

## **Paddy's Prattle 26 April 2022**

The Anzac long weekend, again saw big crowds hit the Brandon course. On Saturday we had the AM Bruce cup which is a mixed foursomes stroke game. This is a great fun format, taking alternate shots and trying not to put your partner in trouble. Many of the ladies in the field found themselves in far flung parts of the course that they had never visited before. After the dust and giggling settled the winners of the day were Tonee Hurley and Kevin Smith closely followed by Wendy and Hoppy then Wendy and Eric Parr. Well played.

On Monday we had our annual battle of the sexes, where you play individual stableford then all the men's scores and ladies scores are averaged out to see who wins. Greig Sparrow led the way in his first outing after isolation with a gross 74 for 41 points. All those YouTube golf tip channels must be paying off. Second place and top lady was Vicki Moore with 39 points, Karen McRae had 37 then Hilary Ward, Mary Lou and Wendy Parr had 36 points each as did Timmy, Richie Mc, Arkright and Paddy. The bottom of the scoreboard was very male heavy, mentioning no names, so when the averages were sorted the ladies average of 33 smashed the mens of 31. Well done to everyone who took part, the mixed days are always great fun.

This Saturday we have the Murray Webb salver which is the qualifier for the Watson Cup, the clubs premier men's pairs trophy. Get your partners sorted and head down on Saturday, get yourself in the top 16 pairs and your are into the knockout stages. Early Watson Cup favourites are Lefty and Ken, as always, with the two Patricks as dark horses. The whole week is sponsored by the great gang at JAE services. The best carpet and upholstery cleaners in town. If you want carpets cleaned or got yourself a bit of a flood to clean up, give them a shout. Thanks guys.

On Sunday we have a few pennants games going ahead. Davo takes his Redpath boys to Highfield to take on Methven. Shane and the Alex boys have a tough gig at Temuka playing the locals. Then in the Patterson grade both teams are at Mayfield. Dylan and the pups should have an easy walk in the park win against a very weak Fairlie team, whilst Paddy and the old dogs are struggling to get 6 fit men on the park after Covid ran rampant through the pensioners, but hopefully the team can pull off a backs to the wall win against a battle hardened Denfield team. Results next week.