



February 2026 Newsletter

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Thanks to our Life Member, Annette Freeth who will be hitting the first ball of the season on Opening Day.

February on the course.

February

Tues	3 February 2026	Twilight
Wed	4 January 2026	Mixed 9-hole informal, Men's mid-week
Thurs	5 January 2026	Women's mid-week informal summer golf, 9.30am start
Fri	6 February 2026	<i>Waitangi Day.</i>
Sat	7 February 2026	Opening day - Yellow Ball teams event (drawn teams)
Tues	10 February 2026	Twilight
Wed	11 February 2026	Mixed 9-hole Opening Day, Men's mid-week
Thurs	12-February-2026	Women's mid-week Opening Day - 4BBB Nett
Fri	13-February-2026	<i>Canty Ladies Vets @ Amberley</i>
Sat	14 February 2026	Men: R1 Southen Memorial, Women: R1 Lois O'Neil Salver (stableford).
Mon	16 February 2026	Ladies 18 Hole (4s) interclub @ Amberley
Tues	17 February 2026	Twilight
Wed	18 February 2026	Mixed 9-hole, Men's midweek.
Thurs	19 February 2026	Women's mid-week. 1st round Grierson Cup (Match play on handicap)
Sat	21 February 2026	Men: R2 Southen Memorial, Women: R2 Lois O'Neil Salver (stableford)
Tues	24 February 2026	Twilight
Wed	25 February 2026	Mixed 9-hole, Men's midweek.
Thurs	26 February 2026	Women's mid-week - R1 Cotton and Parsons Trophies (stableford)
Sat	28 February 2026	Men: R3 Southen Memorial, Women: R3 Lois O'Neil Salver (stableford).

Committee News

Course Development Committee:

There will be some changes to Holes 2 and 17 in the next month. Hole 2 will have a bunker in to challenge the longer hitters. Hole 17 will have the small tree taken out in the front left corner of the green with a feature bunker going in. this will reduce root damage happening in the green. Some flaxes will be coming out as well to improve the view to the green from the tee and also flaxes to the right of the green.

Competitions Committee:

The Committee would like to thank all who had a part in the successful running of our Watering Tournament. So many played their part from course preparation, catering, contacting sponsors, and running the event on the day. THANK YOU to you all.

Our Ladies interclub team playing in the town competition are sitting in a good position after two rounds of play. They have had a half against Avondale at Templeton and this week they had a good win against Templeton at Christchurch, played in very hot conditions. Our Ladies playing in the North Zone will play their first round on 16 February.

Our mid-week Ladies Opening Day is on 12 February. We are playing a 4BBB, please have your name in by 9.30am and bring something for a shared lunch.

9 hole Opening Day is 11th Feb. We will be playing Ambrose. Please bring a plate for a shared lunch.

Saturday Competitions Opening Day is 7th Feb. The competitions is a teams event - drawn teams.

We are pleased to announce that Roger Hack is now our new Men's Vice club Captain. The programme and competitions book is out – get yours from the office on a club day or Sunday morning.

A reminder for men about Ringers that starts this week, see Roger Hack to register for this, cost is \$10 also shootout starts at the first Medal day in March, cost will be \$25 to enter.

Mens interclub starts 22nd Feb, teams to be organised in the next week or so.

Finance Committee:

Good green fee income in December. A wet January meant green fees will be down for this month

Fundraising – any ideas, can you help?

This year's capital investment – we have placed a priority on increasing cart storage capacity and cart availability. First step is the moving of water tank, which you will see underway. If you need or think you may need cart storage in the near future or know people who would join our club if we have more, please keep Laurie (027 432 1584) informed so we can move accurately plan capacity. We are also currently upgrading the Men's toilet area and finishing work done in the Women's room.

Sub invoices are out – don't forget they need to be paid by the 28th February or talk to our Treasurer about a payment arrangement.

Vacancy for Secretary.

It is with sadness that I tell you that Tahlia, our Secretary, has resigned. The pressure of being a busy working mum meant that the secretary position became too much of a pressure. We were lucky having Tahlia spread her sparkle for the last 3 months and thank her for her work and positivity. We are on the hunt for a replacement. Job sharing is an option. In the interim, Jannene will take on a Treasurer/Secretary role.

Help Needed

- Administration – there are several small administration tasks that you may be able to help our Secretary, Treasurer or Committee overall with - please contact Jannene (0274384820) or email amberleygolf.co.nz if you can help here.
- Bar Staff – Sandy and Laurie are looking for more people to go on a roster in the bar – 1 afternoon per 2 months, working alongside another, training provided. Contact Laurie (027 432 1584).
- Promotion and Events – are you able to help the Committee in this revenue increasing area (keeping subs down). Promotions, advertising, running events, membership drives etc. If you have an interest, we need your help. You don't need to do all, just tell us what you can do or bring us an idea and see it through.

Reciprocal Rights

Do you know that we have reciprocal rights to currently 3 courses the Marlborough Golf Club at Fairhall, Ellesmere Golf Club, and Queenspark Golf Club. We also have an arrangement with Rangiora if our course is closed.

Amberley All Stars

It is really important to acknowledge the people who work hard behind the scenes for our club.

- Julie Lucas (with help from husband Peter) has been planting, spreading mulch, removing old shrubs, and watering and tending plants since the October 2023 wind storm.
- Val Genet, Catherine Burrows and their team for the many catering jobs they do.
- Glen Smith has been running very successful Saturday raffles for several years now. Thanks to Roger Hack for taking this over.

Sponsors Spot

Rangiora Landscapes have continued to generously support our club by heavily subsidising the recent chipping work on the course. They manoeuvred their heavy machinery and trucks chipping and carting away our slash without doing any major damage to our course plus we're left with a good supply of mulch for our new plantings. They also provided another good prize at the Watering tournament. A company worth supporting when you need landscaping supplies.