

Friends of Canterbury Golf Launch Event

The Friends of Canterbury Golf Launch Tournament, held at Harewood Golf Club, attracted a wide cross section of members, club representatives, and businesses from the golf community to support this new fund raising initiative from Canterbury Golf. Hellers Brand Manager Brydon Heller was on hand to welcome players and support the tournament with some of their famous sausages.

The team stableford produced top scoring with Waimak Gorge's John Allan having his first hole-in-one on the 15th hole at the ripe old age of 69. Canterbury and NZ Rep Kazuma Kobori also shot an impressive nine under par 63 to help his team into the prizes.

The NZI/Templeton Golf Club team of Peter Fridd, DJ Glen, Wayne Huddy, and Colin Berkett topped the scoring with an impressive 131 points. Second was the E-Mega Store team of Greg Shepherd, Mike Worley, Martin Stockley-Smith, and Andy Beck on 127. Then the BDO team of Kazuma Kobori, Warwick Neutze, Chris Bird, and James O'Gorman on 126. They were third on a countback from the B & D Doors team of Mark Rippin, Nick Saunders, Blair Norton, and Douglas Strang.

Immediate Past President Steve Kilpatrick led the launch of Friends of Canterbury Golf. "The funding initiative was formed based on a conversation between Todd Heller and Kevin Hughes" said Steve

Kilpatrick. "The concept of many people making a small contribution would enable Canterbury Golf to continue to deliver engaging experiences and opportunities for young people and their families, helping to grow and develop golf in Canterbury".

Friends of Canterbury Golf Ambassadors Sir Bob Charles and Stephen Parkyn spoke about their support for the development of golf in Canterbury. A special presentation was made to Sir Bob, Stephen, and Marion Heller (in the absence of Todd) of the first bag tags #1, #2, and #3 and caps that all members will receive as a joining pack. They are pictured with Canterbury Golf President Mike Rondel.



Sir Bob Charles, Marion Heller, Mike Rondel, Stephen Parkyn.

A huge thanks to Hellers for sponsoring the tournament, and to Harewood Golf Club for hosting. Thank you also to The Elmwood Trading Company, and Saunders Robinson Brown for sponsoring prizes. Friends of Canterbury Golf membership is now open and available on our website www.canterburygolf.co.nz.



LAUNCH EVENT

As a member you will receive many benefits and become closely connected with the Canterbury Golf Community. The benefits include a numbered Friends of Canterbury Golf bag tag, branded cap, invitation to an annual golf tournament, special offers from Canterbury Golf sponsors and an electronic version of our monthly newsletter.

We are asking for a donation of \$150 per year to support golf in Canterbury which can be tax deductible with Canterbury Golf's Registered Charity status providing you a one-third tax credit.

Women's and Men's South Island Interprovincial

The Flexi Lease Canterbury Women's Team produced a strong performance at the Ashburton Golf Club to win the South Island Interprovincial.

The Canterbury Women's Team won all three matches against Otago 6-2, Aorangi 7-1 and Tasman 7-1.



From left Kara Campbell (Manager), Maddie May, Amy Weng, Yoyo Fu, Jasmine Clancy, Mel Newburn, Hillary O'Connor, Amelia Garvey, Catherine Bell, Steve Campbell (Assistant Manager).

The Canterbury Men's Team finished third with strong competition at the Men's South Island Interprovincial played at



From left Mike Taylor (Manager), Andrew Green, Tom Parker, Mike Toeke, Reid Hilton, Hiroki Miya, Richard Reed, Hayato Miya, Zach May

St Clair Golf Club. Canterbury got off to a solid start beating Aorangi and Tasman, both 6-2. Canterbury then had a tight tussle with host team Otago finishing with a draw. Southland won the title after beating Canterbury 5.5-2.5 games.

Both teams are now looking ahead to preparations for the NZ Interprovincial for the men being played at Whitford Park Golf Club 24-28 November and the women at Akarana Golf Club 1-5 December.

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Canterbury Players Well Represented at NZ Amateur

Three Canterbury Players topped the leaderboard to win the qualifying medals at the NZ Amateur along with Wellington Golf rep Kerry Mountcastle.

Momoka Kobori continued to show why she is one of the leading female players finishing as the top qualifier on six under par for 36 holes. "I haven't qualified as the top seed before so it's nice to come back over here after being away and to be able to do that," she said.

Dominic Brett Kelly backed-up his opening round of seven-under 65 with a three-under 69 to take the number one seed at 10-under par heading into the matchplay. Kazuma Kobori also finished as co-medalist after shooting rounds of 68 and 66 continuing his form from the recent Charles Tour events.

The first round of matchplay at the 118th

New Zealand Amateur Championship offered some enthralling battles for the first leg of the knockout stages of the tournament.

Momoka Kobori progressed through the rounds beating NZ Rep Darae Chung 5/4 and Eunseo Choi in the second round 4/3. It went down to the wire in the semi final against Fiona Xu (eventual winner) who beat Kobori 1up.

Top seed Brett Kelly advanced to round two after beating Jesper Bengtsson 1up. He then went on to face Jimmy Zheng who progressed after beating Brett Kelly 2up. Kazuma Kobori was knocked out by young up and comer Joshua Bai 4/2.

Zach May, who qualified in 13th position, turned on the heat with eight birdies to beat Sam Vincent 1up. He went on to also win his round two match against



Momoka Kobori and Zach May

Tyler Wood 3/1 to set up a quarter final match James Hydes. May won the last three holes to force a play-off with Hydes winning on the 19th hole. Matt McLean snuck into the top 32 and progressed to round 2 after beating Jerry Ren 4/3. He then faced Charlie Smail (runner-up) who won the match 3/2.

Futures Festival of Golf Attracts Young People and Families

The Futures Festival of Golf was a big hit with the kids and families. The event held at Rangiora Golf Club attracted families from around North Canterbury and Christchurch.

There were loads of activities for the kids to enjoy which included a 6 hole putting circuit, hole in one challenge, an inflatable driving range and games. Kids, parents and grandparents all enjoyed the festival of golf event.

"Futures Canterbury is all about offering affordable opportunities for young people and families to enjoy time playing golf" said Rachel Thow Canterbury Golf Development Manager.

"Running free taster events are a great way to attract new participants and raise the profile of golf in the region".



News in Brief

Junior Foursomes

Some great competition in the Junior Foursomes saw nine teams compete in the 18 hole section and 6 teams in the 9 hole section.

The 18 Hole competition was won by Russley Gold on 288 points from Russley Blue on 259 and third on 253 points was Selwyn Hub.

The 9 Hole competition was won by Selwyn Hub Blue (pictured) on 141 points from Weedons Red on 133 with Weedons Black third on 123 points.



Canterbury Golf Executive

It is with pleasure that we announce the co-option of Debbie Scott (Harewood) and Dion Kerr (Clearwater) onto the Canterbury Golf Executive Committee .

Both Debbie and Dion bring a wealth of experience to the roles and we look forward to having them involved.

The Canterbury Golf Community is served by an Executive with a broad range of expertise and skills that will continue to work hard for the betterment of golf in Canterbury.



Millennium Trophy

The annual Millennium Trophy Match between Canterbury and Aorangi Women was played at Tinwald Golf Club.

Aorangi again proved too strong for Canterbury winning the match 719 - 660 points. Aorangi averaged 35.95 stableford points per player compared with Canterbury's 33.

There were some great individual scores in both teams ... next year will be Canterbury's year!



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