign providing an opportunity for clubs to follow on with engaging taster events and introductory coaching programmes.

The aim is to provide opportunities for women to try golf in a social environment. We will be supporting golf clubs to build on the successes of the 2017 campaign by developing a clearer pathway into golf for She Loves Golf participants. More information will be going out to clubs shortly.

## Interclub Gets Underway

Both Pollock Cup and Woodward Cup are set to get underway after the first round postponement due to course closures. Round one of Pollock Cup sees defending Champions Russley, who have dominated Pollock Cup over the past four years, locking horns with 2016 runners-up Christchurch. Clearwater will be looking to improve on last years placing starting with an opening match against Waitikiri. An experienced Harewood side will take on new comers Pegasus that have entered the competition for the first time. With six teams now in the competition (increasing from five in 2015 & 2016) there will be some great match ups between the players in the build up to the representative season and with teams relatively evenly matched the title for 2017 is wide open.

Woodward Cup will get underway at Harewood this Sunday after the postponement of Round 1 last week with newly promoted Pegasus meeting home team Harewood who will be keen to improve on their mid table finish last year after a great start. Last year's Champions Christchurch will be wanting a strong start and they meet Waitikiri possibly the surprise package of the 2017 competition. Last year's runner-up Clearwater will be looking to go one better this year and they play Bottle Lake. Last year's semi-finalists Templeton, with something to prove after narrowly missing out on the final last year meet Coringa and the final match of the round sees Avondale up against a strong Russley side who have dominated Woodward Cup in recent years.

This year's Woodward Cup promises to be another intriguing event and keenly anticipated match ups with youth and experience across all teams will be watched with interest over the next couple of months, culminating on Finals Day at Waimairi Beach on 1 October.

Weedons and Russley currently lead the round robin in Blank Cup with the perfect start with two wins while Harewood and Christchurch lead the Simon Cup leaderboard.

To keep up to date the individual match results for each round can be found on the Canterbury Golf website under the Pollock Cup, Woodward Cup, Blank Cup and Simon Cup navigational tabs.

## Briefs

### Canterbury Connection at US Women's Open

Korean Professional Seon Woo Bae has come along since winning the 2012 Canterbury Strokeplay as an amateur (pictured right). Now the world No. 52, she recently competed in the US Women's Open finishing tied for 19th.

In 2012 she was in Christchurch as part of the Pacific Golf Academy and blitzed the field at the Harewood Golf Club. Soon after she turned professional and has been competing on the Korean LPGA Tour. She has also returned to Christchurch several times to play in the NZ Women's Open where she has had a couple of top ten finishes.



### Richards Trophy & Cresswell Cup

The Richards Trophy and Cresswell Cup were played at Ellesmere Golf Club with the course in great condition considering the cool winter conditions.

Waimairi Beach (Metro A winner) and Kaiapoi Blue (Templeton Cup winner) contested the Richards Trophy. The Kaiapoi team defeated Waimairi Beach 5.5-2.5 games. The Kaiapoi team are pictured from left, Brian East, Dion Ratahi, Steve Cassidy, Graham Moore, Rodney Downes, Marc Palmer and Chris East.



The Cresswell Cup match between Harewood (Metro B winner) and Weedons Red (Patterson Cup winner) could not be separated at the end of regulation holes. Weedons Red won the sudden death play-off on the first hole to secure the Cup. The Weedons Red team are pictured from left, Dave Stubbs, Terry Sullivan, Chris Hay, Glenn Hames, Chris Zanchetta, Dave Butts, Mike Methven and Damien Peters.

