

Springfield Golf Club Member Newsletter June 2012

THANK YOU'S ALL AROUND!

It has been a very productive and busy time at the Golf club over the past few months with so many wonderful members who have provided us with donations, support, their time and efforts that have helped to keep the club looking fantastic and running smoothly. We had a great turn out for our working bee at the end of April with members ranging in age from as young as Taine Lonsdale at 11yrs old getting down and dirty in the creek, to the more mature Board members and of course me being the token 'office lady'. Many of you would have seen the photos on display of our hard workers on the main notice board but I feel it is important to recognise all who made the efforts to come out on a cold Saturday morning to improve the look of the course. These members included: Gary Herbert, Mark Smith, John Bunn, Richard Sewell, Mark Cropper, Mark Dickson, Richard Goodacre, Jimmy Maguire, Craig Tiriana, John Dunlop, Ross Fowler, Tony Mansfield, Ian Hayes, Ken Allen, Mike Fiskin, Graeme Lockwood, Brent Frew, Brian Lonsdale, Taine Lonsdale, Angela Teasdale & Shane Cole. We also would like to thank Ken Smith, Ray and Robin Howarth, Jim and Carol Robinson who are regularly out there doing their bit on the course to keep it looking wonderful. THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR HELPERS, the course is looking better than ever and it is partly due to your help.

You may have also noticed that bollards have been placed along the driveway, which were kindly donated to the club from Top Timber, this is to keep vandals and their vehicles off the course. Special Thanks to Richard Sewell who came in to help Shane do this, your ongoing contribution to the club is much appreciated!

THE SGC HAS RECENTLY RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING VERY KIND DONATIONS:

\$1500 donation by our Patrons Brian and Veronica Moore, thank you very much and a happy belated birthday to Veronica who celebrated her 90th birthday recently.

Ross Fowler from Plus4 Insurance solutions has kindly paid for the repairs to our greens mower

Don McCarrison from Bay Decorators has kindly donated the funds to pay for the fertiliser for our fairways

John & Angela Bunn from AJ's Emporium have kindly donated the funds to provide new flags, poles and cups for the course, they look great!

The Eagles Golfing Societies have kindly given \$250 to help towards equipment for our Junior holiday program

PENNANTS – CONGRATS AND PENNANTS DAY!

A HUGE congratulations to our Intermediate Pennants team who made it through to the finals this year, we were all eagerly awaiting the scores from the day. It was an extremely close call with Springfield being beaten at the last minute, congratulations to the Intermediate Pennants Team for making it to the final. Our other teams all played well throughout the competition and represented the Springfield Golf Club with pride, despite not making it to the finals. Thank you to all of our representative players and support members for being the face of Springfield and representing our club. We will be having a **Pennants and Club Challenge day on the 30th June** (immediately after our Working bee and sausage sizzle). Tee off time is 12pm and we encourage everyone who is not already in a Pennants team to get together and register a team of 6 players to go head to head with our Pennants teams. There will be an entry fee of \$5 per person and the format will be a combined group stableford, 4 best scores win. See the office for entry forms, this will be a fun day so make sure you register soon!



HAVING YOUR SAY

In order to be able to ensure that we are providing services to the expectations of our loyal members, we are looking for you to provide us with your feedback regarding all aspects of the club. This can be done by completing a short survey form at the office or completing the one attached to this email and either faxing, emailing or posting it in. The Board and myself are committed to ensuring that moving forward the feedback from our members is used as a benchmark for our future direction. Your opinion is valued and we look forward to having as many members as possible have their say. All survey responses are encouraged to be in by the 31st July 2012 so that we can collate the responses and deliver our findings back to you.

MEMBER LOYALTY PROGRAM

Wouldn't it be great to be a part of a club that recognises and rewards its members for being loyal? Well now you are a part of that club! The SGC is proud to announce our "Member Loyalty Program" commencing from June 12th 2012. As a member of the SGC you are now entitled to more than just your golf membership. All you have to do is mention your SGC membership number to the following businesses and you will get a discount off their services:



Show your SGC card to receive **10% off** any works done including ranch slider repairs, broken windows, window maintenance, Insurance work, splash backs & cat doors. **Ph 3485644** or email paul@paulsglass.co.nz **24 HOUR SERVICE/FREE QUOTES**



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Receive **15% off** the total bill when you dine at Urbano bistro and mention you are a member of SGC. Cafe by day, restaurant by night! **Ph: 3493770**

If you would like to be a part of the member loyalty program please contact the office. We also would like to encourage you all to support our sponsors of the club, they are:



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WANT TO REDUCE YOUR MEMBERSHIP SUBS BY 50%?

How would you like to save 50% off your membership subs next year? That's right you didn't read incorrectly, the SGC are offering our loyal members the opportunity to receive a 50% discount off your membership fees next time you come up for renewal! Too good to be true? Well we believe that you are worth it. As a loyal member you now have the opportunity to SAVE money and be rewarded when you refer someone who joins the club. So what is the fine print?

1. **You bring along a friend or family member to the SGC who joins on the same membership type as you or higher (in dollar value).**
2. **When it comes time for you to renew your membership with us, you will receive a 50% discount off your subs.**

For example if you are on a 9 hole membership paying \$520 per year, then all you have to do is refer someone on a membership option paying **\$520 or more** and you will pay **ONLY \$260** when it is time to renew! It's that easy. This promotion will be running from now until the end of this year so invite your friends, family, colleagues, acquaintances or whoever to come along and join! For more information or to obtain a referral form, please contact Angela in the office.

