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Pro Talk

Mike Duncumb

Head Professional

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The weather has come right, course conditions have improved and we have hosted some of our tournaments that were postponed due to weather. It's great to get these across the line, having new players enjoy the course and get some tournament green fees.



Golf memberships have continued to grow in all categories, which has meant more pressure on tee times, the golf course and our cart fleet. To ensure we maximise our facility we ask all players to cancel any bookings they are unable to keep by calling the golf shop. Less than four player's in your group please except to be joined up with other player's when available to make up a foursome. Reminder, when arriving at the club members must check in with the golf shop and print or request a digital scorecard. If introducing a guest all fees must be paid before teeing off.

Members cards and photos – We have a large number of members that have yet to collect their membership cards, as part of this process we are taking a photo of every member to sit against your personal account which helps all staff when processing member account

charges. The cards can be collected from the golf shop as well as having your photo taken.

We have lots of new stock arriving; keep an eye out for the new winter apparel, waterproof tradition golf shoes, Peter Millar L/S polos and waterproof golf bags. All good options coming into winter.

On the tech side we have added some Garmin products, the Approach G80, Approach G30 & the Approach S62.



All these devices provide the player with a host of information for recording your stats and giving you accurate information during your round. These are on display on the shop counter, and we have received great references from members that have purchased these products.

Pro Tip

Take an extra club and swing smooth. Our Flightscope radar in the studio found that over 65% of members golf shots finish short of the target from 150 metres. By adding 10 more metres to all their golf shots members will increase the percentage of greens they hit by 8 – 10%.

To help achieve this take an extra club and make a smooth golf swing. Not only will this help you hit your iron shots the right distance, but when swinging slower you will likely be more accurate too.

A smooth golf swing is an accurate one.



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Turf Talk

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Well, the weather has finally settled this last month, to give us a nice start to autumn. Course maintenance has been in full swing, and we are finally able to get stuck into our project work.

The Putting green has taken shape and is well underway, with irrigation and drainage going in. This will be followed by approximately 10 truck and trailers of sand. This has been a great project for the greens staff, and everyone is excited to see the green take its final shape.



On the orchard nine, the tees are almost complete. These are looking great and will provide a robust hitting area that will survive the hundreds of divots produced each day. It has been an interesting process to watch and see how these new types of synthetics are laid.



grows in over winter. The large pine at the crest of the hill has also been removed, this was almost completely dead, and we didn't need it falling on our new green.

It seems like winter has come early, because at the time of writing this we have 3 degrees outside, but I'm sure there will be plenty of nice warm days of golfing to come.

Once the sand starts to be spread out, it will be the time to start dismantling the old surface and moving it onto the 65-tee deck on the 1st. This will provide an area to putt on whilst the new green

stabilised those areas. Rye grass will be sown into the driving range and once established will allow us to get it open for winter.

On the driving range the turf that was placed in the wash out areas has taken well and is now anchored in and has



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Bits & Bites

Matt Burton

Bar Manager

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What a busy March we've had! Along with the course being busy and people being able to enjoy the last of the longer days, we've also managed to "catchup" on several events that had to be postponed due to previous weather events.



Great to see so many different segments of the market (members and corporate golf events, charity events, corporate day meetings, social occasions) all enjoying our facilities.



Weekend 9am openings Update

We have been tracking sales since introducing the 9am opening time on Saturdays and Sundays back in October last year. Despite this service being requested by members it has proven to not be overly successful and based on the past 5 months averages this service has run at a loss. If you would like this service to continue it needs your support! So, one last month



to see if the support is there to make this service viable. Look out for the outcome next month...

