

WAIHI GOLF CLUB ANNUAL MEN V WOMEN CHALLENGE: was held on Sunday (1st) in dry, but cold windy conditions. The usual antagonism was evident prior to the commencement of play which was in teams of two men and two women playing match-play. After a tense wait in the clubrooms, it was announced that the women had prevailed this year with 4.5 matches to the men's 3.5. Myself as a member of the men's team I will not report too much more, except to say the female section of the field became very noisy.

TUESDAY NINE HOLE SECTION: After a very wet Monday which saw the cancellation of the Vets competition, the Nine Hole players enjoyed a relatively calm clear day for a nett hagggle. Played in two sections, in division 1, Margaret Meldrum and Jenni Mora were tied at the top with 33 points. Close second was John Twemlow with 34, while Val McLoughlin was next with 35. In division 2, Lynda Thomson had 33 points, with Anne-Louise Erceg having 35, and Christine Mercer 38.

WEDNESDAY LADIES: A slightly smaller field for the Ladies nett hagggle this week. Although it was a very mixed day with even some hail with the rain, the pesky wind was back. The winner was Wendy Matutinovich with a 72 nett, with Jill Morrison next with 74. Jacquie Bain and Kathy Ashton both had 77's. Wendy Matutinovich also took out the hidden hole with 6 points. The "Dreamers Player of the Week" was again Bev Ireland with a nett 67 this week.

HUME MONTHLY MEAT PACK TOURNAMENT was held on Thursday (28th) with over 60 starters, but the weather continued from the previous day with the whole gambit (sun, rain, hail, and wind). All the field preserved to the end apart from four players, The top gross score for the day was scored by Club President Daryll Denyer with a gross of 78, and the best nett was by Gyan Prole with a nett 69. The winning stableford was won by Pete Rowe who came out of his recent doldrums to register 39 points. For the remainder the scores were based on stableford, and in division 1, first was Nic Davies with 38 on a countback from Graeme Culton, and Scott Spicer on the same score. Wayne Brierley had 35 points. In division 2, Paul Morgan was first with 37 points, ahead of Rob Morrison with 36. Ken Bartels and Denise Morgan both had 35 points.

SATURDAY: The poor weather as experienced earlier in the week did not improve (probably worse) and prevented the Saturday Ladies and morning men's haggles being abandoned. The afternoon men's hagggle did proceed for just over 30 players, but the weather still threw a lot at them. Alex Standfield won a countback with Chris Spiers as they both had 36 points, just ahead of Earle White, and Craig Sandlant who tied with 35 points, and John Giffney with 34.

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