

A mostly fine week for Waihi golf after last weekend's rain

VETS Monday competition this week was the first round of four to decide this year's Nett Medal title. First out of the blocks and early leaders were three players, Tim Parish, Doug Ferguson, and Francis Gascoigne, all tied on nett 69. Next was Kerry Lewis with 70, while Allen Sarjant, Bill Tiffin, Norm Sanderson, and Alex Standfield all finished with nett 71, and then Gary Choat on 72.

TUESDAY NINE HOLE SECTION: played a stableford haggie which resulted in two ladies being tied for the top score. Nicola Pooley and Margaret Meldrum both scored very creditable 23 points, to finish ahead of Glen Bennett with 21, and Alison Turney on 20. Michelle Bonnici and Lynda Thomson both finished with 17 points.

WEDNESDAY LADIES: The competition of the day was Captain's choice, and consisted of various scores being recorded based on the par rating of the hole. It was played in teams of three, and the winning team was Jill Morrison, Karen Lee, and Jenny Gallagher with 84 points. Second were Helen Baynes, Liz Purcell, and Carol Leary with 82, with two teams tied for third on 81, they being Edna Connolly, Kathy Ashton, and Heather Watters, and Adrienne Lynch, Sarah Tomsett, and Denise McConnon. The "Dreamers Player of the Week" was Dot Ramsey with 67 nett.

HUMES MONTHLY MEAT PACK TOURNAMENT: A field of 64 players contested the March mixed meat pack tournament. The continuing good conditions realized some more good scoring. The best overall gross score was recorded by Allen Sarjant who had a gross 73, while the best nett was won by Mark Bryant with a very good 66 nett. The stableford winner was a tight contest with Craig Pooley winning with 37 points, on a countback with five others on the same score. The other prizes were awarded on stableford, and in Division One, Allen Smith, Eddie Evans, Brian Verryt, and Daryll Denyer all had 37 points, while Trevor Bush (Northland), and Terry Gerbich both had 36 points, In Division Two, Ken Purcell also had 37 points, with Tim Mathews (Paeroa) on 36. Next were Wayne Green, Chris Spiers, Vince Jones, and Doug Ferguson who all finished on 35 points.

EASTER SATURDAY LADIES: played a stableford haggie in fine but windy conditions. Winning with 37 points was Edna Connolly, with Carol Leary (returning from injury) second on 36. Next was Liz Hale with 35, and Shelly Lithgow 34. Megan Jowsey won the hidden hole with 8 points.

SATURDAY MEN: A smaller than usual morning field also had the wind to contend with, and Eddie Ruha handled it best with 38 points. Second was Jim Evans with 34, then Jim Powell and Grant Robson with 33.

There was a much larger field for the Afternoon Haggie with a number of visitors taking part. It was a battle for top honors with Logan Phillips, Wayne Green, and Chris Spiers all at the top of the field with 41 points. Next were Davis Morris (40), Craig Pooley (39), Alex Teesdale (38), Murray Fraser (37), with the next six players all on 35 points.

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