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## Club Newsletter 14th March 2025

### Café

We have a new Café and Catering manager Kylie Williamson who started yesterday, we are excited to welcome her to the team, please make her feel welcome when you see her behind the counter or out

on the course. We will have Kylie and Lucas who is coming back for the day to man the Wendy House on Saturday

### **Course Closed for NBS Open**

Course Closed for NBS Open this weekend, with our tier one event happening this weekend the boys are doing a lot of prep for the course on both Saturday and Sunday so the course will be closed in the morning before the NBS tees off on Saturday and Sunday the Course will open again after 3:30pm on Sunday

### **Office**

Just a quick update around the PPC30 and the NoR, more detail to follow after the next Board meeting, the club took a lot of legal advice and weighed up its options before making the decision to appeal the PPC30 on Monday, this will be a public document soon so will share this with the next update, I believe that the Tahunanui Residents and the Tahunanui Camp Ground also appealed the PPC30 so there is a bit of pressure building on the council and the Airport from these appeals. The NoR was formally notified on Monday and we are currently working on this appeal as the deadline for this is the 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2025.

### **Lost Property**

As we have had a lot of lost property over the last three months we will be donating anything that is not claimed in the next week so come and check that none of it is yours before we donate to a charity

## **She Loves Golf Tasman**

Tasman are ran a She Loves Golf 6 holes competition for new golfers at 5:30 last night with 22 players taking part great to see new people out enjoying the course, they all said they enjoyed the course which was great to hear.

## **Health and Safety updates needed from members**

We are updating our health and safety protocols, and one of the key updates required is the collection of current emergency contact information. While we have gathered some data, we are missing this crucial information for individuals who joined the club three years ago or earlier. It is essential to have up-to-date emergency contact details to ensure we can promptly reach your designated person in the event of an accident on the course, thereby ensuring your safety and providing peace of mind for them. Please email [office@nelsongolf.co.nz](mailto:office@nelsongolf.co.nz) with your membership number, your emergency contact person's name and phone number, and your relationship to this person. These details will only be used in an emergency.

## **Volunteers Tournament**

We held the Volunteers Tournament on Sunday with around 30 participants in the 9-hole event.

Representatives from the Men's Committee, Vets, Nine Hole Team, Board, Roses Team, Thursday Boys, and the Women's Committee joined us. These volunteers are vital to our club's success, and we

extend our heartfelt thanks for their outstanding service.

There were some amazing scores, and I think for the second year in a row David McDiarmid had the best score with 23 points followed closely by his wife Paula who had 21 points, so it was no surprise that the Vets team won the day (see photo below)

<b>Results</b>	<b>Average</b>
Vets	19.25
9 Holer's	19
Women's Committee	18.2
Board	17.66
Thursday	16.75
Men's Committee	15.5
Roses	14.33

### **Charity Events**

Nelson Golf Club has hosted a couple charity events over the last couple of weeks. Big Brothers and Big Sisters event was a huge success for the charity raising around \$5,000 more than last year just under \$30K and the Fifeshire Foundation raised just over \$30,000 so close to \$60,000 going to local charities that make a huge difference in our region



## Plea for Participation in the NBS Open

Dear Club Members,

With the NBS Open happening this weekend, we find ourselves in urgent need of more players. As part of our Tier 1 event, we are sending this heartfelt plea for you to get involved and join us in one of the marquee events of the year. This tournament promises to be a lot of fun with an amazing prize table up for grabs.

We would love to see more of our ladies participating in this pairs event. If you do not have a partner, don't worry—we will help you find one. It's an excellent opportunity to enjoy some friendly competition and camaraderie.

The event spans two days, with the first day featuring a Four-Ball Better Ball (4BBB) format. On the second day, the competition shifts to a two-person Ambrose. Both formats are designed to be enjoyable and engaging.

We strongly encourage you to consider playing in this event. Your participation will make a significant

difference and contribute to the overall success of the NBS Open.

Looking forward to seeing you on the greens!



