Waihi Golf Club Women's Shootout 2026

Shootout day dawned and was perfect weather for golf. Unfortunately, we didn't have a full field this year due to the date clashing for a couple of contestants. So, the shootout began on Hole 3. Jan explained how she wanted the ladies to report their net score to her and those closest to hole putt first we were away.

Hole 3. Jill was top qualifier so first to tee off followed by the rest of the nervous contenders. Michelle set up the first spot for the first chip off which was Catrina, Tamara, and Jane. Perhaps Catrina inexperience let her down and she was the first out.

Hole 4. This hole was pretty straight forward no chip off needed. Karen Diggelman was out.

Hole 5. Seven in the chip off on this hole. Bunkers came into play and we all know what they can do to a good score. So Tamara, Kaylene, Shoneen, Martine, Catherine C, Susan and Heather all chipped off with Tamara being the unlucky one here.

Hole 6. A misjudged 2nd shot on the par three saw Lorraine Morrison collect her envelope here.

Hole 7. This hole was played well by most people, but Denise M was out on this hole.

Hole 8. The tricky 8th saw two people in the chip off Rae and Shoneen. Shoneen collected her envelope.



Hole 9. Kaylene, Carol and Catherine chipped off here and sadly for last year's winner Kaylene was out.

Hole 10. A great long put from Carol here saved her and so Karen Roche was out.

Hole 11. Martine and Rae had a chip off here and saw Rae out but a good effort.

Hole 12. This hole was played well by everyone but went down to a chip off between Liz and Heather and Liz lack of experience against an old campaigner saw her out.

Hole 13. Carol got no shots on this hole and so her four wasn't good enough for her to carry on.

Hole14. All 6 golfers had to chip off on this hole and a tight chip with two balls needing a measure. Susan was out.

Hole 15. Jill had no shots on this hole but full credit she did attack the pin but went to big and couldn't get her par so she was out.

Hole 16. This is not Heathers favourite hole and it wouldn't be going forward. She missed a crucial put and was out.

Hole 17. Three players left going to the 17th Catherine, Jane and Martine. Catherine's drive wasn't up to her usual standard and wasn't long enough. A small error at this stage means Catherine was out.



Hole 18. Starting the 18th we have Jane and Martine. Jane had played steady all day and Martine had been a little erratic being in four chip offs. Jane's drive went right and Martine went down the middle. Janes second shot hit a branch so she was on for four, Martine had hit three good shots but was at the back of the green. Martine put ended close to the pin. Jane was putting for 5 but missed the putt. Martine holed out for a 5 and was declared the winner.

Claudia Diggelmann was present in the clubhouse to present her cup and the winning prize money to both players. We all enjoyed a celebratory drink and the nerves finally settled down. Talk started about next year. A huge thank you must go To Margie Fraser from Harcourts Waihi Beach for her sponsorship of this event. Also a huge thank you to Jan Robinson and Michelle Libby for their management of the event, Their encouragement and support was certainly felt by the players even if the chip off spots were a bit tricky.

