

Canterbury Golf Awards

With the 2020 Canterbury Golf Annual Awards Dinner being cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions, an alternative had to be found to make the annual awards. The Canterbury Golf Award presentations are available to view on the Canterbury Golf Facebook and Instagram pages.

The Service Awards will be presented at the Canterbury Golf AGM on 9 September.



Maddie May, Ritchie Bath (Golf Warehouse), Kazuma Kobori

The Women's and Men's Canterbury Golfer of the Year awards were made via special presentations at Golf Warehouse, sponsor of these awards.

Maddie May was named the Canterbury Women's Golfer of the Year with highlights including representing Canterbury at number one at the NZ Women's Interprovincial, finishing third at the NZ U19 Championships and winning the 2019 Canterbury Match Play, Canterbury Age Group Championships, Southland Stroke Play and first equal at the Otago Stroke Play.

Kazuma Kobori was named the Canterbury Men's Golfer of the Year after finishing runner up at the NZ Stroke Play, tied for fourth at the Riversdale Cup in Australia, represented Canterbury at the NZ Men's Interprovincial and winning the Canterbury Young Sportsman of the Year Award.

The trophies for the lowest scoring average in Canterbury over the season were also awarded. Maddie May won the Liz Douglas trophy with a scoring average of 72.5 and Kazuma Kobori won the Vardon Trophy with a scoring average of 71.33.

Amy Weng won the Canterbury Junior Girls Golfer of the Year. Amy represented Canterbury at the Women's Interprovincial winning five of her matches at number two, she won the NZ U17 Eagles event and finished runner up in the 2019 Canterbury Match Play.



Zach May, Jordon Latter (Riccarton Park Golf Complex), Amy Weng

Zach May was named the Canterbury Junior Boys Golfer of the Year. Zach's highlights included finishing runner up at the North Island U19 Championship, winning the Canterbury Age Group Championships and captaining the Canterbury U19 Team at the Boys Interprovincial.

The Canterbury Junior Awards were generously sponsored by the Riccarton Park Golf Complex.

The Administrator and Volunteer of the Year Awards were presented by sponsor Marty Fuller at his licensed premises The Elmwood Trading Company. Neville Bamford (Harewood) received the Administrator of the Year Award for a very successful year for the club that saw a positive financial result for the first time in many years,

an increase in sponsorship and grants, a marked increase in membership and casual play, modernisation of the club's digital systems, dealing with a major fire to the green-keeping equipment, and contributing nationally as a Board Member of the Golf Managers Association of New Zealand.



Neville Bamford, Marty Fuller (The Elmwood Trading Company), Denis Kelliher

Russley's Denis Kelliher won the Volunteer of the Year Award for the impact he made on the club primarily in his role as Chairman over the past year. He implemented a staff restructure that saw the re-introduction of the General Manager position, and in the interim he was acting GM that included overseeing the best annual financial result for the club in 20 years. Other projects he oversaw were a capital replacement programme, mini golf project, membership option restructure, and establishment of a Course Committee. He also found time to play and manage interclub and help out with course mowing. All this played a major part in the club being named a finalist for the New Zealand Golf Club of the Year.

The Eagles have also announced the winners of their awards. Congratulations to Yoyo Fu and Yuki Miya who have been named the Eagles Girls & Boys Golfers of the Year.

Friends of Canterbury Golf

Canterbury Golf will soon be launching a new fundraising initiative called "Friends of Canterbury Golf". The idea is to create a community of like-minded people who wish to support Canterbury Golf by making a small annual contribution - a \$150 donation which can be tax deductible. Members will receive a bag tag, cap, access to two annual tournaments, and offers from "Friends of Canterbury Golf" members and Canterbury Golf sponsors.

The launch will be through the "Hellers Friends of Canterbury Golf Tournament" to be held at Harewood Golf Club on Friday 30 October. Players are encouraged to register as a team to compete in the Team Stableford event. The \$160 team entry includes a round of golf, BBQ beforehand, nibbles a complimentary drink after golf, and a chance to win some great prizes.

Friends of Canterbury Golf Ambassador Sir Bob Charles will be playing in

the event as part of a six person celebrity line-up. Six teams can buy into a lucky draw to play with one of the celebrities.

Further details will be released mid September.



Town v Country

The annual Town v Country fixture provided a great test of golf between the teams with 52 players competing. Blustery conditions made it a tough test for the players at the Russley Golf Club.

The Foursomes in the morning provided some great comradery with matches going down to the wire. The Country team led the seniors 3.5-2.5, while the Town team led the masters 2.5-1.5 and the juniors 2-1.

The Singles provided some great matchups which provided the Canterbury Selectors with plenty of great golf to watch.

The Town team proved too strong in the afternoon to take out all three trophies.

Final Results

Seniors - Town 11, Country 7

Masters - Town 7.5, Country 4.5

Juniors - Town 7, Country 2

Thank you to the Russley Golf Club for providing the course and to Anthony Alberts and Hank Holt who were available throughout the day as referees.



Canterbury Golf Annual Report 2019/2020

Canterbury Golf's 2019/2020 Annual Report has been published in time for the Canterbury Golf AGM on 9 September.

The report has many highlights including growth in participation and membership, representative results, the launch of the North-East Hub and individual achievements.

A copy of our Annual Report is available on the Canterbury Golf website or if you wish to have an electronic copy sent please email rachel@canterbury.co.nz



News in Brief

Rangiora Win Cresswell Cup

The Cresswell Cup match was played at Pegasus Golf Club between Bottle Lake (Winner of Metro A) and Rangiora Red (Winner of Templeton Cup).

The Rangiora Red team won the Cresswell Cup defeating Bottle Lake 5.5-2.5 games.

The team are pictured from left Ross Campbell, Grant Hoben, Dave Millar, Stretch Renai, Kevin Jones, Nigel Seaton, Cliff Bishop and Murray Goodwin.



Bottle Lake Win Toby Richards Trophy

The Toby Richards Trophy between Bottle Lake (Winner of Metro B) and Weedons Black (Winner of Patterson Cup) was closely fought.

Bottle Lake triumphed over Weedons 6-2 games to win.

The Bottle Lake Team are pictured from left Kevin Grant, Jeff Goodman, Gordon Waugh, John Brand, Stuart Neill, Stephen Hill, Gary Newton, Mark Silcock and Stephen Fergusson.



Autex Muriwai Open Attracts Professionals & Amateurs

A number of Canterbury players recently made the trip to play the Autex Muriwai Open which is part of the Charles Tour. The popular event was over subscribed with the appetite to play events at its highest.

The field included top professional and amateur players from around New Zealand. Momoka Kobori finished in a tie for 6th place overall (2nd amateur). Matt McLean and Kazuma Kobori also finished with a top 10 result.



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