

Waahi Taakaro Golf Club Newsletter 5 September.

A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR WAAHI TAAKARO GOLF CLUB VOLUNTEERS!



Key Projects:

- Retaining Wall & Gardens (by [Name from shirt])
- Tee Marker Painting (by [Name from shirt])
- Green Debris Removal (the "Blower Crew")



Your Hard Work Makes Our Course Beautiful.

Waahi Taakaro Golf Club on Saturday 19th September 2026

See attached Annual Report

AGM of the Waahi Taakaro Golf Club on Saturday 19th September 2026 at 9am in the clubhouse.

Agenda

Meeting opened & welcome.

Present.

Apologies.

1. Minute Silence for those club members who have passed on.
2. Minutes of 2025 AGM held on 20/9/2025.
3. Matters arising.
4. Receive, read and adopt annual reports from the following:
 - President
 - Club Captain
 - Golden Oldies
 - Old Hickory
 - Women's Golf
5. Receive and adopt 2025-2026 audited accounts. The Manager will also give an update for the 2025-2026 year to date.
6. Tributes and thanks.
 - Life Member Nomination.
7. General Business.
8. Meeting Closed



Golf Committee – Weekly Internal Competition Dates

1. **Monday (07 Sept)** 9H 'Women's Golf – 10.00am.
2. **Tuesday (08 Sept)** 9-Hole **Stableford B9** Tee-Off (1pm).
3. **Wednesday (09 Sept)** Women's Golf Club Competition **PAR + PUTTS B9** 9-Hole (10am).
4. **Thursday (10 Sept)** Golden Oldies play **Stableford F9 – Laurie Ashby Troph Rd 2** Tee-Off (10am).
5. **Saturday (12 Sept)**
 - **9-holers Net F9 12noon tee off.**
 - **18-holers play the Barkman Trophy Rd11, Shootout Rd 9, Club Championships Rd 3 10am tee off.**



Waahi Taakaro Golf Club Reports – Week ending 5 September.

Golden Oldies results for 3/9/26

Paul Tunncliff's hot form continued Thursday (Sept 3) as he won the Golden Oldies' match of the day, a par round over the back nine,

Fresh from winning the C&F Legal Stroke on Saturday, he topped the field with an outstanding +5

in warm, sunny conditions. What made his gross of 40 even better was that it was played on greens that had just been cored.

Super veteran Warren Green was almost as good, securing second with a fine +4 score.

Ray Hopgood and John Dixon shared third with +2 each, while the trio of Andrew Dean, Ali Mawby and Phil Sellers also played above their handicaps with +1. Michael Doyle and Mick Leggett were next on 0 on a day of generally good scoring.

Club results for 29/8/26

Paul Tunncliffe is the C&F Legal Stroke champion for 2026 after another solid round in tricky conditions on a blustery Saturday (August 29).

Playing off a 19-handicap from the blue tees, Paul carded a workmanlike 73 to go with his excellent first-round 69 for a winning net total of 142.

This was two better than Gabriel Tijssen on 144 who added another tidy 72 to claim second.

Keri Kotua (72+74) finished third on 146, with Richard Pearson (74+74) fourth on 148.

The round also doubled as the second round of qualifying for the club champs and carried Barkman Trophy points and counted towards Shootout top ten qualification. Scoring was higher than the first round a fortnight ago as a good field of 32 players largely struggled in gusting winds and sticky ground conditions after a day of heavy rain.

Jarrood Huss was the big mover in the Senior Grade, posting the equal top gross of the day, an 81. James Champion shot a matching 81 to take a four-stroke lead with a total of 164. His nearest challengers are Nick Riddell and Keri Kotua on 168 with Jarrod on 173.

Gabriel T stretched his lead in the Intermediate Grade with a second 85 for a two-round total of 170. Peter Watson (176) is leading the chasers who include Bryce Vincent (182) and Graham Galt (185).

Paul T is top of the Junior A standings with a total of 180 followed by Richard Pearson and Gareth Edwards (184 each) and Harry Ambrose (185).

Andrew Craig continues to lead the Junior B grade. His total of 200 is comfortably ahead of Dave Huntley (209) and Phil Sellers and Jack Denton (214 each).

The third and final round of club champs qualifying on September 12 is the last chance to improve positions before the playoffs, with the best two gross scores over three rounds counting.

In the match of the day, Jarod H claimed maximum Barkman points with a net 71. Gabe T (72) finished second, while Blair Joliffe pipped Paul T for third on countback after both came in with 73. Next were Keri K, Graham Eggers, James C and Philip Rogers on 74, with James taking the final Barkman point on countback from Phil.

