Canterbury Golf Activity Report

July—August 2010

Sponsor confirmed for Junior Order of Merit

Todd Heller has generously expanded his support for junior golf development, and agreed to sponsor the Junior Order of Merit. His support will go towards overall prizes which will be in the form of development grants.

CGI to Visit Clubs in the Spring

During the coming months, Canterbury Golf management and staff are asking to visit all clubs in a bid to close the communication gap between the district and clubs. This will take the form of a staff member (primarily the General Manager) and a member of the Management Committee or Board of Directors attending a monthly club committee meeting or club golf day.

The objective is to meet key club officials and discuss matters for the upcoming 2010/2011 season.

CGI on the look out for a major sponsor

Canterbury Golf have been working on a proposal to attract a major corporate sponsor for the next 3-5 years. We believe we have significant benefits to offer a potential sponsor. These include:

- Access to key membership demographic profiles.
- Use of CGI contact networks.
- Significant brand exposure including:
    - Company logo placement on a wide range of CGI equipment.
    - Company signage at all CGI tournaments and events.
    - Naming rights to a major Canterbury Golf tournament.
- A company golf day at Russley Golf Club.
- Invitations to CGI events.
- Use of CGI branding and imagery.

Contact General Manager Grant Lewis for further details.

Changes afoot for Canterbury Men's Match Play

It was hoped to combine the men's and women's match play events for 2010 but this has been delayed until 2011. This year the Canterbury Men's Match Play will be at the Christchurch Golf Club on 2-3 October. A Masters section has been added with eight players qualifying from the Rangiora Open on 18 September. The main field of 16 is qualifying through the Templeton Open on 19 September. Players for both grades can also qualify through the Charles Tour Wairakei Open rounds 1 & 2 on 16 September. Stu Brannigan has kindly donated a trophy for the Master's Men. The women's match play will still be accommodated by the Christchurch Golf Club as the Canterbury Provincial Championship.

Town teams named for Town v Country Match

For this annual match at Rangiora on 22 August.

Senior Men (in playing order) - Keelan Kilpatrick, Mark O'Malley, Shaun Jones, Owen Burgess, Tom Turner, Jordan Pentecost, Daniel Shin, Drew Atkins, Moon Hak Lee, Nick Borren, Richard Reed, Jordan Bakermans, reserve: Hayden Burns.

Senior Women - Jess Guenzerodt, Sylvie Williams, Elisha Crosbie, May Chang, Dabin Kim, Kim Moggach, Louise Gebbie, Georgia Wayman, Maddi Hill-Lovett, Vanessa Lord, Melissa Newburn, Zhantel Weekes, reserve: Fiona Gebbie.

Men's Masters - Andrew Dufton, Paul Costello, Ian Carruthers, Joe Gantley, Davitt Lavery, John Rademakers, reserve: Peter Fox.

U19 Men's - Michael McAuley, Regan Kilpatrick, Sam Van Hulten, Ashley Watts, Jack Harling, James Cadenhead, Josh Williams, Jarrod Satherley, reserve: James Nunan.

Unfortunately the Country teams were not available at the time of publication.

Metro teams dominate Buller/Westland Quad

The Canterbury Metro team were the overall winners of the annual quadrangular tournament between Buller/ Westland, Canterbury Metro, Canterbury North and Canterbury Central held at Rangiora on 24-25 July. The Metro Senior team of Shaun Jones, Tom Turner, Keelan Kilpatrick and Owen Burgess won each of their three games to finish on 6 points and 10½ games. Canterbury North were runners up on 3 points and 6½ games. The Metro Masters team of (pictured from left) Murray Turnbull, Ian Carruthers, Andrew Dufton & Davitt Lavery also won. The team finished on 5 points and 10 games with Buller/Westland taking 2nd place on 4 points and 6 games. The Metro Junior team of Regan Kilpatrick, Sam van Hulten, Michael McAuley & Jordan Bakermans completed the treble and had a clean sweep in their three matches to finish on 6 points and 10½ games. Canterbury North were runners-up on 3 points and 5 games. The match was played in fine conditions on a Rangiora course that was produced in fantastic condition given the poor weather leading into the event.

CGI Club Manager's Meeting

The next Club Manager's Meeting is being held at AMI Stadium on Tuesday 17 August. CGI sponsor Vbase will host the meeting in the Captains Club lounge in the Deans Stand. Agenda items include discussion on:

- Pro Shops—to lease or to own?
- Sharing green keeping equipment—who does and how?
- Promotions to attract new members.

Vbase Membership Manager Simon Carter is the guest speaker talking about the various membership opportunities they are able to offer.

"Golfison" to help with member communication

CGI will subscribe to a new website that allows an email to be sent weekly to members telling them about upcoming club and district tournaments and events. This will help bridge the communication gap from district through to members. Other useful information such entry forms, tournament brochures etc. can also be emailed.

The company is managed by Wanaka golfer Glen Christie. He is currently approaching clubs to see if they want to use the service. Otago and Auckland districts are also on board. Members can sign up to receive emails either via the Golfison website or through their club.

CGI Office having a spruce up

The Canterbury Golf Office in McLeans Island Rd is to receive a tidy up. A recent building report identified a number of minor repairs that need to be carried out. No work has been done on the building since it was built in 2001.

Golf Thought for the Day—"The reason the pro tells you to keep your head down is so you can't see him laughing."