

## Top Field for Lamb & Hayward Canterbury Stroke Play

Rangiora's Kazuma Kobori doubled up at the 2019 Lamb & Hayward Canterbury Strokeplay played at Pegasus Golf Club when he won the men's title to go with his recent Southland Strokeplay victory.

Kazuma really won the championship on Saturday giving himself a five shot lead with rounds of 67 and 68. The afternoon round in a stiff nor-wester was particularly impressive as most of his rivals struggled. All he needed was a 73 on Sunday in the 54 hole event to cruise home with a three shot victory. His closest rivals were Nic Kay and Reid Hilton. Kay will rue his second round 81 after he had shot a course record 64 (off the blue tees) in the morning. He closed with the best third round score of 66 but it was not enough to round up Kobori. Reid Hilton was solid with rounds of 68, 73, and 70. Tied for fourth were Hayato Miya, Josh Smith and David Kelly.

In the end it was Kazuma's consistent ball striking and error-free golf that won the day. He has carried on the form from representing Canterbury at the NZ Interprovincial, and as he adds more power to his game, will be an even greater force to be reckoned with as he moves through to more national honours. He also won the Ron Clements Memorial Cup for best U19 male.

The women's championship turned into a two horse race between Juliana Hung and Roun Lee. They were tied after 36 holes and had a close battle throughout the final round. The pivotal hole was probably their 9th hole when Juliana made an uncharacteristic mistake off the tee on the par 5 18th and ended with a bogey while Lee made birdie. The two shot swing provided momentum for Lee and she would eventually finish two shots ahead of Hung with Rion Ishikawa finishing in third place.

In the Men's Masters, Anton Fouchee overcame a three shot deficit after 36 holes to shot the best third round score and win by two



strokes. Aaron Forsyth led the championship going into the final round but couldn't finish off, leaking shots over the last nine holes to eventually finish third. Veteran Marty Holman put up a fine showing finishing second to Fouchee.

Waitikiri greenkeeper Naomi Wallace was a runaway winner of the Women's Masters Championship by 12 shots from Suzette Eastmond and Kate Turner who tied second. Her first round of 72 was the springboard for the win.

Players enjoyed fine sunny conditions on a well manicured Pegasus course, with a stiff nor-wester and easterly breeze keeping them honest. Thanks must go to the club, its members, staff and volunteers for assisting with the tournament. Also to our long-time sponsor - Stephen Parkyn and the team at Lamb & Hayward.

## Futures Canterbury Selwyn Hub - Membership Now Open



Providing fun golf events and learning opportunities for young people and families



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We are excited to let you know we have launched the Futures Canterbury Selwyn Hub and membership is now available. The hub brings together a collective of seven golf clubs in and around the Selwyn region, supported by Canterbury Golf, to provide fun golf events and learning opportunities for young people and families.

The participating clubs in the hub are Charteris Bay, Ellesmere, Greendale, Hororata, Lincoln, McLeans Island and Tai Tapu Golf Clubs.

### Hub Benefits

- When you join you get active membership to play at the seven listed golf clubs
- You will have an official NZ Golf ID number
- An introductory branded apparel pack
- Subsidised coaching and events
- The opportunity to play junior interclub for a nominated club within the hub.

### Hub Membership for Parents or Guardians

To encourage family participation we also offer a parents/guardian membership to play at the seven local hub clubs when playing with their child. This membership does not include an official NZ Golf handicap.

### Membership

Both the junior and parent/guardian Selwyn Hub memberships are available for \$120 each for a 12-month period.

Membership is now available, online at [www.futurescanterbury.co.nz](http://www.futurescanterbury.co.nz)

This is an exciting initiative for golf in the Selwyn area and we are looking forward to working with the members and participating clubs to promote and deliver a successful program to grow the game in Canterbury.

For further information please contact us at [play@futurescanterbury.co.nz](mailto:play@futurescanterbury.co.nz).

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# 18 Course in One Day

McLeans Island member Peter Davidson and a group of friends hatched a plan to play 18 holes on 18 different golf courses in one day in the Canterbury region.

The plan came to fruition on Monday 29 January when six of them set out to conquer the challenge. The format was to play in a sequence where the first hole played would be No 1 on that course, and at the second course visited they would play No 2, until finally they would be playing No 18 at the eighteenth course of the day. The overall round would—as much as possible—reflect the normal mix of par 3's, 4's and 5's thereby giving them as close as possible an overall par and stroke hole round of a normal course.