Easter Sunday – 9th April

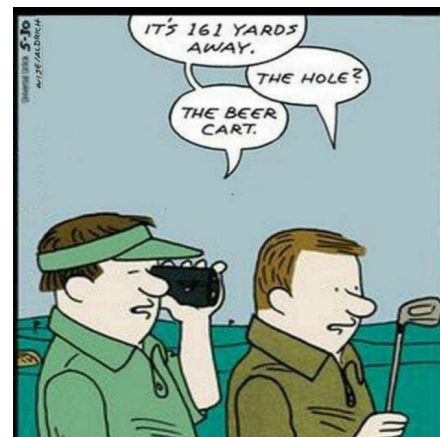
It's that time of the year already. Relax and enjoy the long weekend, get your family and friends together and join us for our annual Easter Sunday Brunch Buffet. This is a popular event, with our buffet tables laden with food to suit even the most discerning tastes.



Come along and enjoy the Easter treats, the family atmosphere, the countryside and the Wainui hospitality.

Bookings essential - 09 444 3437 ext 4 or email fandb@wainui.online

Just for laughs: Keep an eye out on Saturdays!



Up Coming Events:

Friday 7th April – Burger Night
Sunday 9th April – Easter Brunch Buffet
Wednesday 12th April – Mid Month Open
Friday 21st April - Steak Night
Friday 28th April - Rib Night

Reminder for this weekend!



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GM's Corner

Terry Yacyshen

General Manager

I'm sure all are aware that overnight Saturday 1st April all clocks in New Zealand go back an hour with the reinstatement of standard time. With the clock reverting our hours of operation will be adjusted accordingly. We certainly hope that Mother Nature has a few additional months of good golfing weather in store due to the lack of summer this year in Aotearoa and all will get out to enjoy the course as time allows.



Alain and his crew have been busy as of late with the expansion of our hole #1 putting surface. With the rough shaping now complete, drainage and levelling will occur. All will note we've taken the couch surface off the 65 tee deck. This will allow the putting surface from PG1 to be transplanted allowing a practice warm up surface until such time as the newly seeded green is ready for play. Once the sod is in place it will require a few weeks to knit in before we are able to cut to

height and place holes for use. We thank all Members for their patience and support as we take the initiatives required to improve the amenities for the long term.

One Final Push



You'll no doubt hear from Matt over and over again during the month of April to entice all weekend golfers or clubhouse visitors that coffee and cabinet offerings are available starting at 9:00 a.m. Saturday and Sunday morning. We've been trialling this service for six months and unfortunately the uptake hasn't been strong enough to ensure the service continues. So, if you value the ability to grab a coffee before you play or on the way through to the tenth tee prior to 11:00 a.m. then please stop in when you arrive or on the way through grab a beverage of your choice and a bite to eat, otherwise if the service is not supported it will be discontinued

at the end of April and return to an 11:00 start time.

Reminder: Both Good Friday and Easter Sunday have restrictions on the sale and supply of alcohol. The law stipulates that to be served alcohol one must have a substantial meal not just a snack. Don't be discouraged, we want all to come and enjoy a beverage, although, we are obligated to follow best practices in the operation of The View outlet and will be softly reminding those arriving on both Good Friday 7 April and Easter Sunday 9 April they must order food prior to being served alcohol.

A great way to circumvent this requirement is to book into our annual Easter Sunday luncheon buffet and reservations can be confirmed by calling 09 444 3437 ext. 3 or by email on admin@wainui.online. This event is typically strongly supported so be sure to call and reserve your preferred time to arrive.

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The locals choice for a great lunch or dinner.
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Autumn/Winter Hours beginning April 1st
Monday Cabinet Only 11-5
Tuesday-Thursday 11-5 a la carte menu 11-3
Friday 11-7:30 Sat 11-6:00 Sunday 11-5:00

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**WAINUI EASTER
BUFFET BRUNCH**

Join us Sunday, 9th April at the Wainui Golf Course & Function Centre for our annual Easter Buffet Brunch. First sitting 11:00 last sitting 2:00 p.m.
Reservations Essential

Selection of Seasonal Salads * Cured Meats & Cheese * Roasted Vine Tomatoes * Assorted Breads
Croissant & Danish * Home Cured Gravlax Salmon * Scrambled Eggs
Crispy Bacon * Breakfast Sausages
Carvery
Honey Roast Ham & Smoked Brisket
Desserts
Apple Strudel * Chocolate Mousse

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Adults \$49.50

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