

## 19 July 2022

A beautiful but frosty weekend saw some wonderful golf across the district. On Saturday a big field took to the course to play in round 4 of the Club Champs qualifying. Leading the way with a great score of 89 off 21 for a net 68 was the Brandon legend Ken Clucas. Also on 68 was Paddy, Blair shot 69, Royce carded a 70 then Robbie, young Spud and Timmy shot 71. Jeff Hewitt shot best gross of 72 and leads the way in qualifying.

Terry K is presently working through the grades, to get everyone into the correct divisions. The handicaps have been set now. Whatever you were on Sunday morning is the division you will be in for Champs. One big mover that I did notice is that Greig Sparrow has gone and got himself into the intermediates after a recent handicap slip. The last time old spud was in the intermediates he was playing in school shorts, combing his flowing locks and playing with a set of hickory shafted clubs. Though he can still fit in the shorts and still has the clubs, not sure of the flowing locks.

Saturday also had points on offer for the RMF Silva Cup. Ken and Paddy both took the maximum 12 points, and it seems like the big fella is running away with the top 30 qualifying. All you need to do is to get in the top 30 though and then the scores are reset for the final series. It is still all to play for.

This Saturday Matt is holding one of his **Sega Golf Pro Shop** days. I believe we are doing a Bisque par round. I have not played one for a while, but they are good fun, when you are trying to work out where is best to take your shots. Come on down and support our club pro.

Pennants on Sunday was a mixed bag of results. Shanes Alex boys had a loss at Rakaia but new ring ins Hayden and Darren both had good wins, well done chaps. Robbie and his Holmes team just got pipped by Tinwald with Hoppy and Hamish having good wins. Dylan dropped himself from the pups team, and it seemed to work, as stand in skip Jordy led the boys to their first win in 4 games, Dave M and young Spud chipped in with wins for a good 10 : 7 score. The old dogs are on fire and were not in a giving mood as they put neighbours Tinwald to the sword with a convincing 17 : 0 win to get themselves back in the top 4. This sets up the next game very well on August 7<sup>th</sup> at Rakaia we have the penultimate round and it will be the dog fight. We will look into the game in two weeks time. I might even try to get the team sheet early and do a head to head preview.

As of writing, I see a call went out for volunteers to clean up the course after the winds. I am sure this will have been well supported, because you are a wonderful group of people who love your golf club.

Many thanks  
Good golfing