## NBS NELSON OPEN

Nelson Golf Club Tier one event for 2025)

**SATURDAY 15<sup>th</sup> and SUNDAY 16<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024**

**“Pairs Competition.”**

**Saturday: 4BBB (in pairs) 11:30am shotgun start.**

Prizes awarded for top teams on Saturday after first round.  
(Must be in the clubhouse to receive)

**Sunday: 2 ball Ambrose 10:00am shotgun start.**

**OPEN TO MEN’S AND LADIES AFFILIATED GOLFERS**

**ENTER NOW BY EITHER**

- Online at DotGolf (bookings now open for Saturday. Sunday draw will be done on the Saturday evening and will be seeded)
- PHONE – 03 548 5028

Entry Fee only! **\$80** per person Includes 2’s, and platter for 4 after golf on the Saturday, great prize table!

**GREAT PRIZES SO DON’T BE DISAPPOINTED BY MISSING OUT AND ENTER NOW!!!**



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LEARN TO PLAY  
PROGRAMME  
\$50 FOR 2 X 2 HOUR SESSIONS**

**Nelson Golf Club is offering a great way to introduce yourself to golf in a relaxed and friendly environment. Come along join our two week learn to play programme.**

- Clubs and equipment provided
- Sunday 27th of April and 4th of May 2025
- 1pm till 3pm
- Meet in the Ladies locker room by 12:45pm
- Session followed by complimentary refreshments in the club cafe
- Nelson Golf Club - 38 Bolt Rd, Nelson.

**Please contact Tonya Cowlshaw to enrol:  
tonya.cowlshaw@gmail.com or 021 029 9253**



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Pictured below is another one of our 50 year members Perry Hoby, great work Perry great to see you still out there playing!



## Pace of play REMINDER

### **Pace of Play: How Can We Improve the Course Experience for Everyone?**

I have consulted with Golf NZ and spoken with several international golf courses regarding pace of play and strategies for ensuring players use the appropriate tee blocks. At Nelson, we have four different tee blocks:

- **Black Tees:** Also referred to as "the tips" in American terminology, are used for select men's competitions throughout the year. The average course length for these tees is approximately 6,145 meters, making it a challenging option.
- **Blue Tees:** Commonly used for men's competitions, the blue tees measure around



5,856 meters on average, representing one of the longest courses in our district.

- **Red Tees:** Primarily used by women for their competitions; however, this tee is not exclusive to women. Men are encouraged to use these tees more frequently, as they measure an average length of 5,303 meters, similar to the white tees at Totaradale and Kaikoura, which are traditionally considered men's tees.
- **Purple Tees:** Designed for beginners, these tees offer a shorter course measuring 2,855 meters.

International guidelines suggest that playing from the correct tee for your handicap can enhance enjoyment of the game and be assured your handicap will be adjusted accordingly. Below are general recommendations based on non-cup days for men:

- **Black Tees:** Handicap 5 and below
- **Blue Tees:** Handicap range of 6 to 18
- **Red Tees:** Handicap range 19 and above
- **Purple Tees:** Beginners

We encourage midweek groups and Sunday groups to use the red tees more often to improve the pace of play.

As noted in my previous communication, we have observed instances where groups of five and slower players do not allow faster groups to pass. Please ensure you maintain pace with the group ahead or allow others to play through if they are waiting. Patience and courtesy towards others on the course are paramount.



$\frac{1}{3}$   $\frac{1}{3}$   $\frac{1}{3}$   
AT 0% INTEREST

GO ALL IN ON A SUBARU OUTBACK AND PAY  $\frac{1}{3}$  NOW,  $\frac{1}{3}$  IN 2026 AND  $\frac{1}{3}$  IN 2027.

## CHANGE IN PROGRAMME

### CHANGE OF DATE

Due to a clash of dates, we have been asked to swap two Saturdays in April.

This will affect the first round of club champ qualifying and the second round of Beat the Pros.

The 5<sup>th</sup> of April is scheduled to be round one of club champ qualifying, this will now be round two of Beat the Pros.

The 12<sup>th</sup> of April is scheduled as Beat the Pros and will now be the first round of club champ qualifying.

The 12<sup>th</sup> of April will also include the third round of the Shootout and the McQuade Mug.

Apologies to anyone affected by this change.

## **MENS UPDATE**

### **TROPHIES**

Would those that still have trophies from presentation day, please return these to the office ASAP. Thank you.

### **KEN JONES MEMORIAL**

The Ken Jones Memorial will be played for on the first four Wednesdays throughout April.

This is open to all 18 hole male members of the club.

The format is best three of four single stableford.

Book you own tee times on Dotgolf and make sure you tick the box when you print your cards.

Results each week will be in the results newsletter and include updates on standings as the weeks progress.

