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Pro Talk

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Head Professional

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Hello golfers, what a great start to 2023 with long warm days returning after a wet December. There are now plenty of opportunities to play golf. Most Auckland golf courses are experiencing great course conditions and Wainui is no exception.

With that said, you may need to start adjusting your game to suit the extra run and hard bounces players are getting.

Club choice off the tee is the most important aspect of playing Wainui well, being aware of pin positions and the best place to play your second and third shots from as you move around the course, this will save you shots. For example, when teeing off on the 6th hole make sure you glance over and see where the flag is positioned on the 15th green allowing a better decision from the tee when you get to that hole during your round.

Remember to always head out onto the course with a full water bottle and a snack to keep you going, also members are welcome to utilize a golf cart for the back 9 for \$25 to keep you golfing over the next few warmer months.

Links2Golf

Wainui is a member of the Links2Golf an international booking agency that provides members a premium golf experience with access to the finest collection of golf clubs around the world, over 850 to date.

Simply put being a member of Wainui gives you access to these clubs with up to a 50% discount of green fees and cart rental. If you are traveling, you can find a course in the country you are travelling

too or book a tee time by the following ways,

- 1. Register as a member at links2golf. com this will give you access to the booking system
- 2. Send an email to teetimes@ links2golf.com for tee times
- 3. For up to date information subscribe to links2golf email to receive Network Golfer updates

This is another great benefit of your Wainui membership.

Pro Tip – The Grip

The position of your hands on the club is one of the most important parts of your swing.

If correct, it will help hinge the club during your backswing, release the club at the correct point in your downswing, square the clubface at impact and control the shape of your shots.

If you are wearing out your glove or noticing the club slipping in your hands, try these simple tips to gain control of the club. sits under the grip cap, not off the end of the grip

- 2. When gripping the club, sit the grip down in your fingers not in the palm of your hand
- 3. Avoid putting any downward pressure into your thumbs
- 4. When looking at the top hand, make sure you can see two knuckles with the v shape formed between the thumb and index finger pointing at your right shoulder for a right handed player

Carry your clubs in summer?

Nine holes after work, playing the Orchard 9 or using a half set? Carry bags are making a return and are easy to travel with making getting out onto the course quickly along with the added exercise a good option when looking for a new bag.



This month we have the ring moofer, Titleist players 4 & the Sunday carry bags on sale with 20% off.

I hope you get a chance to visit and play Wainui often and when you do bring an umbrella as lately we are living up to our lwi name.

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Turf Talk

Alain Le Sueur

Golf Course Superintendent

We are well into the new year and have had some good weather for golf and maintenance. With things finally drying out, we have been able to get most rough areas cut down to a controlled height. There may still be some areas that prove to be tricky to keep cut, so let's hope the dry weather continues.



The course is looking very green for this time of year and the lake has been overflowing for months now. With the driving range finally given a date, we can expect to start using the water more frequently for the reestablishment. Sand will start being delivered into the bottom carpark and from there they will fix up the washed out areas, re-stolonise what's required and then sand the entire range. This sand will greatly speed up the growing and should see the couch that is already there

start to really flourish. Hopefully the heavy rain stays away this time.



Hopefully, i'm not speaking too soon, now that we are getting some good weather and the course is drying out, we can start on some of our exciting new projects. The new putting green will start to take shape as we scrape back and remove the existing top soil and make way for the sub base of the green. New irrigation lines will be installed further back along the rock wall and extend up and around the new extension that will be cut out.

From there, we will start to discontinue the putting green and allow for the new drainage and sand to be added.

The sand you see up and around the approaches has been applied, and

will continue to be applied until we have a seamless interface between the couch approach and the cool season collars. As with any big job like the fairway conversion, there are always jobs that still need to be completed and getting the last of the bare areas covered over will be a priority.



I look forward to seeing you all out there and getting in a few games myself this year.





Bits & Bites

Matt Burton

Bar Manager

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least as the month of January went on, we did see some better more settled weather. Hopefully you have enjoyed a decent break before getting back into normal routines for the year.

With some of the lovely evenings we have had it's been great seeing people relaxing with a post-game or casual drink and bite on the deck enjoying the quiet surrounds and exquisite outlook. Hopefully the coming months allows for more of this!

After the busy leadup to Christmas, January has been a chance for the team to recharge and get ready for a busy year ahead with the events and function calendar already shaping up nicely

Hi all, well, not the ideal start to the year...at walked despondently up the 18th. He looked at his caddie and said, "I've played so badly all day, I think I'm going to drown myself in that lake." The caddie, quick as a flash, replied, "I'm not sure you could keep your head down that long."



Thursday 16th February – Twilight Friday 17th February - Steak Night Thursday 23rd February – Twilight

Have your morning coffee with us...



Saturday and Sunday



Be sure to enter the current Heineken Up Coming Events: promotion next time you're in.

Just for laughs: all too familiar...

Drowning your sorrows: After a particularly poor round, a golfer spotted a lake as he Thursday 9th February – Twilight

Thursday 2nd February – Twilight

Friday 3rd February – Burger Night



GM's Corner

Terry Yacyshen

General Manager

I'm unsure if warnings about summer sun and sun block will be needed this year at all. No doubt weather conditions have wreaked havoc on New Zealand and our Wainui world for far too long this spring and summer.

All will have received my email notices about course conditions over the past week and no need to revisit those updates. I will mention that I am continually amazed at how well our course drains and upon close inspection it would be hard to tell we've experienced the records setting rain conditions of the past few months, with apparently more on the way. I am confident when summer finally arrives we'll be blessed with the best course conditions since our arrival.

our Wainui family. It is to be expected

with a changing Membership the

habits and expectations for utilization

It is important our crew understand how each Member wants to access our facility and with Sam Lee's departure Mike and I will be picking up the important tasks of reaching out to all new Members and building a relationship to ensure the enjoyment of game and all the club facilities exceed your expectation.

the club and have an opening be sure to let the golf shop know so they may add a player who is perhaps looking for a game and develop the relationships

Members the best for the coming season. Twilight has already begun with a strong field regardless of the weather and knowing good weather

of the course and club are varied. will arrive at some point we hope all Member events are equally well attended.

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February will also mark the return of the If you are an established Member at Mid Month Open targeted for the second Wednesday of the month through until winter weather arrives.

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