

Harcourts Women 2025 Shootout

The Harcourt's Women's shootout for 2025 was well supported by the women members with 23 originally entered but due to other commitments 3 player were unable to play.

This year the shootout pot was boosted by a generous sponsorship by Margie Mills from Harcourt's Waihi Beach.

Tee 1

The women all gathered just before 10am to follow the men's down the 1st. Unfortunately, Pam was the last to arrive and because suddenly the men had disappeared as they had gone to 2. Pam was nursing double golfer's elbows so wasn't completely comfortable. Nearly all the women's tee shots were straight so it was down the short game. Sadly Pam stayed long enough to get her envelope and then she was off home again.

Tee 2

Uncharacteristically Jill struggled to tame the right hand bunker on 2 and only got one shot on the hole which made her total net too much so she received an envelope for her trouble.

Tee 3

We were making good progress with time until Deadly from the men's shoot out landed in our fairway and we had to wait for him to play his shot onto the 5th Green which seemed to take forever.

This must have effected Denise M concentration and the text from hubby Paul to say he had gone out on his third hole didn't help. After a measure for the chip off Denise was homeward bound to console Paul.

Tee 4

The women hit some great shots onto this green and it was pretty even with eight women in the chip off. Michelle was reasonably kind and sadly Robyn's chip didn't make the grade or green if I remember correctly.

Tee 5

Some great tee shots were played by the women here and was down to a chip off between Catherine Blake and Shelly Lithgow. Shelly has been playing some great golf and her chip was the closer one and so it was farewell to Catherine Blake.

Tee 6

Shelly and Kaylene both landed in the bunker. Kaylene took two shots to get out and faced Catherine Campbell in a chip off. Kaylene survived but the pressure was getting to her now and she starting whining about needing a drink. We passed her the water bottle.

Tee 7

The two steady golfers Karen Rouché and Susan Mustard chipped off as they only had one shot here. Karen was the unlucky one.

Tee 8

Kaylenes ball landed under the lip of the bunker here and she decided to replay her ball from the tee. This was a decision only champions can make as she ended with a net 5. She had a nervous wait but poor Kathy just couldn't get her ball to stick on the green and after some toing and froing Kathy was out with an 8 on 8. Kaylene was relieved to survive and wanted the drinks cart. We thought it might affect her concentration so declined saying she would thank us later.

Tee 9

Lorraine Morrison had a bad shot up to the green and then three putted. Lorraine had been playing well but a lapse in concentration was her undoing.

Tee 10

There were four in the chip off here. Michelle set a tricky chip shot downhill and Megan Jowsy was out.

Tee 11

Susan Mustard was out after chip off.

Tee 12

Jane followed on 12 with her chip the only one past the hole but sadly not close enough.

Tee 13

Heather confessed she was exhausted and needed some pick me up. Tiredness was Heathers undoing here. Kaylene survived another chip off and Heather hoped in the cart her shootout over but a great effort.

Tee 14

Shelly had been hitting the ball like a pro but a mishit here saw her in the gully and it was difficult for her to recover.

Tee 15

These back holes were tricky for Carol as she didn't get any shots. She landed in the bunker and then 2 putted so it was down to a chip off with Rae Wright. Carol's chip was the better one and so she was off to the 16th and Raewyn collected her envelope.

Tee 16

Phillipa was out on 16.

Tee 17

Shoneen and Kaylene drives were down the middle but Carol was to the left. Her second shot was huge and was off the green to the right. Her chip up was too big and she landed on the slope in the rough. Carol having lost a shot on this hole overnight had a net 5 and that was the end of her shoot

out. Carol showed her class as one of our best women golfers with her low handicap and competitive spirit. I believe it was her birthday the next day.

Tee18

Kaylene second shot was amazing and she landed on the green below the hole. Shoneen was on the green for three but Kaylene sunk her second putt for a net 3 and was declared the winner. I knew she would thank us later. Shoneen was gracious in defeat having been a winner twice before.

Everyone was back to the clubhouse where our sponsor presented the winner and runner up prizes and Claudia Diggelman presented Kaylene with the Diggelman cup. Lots of fun was had by all and a massive thank you must go to Jan Robinson and Michelle Libby for running the competition.



