

## **Paddy's Prattle 20 October**

A quiet weekend for the members on the Brandon with the Ladies SI Interprovincials being played. The Aorangi girls put on a good show and were well served by the Ashburton players. The Aorangi men also put in a solid performance at St Clair, so well done to all the Ashburton rep players.

The 9 holers did play on Saturday and the text chatter went off with Matt letting me know that Dick Hansen had got 18 points (a 9 hole par score) in the first 5 holes, he then went on to snaffle himself a whopping 29 points for the full 9, an awesome performance, which I think may have just snuck him into first place.

A mini bus of Jolly boys headed away on a mystery trip ending up at Fairlie. First stop was the pie shop, then we were made very welcome at the golf club. None of our boys stood proud in the results, though one match up did stand out. Hoppy playing off 4 was matched up with a new Fairlie player, playing off a 36 who then went on to shoot the same gross as the big fella on the first 9 and ended up with a decent 49 points. Tough school!

After being well beat on the course, we had to bounce back well in the club rooms and that we did, with a stack of raffle prizes and being the last lot to finally leave, we held our heads high. A quick stop at the Village Inn Geraldine seemed harmless enough. After a swift couple, safety officer Perry herded the cats back towards the bus then promptly snapped the key off in the drivers door lock. The lovely Mrs Hopster was called and after much grovelling and promises of future good deeds, she kindly drove out to pick up the spare key and bring it to us, as the once herded cats scarpered back into the bar. A great day was had, many thanks to Captain Terry, Perry the ham fistled driver and the wonderful Wendy.

This week the course has been undergoing maintenance and re opens for Friday night golf. A mixed ambrose will be held on Saturday and then on Monday we have the Centennial Trophy which is a mixed individual stableford. Pop along and join in the fun. Good golfing.