



Hagley Times

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Green Fee Special Offer

Discount cards for both 18 and 9 hole rounds

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4 round 18 hole card will only cost you \$60 and a 4 round 9 hole discount card only \$45.

Great value for money.

Future Proofing The Club

With the new year well behind us The Executive Committee have been hard at work on behalf of the members working on a plan to sustain the Club into the Future. As was discussed at the AGM we have been working with High School Old Boys on a possible joint venture that would see major redevelopment of the club house and the club.

Like the Golf Club, High School Old Boys (HSOB) have had to go to their members to gain approval to take discussions to the next level. The development subcommittee have been told to report back to Special General Meeting with in 60 days so that some of the concerns of their members can be discussed in more detail. They have agreed in principle that it is a very sound idea and worth looking at. We have had a number of HSOB visit the club in the last month so they can see first hand just what could be developed on our site.

There is still a long way to go before we are ready to put anything down on paper but all the people involved so far, can see no negatives with the project. The council are also keen for both clubs to move forward as they can see long term benefits for everyone involved, as well as the potential for expansion on the idea.

Part of this development will be the signing of a new lease with the council for the site. Following a meeting with council on Monday March 1. I can report back that the council would rather wait and negotiate a new lease after we have completed discussions with HSOB. It was noted that if the new building / redeveloped building was slightly outside the current footprint then the lease would be adjusted accordingly . Also if the current car parks at the rear of the clubhouse are built on, then these could be relocated and covered in an extended lease. The council are more likely to support developments like this as apposed to individual sports which do not make as good use of the area. (Seasonal)



Yes we will be Open through out the Flower Show

Flower Show



Once again the Flower Show will be on this year from March 10 to 14th . The course will be open throughout this time with our normal program of events on. As there will be significant pressure on parking in the Armagh St car park there will be parking available at the rear of the club house. The area will be roped off and will only be open to members and green fee players so make sure you display your parking permit. No permit could mean you end up paying a parking fine as the area will be patrolled by parking wardens. Access to the car park will be off Riccarton Av past the bowling and croquet courts. You must stick to the speed limit 20K/h and have your hazard lights on while driving through the park. Also make sure you give way to cycles and pedestrians at all times.

Local Rules

"Give way to Greens staff at all times." This is something that some members need a reminder about. WE don't always in force this but some times we have to.

"GUR"

If staff is working in an area and it is clear that the area is effected by that work eg. (Working in a bunker) then that bunker is out of play and should be treated as GUR.

"Refusal to comply with Rules of Golf"

There have been a number of incidents lately where players have agreed to wave the rules . This does not work an in fact if you refuse to comply with the rules then you or both players will be disqualified.

9 hole Cards

If you are an 18hole player and you have completed 9holes the card must be submitted for handi-capping

Hole in One Scored



On Thursday February 4 2010 Mrs M.T. Calvert (Marie) scored the ultimate golf shot on the 8th hole at Hagley. With perfect pin placement by the green staff Marie was able to hole the 103 metre shot. The young Mrs M.T. Calvert has been playing the game for some 27 years and this is her first hole in one. Obviously a lot of skill is involved in this type of scoring and hope Marie is able to repeat the feat a little quicker than the another 27 years.

Hagley Golf Club Championship

With the change to the timing of the Club Championship we see the first round of match play being held on Feb 27 2010. We have a good size field in each section this year as well as flights being played. The final will be played on 20/3/2010 with those unlucky enough not to make the final able to play in a 12 hole match on the day. It is hoped that those that don't make the final will still come down to the club and support those players that are in the final. It should be a good day for all involved.

Around The Traps

Clubhouse.

For those that have not yet been in the club House this year we now have new carpet. This project was completed thanks to support of Pub Charity who donated \$5000 towards the project. It is amazing to see the difference a little carpet makes to the overall appearance of the clubhouse.

Staffing

Members will have noticed that we have taken on another staff member this summer. Thanks to the Government we have been able to secure funding for this staff member through the work ops scheme. This see's the club receive \$5000 in funding to help cover cost associated with taking the person on. There are certain conditions that apply and it does take quite a bit of time in training but it in the long run it is well worth it. We did try this scheme before Christmas but unfortunately the person we employed did not work out.

Volunteers .

As was discussed at the AGM the use of volunteers on the course is somewhat problematic thanks to the current Occupational Health and Safety regulations.

Having said that if you have some spare time and would like to do some work around the club then please just give me a call in the office and we can arrange for some work for you. (3798279)

The one thing we can not have is any member just turning up and going out on the course doing work that they feel should be done. This can cause problems with scheduled work as well as exposing the club safety issues that are not properly controlled.

Funding

We have been lucky this year as well as funding for the Carpet we have also been successful in gaining funding for part of our fertilizer program. The New Zealand Community Trust donated \$2000 towards our fertilizer program.

Men's Locker Room

We do apologise for the mess that has been in the men's locker room since the old carpet was removed from the clubhouse. This is going to be used in the men's locker room as a stop gap measure till we know just what is going to happen with the development project with HSOB.

The Carpet is set to be laid on the 4th of March so should already be down by the time you read this.

Safety On The Course

Over the last couple of months there have been a number of incidents reported where players have been teeing off next to the pathways and they have done so while pedestrians are in range.

I draw your attention to the signs that are by the club house as well as on the front of the cards. "**Ensure that the paths are clear of cyclists and pedestrians before playing your shot**" We share the park with other users a little consideration on both sides would go a long way.

Also I would like to remind members that green fee players are a very large part of this course and are key to our survival. I have unfortunately had a number of green fee players complain about the way they have been approached by members. If you have a problem then please report it to the office and we will deal with it.