

Ashburton Golf Club

We had a lovely day last Saturday for the Murray Webb Salver, this was a best ball pairs nett game and a qualifier for the Watson Cup. Leading the way by 3 shots, making them Murray Webb champs, top seeds and overwhelming favourites for the Watson were Dad and lad duo FC and Chrisjan Senekal with a superb round of nett 57, as I said three shots clear of another dad and lad combo Chris and Nick Ralston. Pat and myself were lucky enough to be playing alongside FC and Chrisjan and I have to say, it could have been a couple of shots better. FC was on fire hitting 78 off an 11 handicap, but the game of the day was young Chrisjan who hit 8 birdies on his way to a gross 67. It was an absolute joy to watch. Massive drives splitting fairways, I think he only missed a couple of greens in regulation and his putter was on fire, if it didn't drop in it finished just behind the hole, and to round it off he is a wonderfully polite young man. I don't know where that comes from, must be Jolene! Well done guys, and to all the top 16 who qualified. Matt has put a draw out so please check it and make sure you can play.

We had a bit of a hitch with the original weekly draw, which had to be changed, and this may not have been publicised well enough. The Watson cup takes a week off and doesn't kick off until April 25th Anzac day, with afternoon start times only. This Saturday we have qualifying Round 2 of Club Champs, so this will be a stroke round off the blue tees.

On Sunday we have Pennants across the district and all our teams are playing.

The big boys in the scratch Holmes league have 2 games at Temuka playing North Otago and Tinwald. President Terry and his Redpath guns are also at Temuka playing against Gleniti. Captain Pugwash is back on the bridge to lead the Old dogs at Mayfield against Gleniti. Jordy and the pups will have their work cut out having to travel to Fairlie to take on the home team. This is also in store for Shane and his bravehearts as they have to play the home team at Rakaia. Good luck to all our teams, have fun and play dirty!

Hope you have all checked out the beautiful wooden plaque that has been positioned at the native garden just behind the second green. This is the memorial plaque for the amazing club man, life member and all round legend that was Dave Hewitt. It looks beautiful positioned there, be sure to give Dave a nod and smile next time you pass.

That will do for now,

good golfing.