There were three twos recorded, with Kent Yarrall, Harry A and Keri K each bagging one on No 14. Kent won closest to the pin on No 2.

The 9-holers showed how it was done, with Sue Moyle winning with an eye-watering 24 stableford points for the back nine. Almost as good was John Dryden who totalled 23 points. Paul McCrae, (19), Warren Green (19) and Chris Louth (18) filled the minor places.

Old Hickory team finishes third for 3/9/26

Our Old Hickory team finished third on a windswept Takaka course on Thursday (Sept 3) as Motueka continued its domination of this year's vets inter-club competition.

Just six out of 48 players scored 30 stablefords points or more as most struggled to cope with a strong northwesterly blowing across the Pohara links.

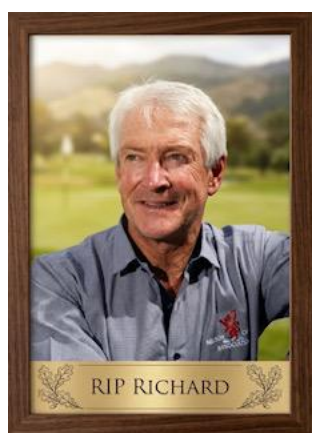
Motueka pair Reinhard Pauls and Brian Miller were joint individual top scorers with 33 stablefords each, leading their team to top place on the day with 120 points and strengthening their already imposing lead in the Club of the Year standings.

Dave Huntley was Waahi Taakaro's best player with 32 stablefords, with the other contributors being Graham Eggers (29), Peter Watson (28) and Bryan Ramsey (26). Non counters were Grant Fergusson (26) and Ian Hanford (24).

Our total of 115 was one shy of the combined Golden Downs-Redstone team in second place on 116, with John Andrews leading the way with 32.

Motueka (1461) stretched their lead in the Club of the Year race to 75 points over defending champion Waahi Taakaro (1386) with three rounds to go. Next are Takaka (1374), Nelson (1356), Tasman (1354), Totaradale (1345) and Greenacres (1303). Golden Downs-Redstone bring up the rear on 1260.

Sad News: Passing of Longtime Member Richard Hayward.



It is with heavy hearts that we inform our Waahi Taakaro Golf Club - Nelson members of the passing of **Richard Hayward (Member #4351114)**, who passed away this week in Nelson at the age of 72.

Richard was a familiar, warm presence around our club—a regular weekday golfer who loved nothing more than rounding out the week with a round on Friday. A true gentleman on and off the course, his warmth, friendship, and steady presence will be deeply missed by all who had the pleasure of sharing a fairways walk with him.

On behalf of the entire committee and membership, Waahi Taakaro Golf Club extends our heartfelt condolences to Richard's wife, Sue, his family, and his close friends. Rest in peace, Richard. You will be warmly remembered.

Waahi Taakaro Golf Club - Nelson Golf Course Turf Usage Guidelines.

Waahi Taakaro Golf Club and Nelson City Council kindly remind all members and public visitors that course fairways and greens are reserved exclusively for active, registered rounds of golf.

To maintain high-quality course conditions for everyone, practice sessions of any kind are strictly prohibited on the main course.

[Turf Protection Policy

Permitted Play]

Standard, continuous rounds of golf starting from designated tee boxes (18-hole or 9-hole registered play).

[Prohibited Practice] Repeated hitting of practice balls on fairways, chipping onto greens, or taking multiple practice shots from the same spot on the main course.

[Why It Matters] Concentrated wear and tear, divots, and pitch marks from repeated practice shots cause severe damage to the turf, compromising playing surfaces for all members and visitors.

[Designated Practice Areas] Please restrict all warming up, chipping, and putting practice to the designated practice green and warm-up areas prior to your tee time.

We appreciate your cooperation and assistance in respecting the course so we can keep Waahi Taakaro in peak condition year-round.

If you have any questions regarding course usage or wish to book a round, please contact the Waahi Taakaro Golf Shop or the Nelson City Council Parks team. Nelson City Council

Maitai Masters

We're only a couple of months away from our biggest event of the season — the Maitai Masters, the region's most popular men's 27-hole tournament.

This event fills fast every year, so please register early and arrange payment to secure your spot. Posters and registration forms are available or simply ring the golf shop 03 548 7301 and the staff will take your details. See below.

Register via the golf shop & put date in your diary.

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