### **SENIOR AGE GROUP CHAMPS**

An entry sheet is now up in the clubhouse for the senior age group champs.

Three grades...

50-59 - Senior Cup

60-69 - Ray Williamson Memorial

Over 70s - Seniors Trophy

Age as of first qualifying round.

Two qualifying rounds will be played on Saturday 29th of March and Saturday 26th of April with each players best nett round to count.

Players must be entered and can then book their own tee times on the qualifying days.

Qualifiers then play knockout matchplay off handicaps with matches to be played at a time agreed by both players.

Top 8 or 16 to qualify depending on the number of entries in each age group.

All play is off blue champ tees.

Entries close at 5.00pm on Monday 24th of March.

## **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The entry sheet is also now up for the Club Champs.

Club Championship - open to all – Black Champ Tees

Kerr Cup – Handicap 4.1 to 8.0 - Black Champ Tees

Leggatt Cup – Handicap 8.1 to 12.0 - Black Champ Tees

Thomson Cup – Handicap 12.1 to 16.0 - Blue Champ Tees

Cock Cup – Handicap 16.1 to 20.0 - Blue Champ Tees

Founders Cup – Handicap 20.1 - 36.0 - Blue Champ Tees (Handicaped)

Two medal qualifying rounds to be played on Saturday 12th of April and Saturday 3rd of May.

Best gross score counts.

Each grade will have 8 or 16 players qualify for the matchplay rounds to be played on the following dates.

Club Champs Round 1      Saturday 10th of May

Club Champs Round 2      Saturday 17th of May

Club Champs Semi Finals   Saturday 24th of May

Club Champs Finals          Saturday 7th of June

Finals of the top three grades will be played over 36 holes, with finals of the remaining grades played over 18 holes.



Entries close at 5.00pm on Monday 7th of April.

Handicap cut off to decide grades will be midnight Thursday 10th of April.

Qualifying and matchplay rounds are drawn by the committee and will be entered into Dotgolf.

### **Saturday 15th March - NBS Tournament**

Details are elsewhere in the newsletter for this years NBS pairs tournament to be played over two days. If you aren't entered yet, find a partner and book on Dotgolf.

This is our big tournament for the year.

### **Saturday 22nd March - Encounter Shield & Miramar Vase #4 + McQuade Mug #3**

The final round of the Encounter and Miramar will be played.

Book you own tee times on Dotgolf.

As we would like to present the two trophies to the winners at the end of play, we ask those in contention that book to play in the morning to please return to the club around 4.30pm

The McQuade Mug will also be up for grabs.

### **Saturday 29th March - Senior Age Group Qualifying #1**

First round of Senior Age Group qualifying. Enter your own tee time on Dotgolf and select the correct box

when printing your card. NOTE - All players should also be entered on the entry sheet in the clubhouse.

For all others there will be a pros comp.

### **Saturday 5th April - Beat the Pros #2**

The second round of Pradeep Kumar Electrical Beat the Pros will be the first Ambrose round.

Book via Dotgolf.

Saturday 12th April - Club Champ Qualifying #1 =  
Shootout #3 + McQuade Mug #4

The first round of Club Champ qualifying will be played. Make sure you are entered in the clubhouse. This is a published draw.

The third round of the Shootout will also be played and another chance to get your hands on the McQuade Mug.

Purdie Campbell from Nelson  
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## Top Gun 2025

All players should now have made contact with their opponent. If you have not heard from yours, please make contact ASAP.

The draw, which includes contact numbers is up in the pro shop and clubhouse.

Please mark your results on one of these sheets once played.

If you lose your match and would like to buy back in for the second round, please contact Bryce on 021 240 7418.

All first round matches must be played by the 5<sup>th</sup> of April.



## Mixed Vets

Our March monthly tournament with a new sponsor (Sprig and Fern, Milton St) was held on Monday and a big field of 60 played in perfect conditions – sunny skies with a light N wind. Jon Gammon from Motueka won the Men's competition with a fine 40 pts. In the Women's division, Cathy Elliott from Motueka won with 36 pts. The Nelson Nines was won by Rebecca Sheehy on a countback with 24

points. Leading scores and novelty winners are summarized below.