At 7am they teed off at Rangiora on a stunning Canterbury day. At 6.30pm they finished at Tai Tapu having covered over 200 kilometres, and walking 20 kilometres. They played a stableford round with the best in the group having 43 points!

The feeling - In the words of Sir Edmund Hillary and re-released by one of the group on the eighteenth green, "Awesome day....We knocked the bastard off".

Here is the group having a mid round beer at Avondale courtesy of Club Manager Richard Sinclair.

Thanks go to all the clubs and their personnel who allowed the group to use their courses free of charge, and who in the spirit of the event were encouraging and supportive of the novel concept. Also to the Canterbury Province – where else in New Zealand could you play 18 courses in such close proximity!



From left, Richard Sinclair, Matt Egan, Mike Scott, Gary Lay, Dennis Lay, Peter Davidson, Michael Sharp.

## Volunteers play a key role for Canterbury Golf

Robin Bosson has been volunteering at major Canterbury Golf tournaments, most recently the Canterbury Strokeplay at Pegasus. He is a member at Culverden Golf Club and recently moved from Culverden to Waikuku Beach. We asked why he gives up his time to help out at our tournaments.

"I chose to volunteer as it is a small way that I can give back to a sport that gives me so much enjoyment. I'm sure nobody needs to be told that the survival of any amateur sport requires some people to put their hand up and help organise or assist with anything to make the sport or club viable. After getting involved with the Culverden Golf Club I took up the roll of joint Club

Captain. From going to meetings and things, the repetitive topic was that North Canterbury Golf and Canterbury Golf in general also required a level of volunteers to assist with many things".

"I get great pleasure in helping with tournaments, meeting other likeminded volunteers and representing the Culverden Golf Club and getting our club's name out there. We may be a small club but I like to think that at the least we are doing our small bit for the big picture".

Thank you to Robin and all those that volunteer for Canterbury Golf.



## News in Brief

### Kobori Wins House of Travel Tour

Kazuma Kobori consistently performed well at each of the events that form the House of Travel Tour. He won the Southland Stroke Play at the beginning of the month at the Invercargill Golf Club and then continued this form to win the Canterbury Stroke Play the following weekend at the Pegasus Golf Club. To add to this he also won the North Island U19 Championship played during the week between these two event in Hamilton.

Holding a convincing lead heading into the Otago Stroke Play Kazuma went on to defend the Tour title winning by 19 shots, while Hayato Miya took out the U19 title with both players winning travel funds to assist with their tournament expenses provided as a joint initiative by the three districts and through the sponsorship from House of Travel.

Two Canterbury players also took out the titles at the Otago Stroke Play with Maddie May winning the Women's title and Matt McLean winning the Men's title.

### Canterbury Golf Life Member Peter Mott Passes Away

Canterbury Golf Past President and Life Member Peter Mott passed away on 3 January.

Peter was President of Canterbury Golf from 2001-2002 and also Canterbury Golf Men's Convener of Selectors.

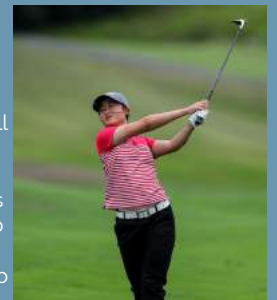
His involvement with Canterbury Golf was officially acknowledged when he was inducted as a Canterbury Golf Life Member in 2012.

Our thoughts are with Leone and all the family.



### Juliana Hung Named in NZ Queen Sirikit Cup Team

Juliana Hung will be joined by Auckland's Carmen Lim and Vivian Lu who will take on some of the world's best at the prestigious Queen Sirikit Cup 6-8 March at Glenelg Golf Club in Adelaide.



Both Hung and Lim have recently returned from an amazing experience in Florida during the Lydia Ko Scholarship. To spend the week training, playing and getting to know the former world number one will be invaluable for the pair.

Thirteen other national teams from Australia, Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia, India, Myanmar, Hong Kong, Chinese-Taipei, China, Philippines, Japan, Korea and Thailand will compete for this prestigious trophy as the Kiwis look to engrave their name on it for the fourth time.

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