SGC OPEN DAY – SUNDAY 1ST JULY 2012

We will be holding an Open Day at the club on Sunday 1st July 2012 from 10.30am. There will be \$0 charge for green fees to friends or family of members on this day. You will need to register your friend or family member at the office to receive your complimentary green fee voucher. All visitors on the day will also go in the draw to win 1 of 5 Green fee booklets (10 in a booklet valued at \$300). PLUS All new members who join on the day will also go in the draw to win their membership for FREE for the whole year (valued at up to \$925).

This is a perfect opportunity for you to introduce your friends and family to the club and encourage more people to get involved in golf as a sport, plus you can be rewarded too. We are looking for people to help us promote this Open Day to the public, so if you can display flyers in your place of business, posters on staff noticeboards or come in to the office to help us call local schools, businesses and other organisations please come and let us know.

PROFESSIONALS - MCDOWELL REAL ESTATE LTD CLUB OFFER

Did you know that if you list and sell your home with McDowell Real Estate they will donate \$500 to the SGC? John Taylor on behalf of McDowell Real Estate has generously organised this great deal for the club so that when you sell your home, the club benefits! Plus you get the advantage of dealing with one of Rotorua's most established and professional brands. For further information or to arrange an appraisal of your home please contact either **John Taylor on 3497774 or Sue Baker on 3497783.**



Don McCarrison (Chairman) receiving our first cheque of \$500 from Sue Baker, Thanks for your support!

\$10 GREEN FEE'S ON MONDAY'S

Starting from the 1st June the SGC have introduced \$10 green fees on a Monday. As this is one of our quieter days of the week we are hoping that this will provide the opportunity for local residents and visitors who want to get out there and have a go at an affordable price! We will be promoting this on the radio in the coming months so keep an ear out and spread the word!

SATURDAY SOCIALITES

Kicking off on **June 23rd at 1.30pm** the SGC will be starting a Saturday Socialites group which is aimed at encouraging social and beginner golfers of all ages and levels. This is an opportunity for the not so serious or skilled golfers to get together and play a round of 9 holes in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. This is an opportunity for the SGC to encourage a more diverse range of golfers to our club, who knows we may even run a "Socialites" tournament later in the year if the interest is there! For bookings please contact the office or pro shop.

WIN A TOYOTA COROLLA WORTH \$30,000 AT THE SGC OPEN DAY

Rotorua Toyota proud sponsors of the Springfield Golf club have **kindly donated a brand new Toyota Corolla valued at \$30,000** to give away in a "shoot out hole in one" competition on our Open day. The competition qualifier will kick off early on Sunday morning 1st July 12 on the 16th Tee where everyone can have a go at hitting their ball into one of two circles placed on the 16th Green. The first 50 balls that land inside the designated circles will qualify for the "shoot out" round to be held on the 16th Tee commencing at 3pm that afternoon. The first hole in one wins the car! The competition qualifier will be from the yellow tees so all ages and levels are in with a chance. Come along and try your luck!

Thinking of buying a new reliable car, go along and see the friendly team at Rotorua Toyota and mention you are a member of the SGC. Proud sponsors of the Springfield Golf Club.

SGC RECREATION CENTRE

We are exploring the possibility of installing a gym/recreational centre into the change room areas of the club to better utilise the facilities and to broaden our network of members. This diversification will allow us to offer another service to our community which also compliments our current golf membership as well as introduce another form of revenue to the club. Members will be given first priority of the limited memberships on offer and at an affordable add on price to your golf membership. We are looking for donations of suitable equipment to help us get this project off the ground such as cardio equipment, swiss balls, weights equipment, benches and so on. If you have any items or would like to make a donation please contact Angela in the office.

SUPERINTENDANTS SECTION

Firstly I would like to thank everyone for their warm well welcome to Springfield Golf Club and to Rotorua. As you all may or may not know Peter and Steve are no longer working here and we have replaced them with one full time apprentice Daniel Towgood from the Mahunga Golf Club. Daniel starts on Wednesday the 20th of June. He is a very enthusiastic young man who I think will really go far in the turf industry and will be an asset to the Springfield Golf Club. The greens have taken a little long than expected to recover from coring, but they are almost there and seem to be putting not too bad. The fairways were deep sliced 5 weeks ago now and the results of that has proven to be successful areas that were holding water for long periods of time are now not or the water holding is very minimal. The tees and fairways also were fertilised immediately after the slicing to help keep good grass cover through winter.

Machinery has been a major issue in the past few months. Due to poor maintenance in the past this has lead to some needing urgent replacement. We currently have funding applications in to various different charities for a new fairway mower and a new tees and surrounds mower . Fingers crossed!!!! Lastly I would like to Thank a few people for their continued help and support. Ken Towersey has been almost fulltime helping out with everything no matter what needs doing Ken has been on hand rearing to go I call him my 2ic. The knowledge he has of the course has been invaluable and I really don't know what I would do with out him. My thoughts are with Ken and his family at this time with Patricia's health not being the best. Richard Sewell also needs a special mention, if something needs doing he is straight into it. He can rally up a group of guys within two phone calls. I know Bob Watts Although a fulltime golfer now days is someone that's always waiting for that call.

Lastly a massive thanks to everyone who volunteers their time on the course it is a big help to me and the club and those who have attended the working bees so far also thank you. Good Golfing , Shane Cole

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Can you help with any of the following:

- organising and running fundraising events
- open day activities – July 1st 2012
- letter box drops
- Junior school holiday program
- general administration help in the office.

Our members are the lifeblood of the club and without your help we cannot move forward as easily. If you are willing to help in any of these areas please contact Angela in the office on 348 2748 or email admin@springfieldgolf.co.nz to get details on our upcoming strategy meeting. Have a wonderful June and happy golfing!!! For any information, feedback, comments or questions about the content of this Newsletter please contact

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“A bad day golfing is better than a good day working”