### **Men**

Jon Gammon	Motueka	40	pts
Dave Harley	Nelson	39	c/b
Max Parker	Greenacres	39	c/b
Greg Ryan	Takaka	39	
Joe Mason	Nelson	38	
Ian Perry	Nelson	37	
Des Casey	Greenacres	35	c/b
Bill Agnew	Motueka	35	

### **Women**

Cathy Elliott	Motueka	36	
Korrin Black	Totaradale	35	c/b
Diane Groom	Greenacres	35	

### **Nelson Nines**

Rebecca Sheehy	Nelson	24	c/b
Sue Clark	Nelson	24	
Lynn Collings	Totaradale	23	
Paula McDiarmid	Nelson	21	c/b
John Foster	Nelson	21	

### **NTPs**

Tony Watkins	Nelson		
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Lyn Collings	Totaradale		
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### **Straightest Drives**



David Hector  
Veronica Wong

Nelson  
Nelson

## Twos

Diane Groom

Greenacres

Our thanks to tournament sponsors **Sprig and Fern,**  
**Milton St** and Nelson Nines sponsor **NZ Sothebys**  
**International Realty.**

Our next tournament will be a team event for the Peter Gentry Trophy (Nelson GC members only) to be held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April.

Stephen Graham

Acting Mixed Vets Convenor

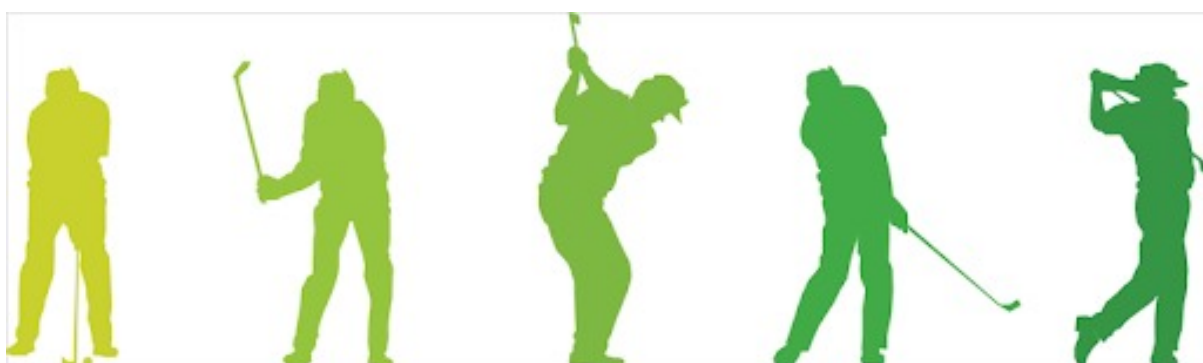
# CAFÉ NEWS



## 4pm to 6pm Friday's

Happy Hour now includes Asahi beer between 4pm and 6pm on a Friday, a pint will only be \$8.00.

We are back into the weekly handle draw which is currently sitting at \$320, Helen Doherty was drawn and was not in the club rooms so it jackpots to \$340 this tonight, you must there to win!



### Sheehan Financial Business House Golf

Business house golf has been completed with zero bad weather nights. We have been lucky this year. It has meant a nice break in the middle and very good playing conditions throughout the 2024-2025 season while minimising the use of the course.

All members and visiting golfers can have their course back on a Wednesday night and fully enjoy what is left of the longer days.

Thank you to all the members for sharing your course with business house golf during the summer.

Thank you to all of our sponsors Sheehan Financial, Brown and Syme, Brown and Associates and the McCashins Tap Room. As the event organisers, having these sponsors on board makes our job a lot easier and helps to provide wonderful prizes throughout the year.

Please, we ask that when you get the chance support these businesses as that will go a long way to being able to continue to run what is a popular event in the years to come.

### **Ecco shoes**

Ecco currently has new models of shoes coming out but there are some left over models in Men's and ladies H4 and we have secured a deal over the period of the next 4- 5 weeks with Ecco to provide the Nelson members with the opportunity to get brand new shoes(old model) at a discount of \$100 off each pair. We will also be running down the Ecco spiked G5 model across mens and ladies and the same deal. We will have these shoes in store in a few days and will have a stand set up in store for easy access.

If we look low on a size you are looking at, please ask and we will see if there are any left at the warehouse.

### **Clothing deals**

Also pop in to see clothing deals in store on the sales rack.

It continues to be a busy time and we look forward to seeing you all on the course.

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## **Art Corner**

New to the Art Corner for March is local artist DIANA GREEN

Be sure to view her colourful acrylics.



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