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## **OCTOBER 2025 NEWSLETTER**

Presidents Pen - Good afternoon. As I write this message, it is once again raining. Last Saturday, I awoke to the steady sound of rain on the roof and the looming possibility that our scheduled golf would be cancelled. Fortunately, the weather cleared, allowing most of the Top Dog matches to be completed under unexpectedly dry conditions. Congratulations are extended to those who have advanced further in the competition. With the quarter finals approaching, the spirit of friendly rivalry has evolved into a more competitive atmosphere, though always conducted with fairness and respect. I would like to thank everyone who attended last Wednesday's Special General Meeting, as well as those who participated via proxy voting. While some expressed concern at the number of proxies submitted, I reiterated at the time that this system was implemented to ensure all members could have their say—and it did just that. The final vote was decisive, and even without the proxies, the outcome remained clear and convincing. I would also like to express my gratitude to the team responsible for completing the 18th Tee garden; it looks excellent. Further thanks go to those maintaining the gardens by the 12th and the pathways to the 2nd and 11th holes. Your efforts contribute significantly to the outstanding appearance of our course. On a calm, clear day, the course is truly a remarkable place to be. Congratulations to our pennant players, who reached the semifinals of the competition, but were unfortunately knocked out at that point. Your achievement reflects the high calibre of golf in Taranaki, and you should be proud to perform at such a level. Additionally, "She Loves Golf" has commenced to an enthusiastic response, commendations to the organisers for their initiative and dedication. Thank you for your attention. I wish everyone continued enjoyment on the course and hope for favourable weather in the days ahead.

<u>Coring Update</u> – Today's coring has been postponed indefinitely due to expert feedback, as most clubs in Taranaki have delayed until Autumn because it is too wet. Renovations are scheduled for Thursday this week. Holes will be punched into the surface (without removing cores) and backfilled with sand. This method suits the current moisture levels in the green and will benefit the approach to summer by improving irrigation penetration to the roots and providing aeration. The 59ers event remains cancelled this week. The app calendar mistakenly shows it as still on, but this glitch cannot be corrected

<u>She Loves Golf</u> – Interest in the She Love Golf series, which runs on a Wednesday evening, is already strong. Please assist in promoting this event to ensure it is both successful and enjoyable for all participants. For those who wish to volunteer or require further information, please contact Neryda Sullivan.

<u>Twilight Golf Season Is Fast Approaching</u> – Twilight golf starts Tuesday 21st October, with tee times from 3:30pm to 6:00pm. Te Ngutu Golf Club thanks Pak N Save Hawera for their support. See the poster at the newsletter's end for more info.

<u>Welcome To New Members</u> – During September we welcomed the below new members to Te Ngutu Golf Club.

Charlie Ainsworth – JNR	Kobe Brogden - JPLUS	Enrique Malacrida – FPM	David Mandengu – JPLUS
Charlie Ngeru – FMN	Tyran Wallace – FMN		

**Lost Property** – Members are encouraged to turn in any lost property so it can be returned to its owner. If you have misplaced something, please check with Robert, since items are usually stored in the shop. Currently, we are trying to locate two valuable pieces of equipment: Paul Johnston's trundler, which was left in the barn for collection but has not yet been returned, and Clive Porter's GPS, which went missing after being left on a cart. The GPS is clearly labelled with his name, making it easy to identify.

<u>September Golf Stats</u> – In September 2025, Te Ngutu members logged 504 rounds, down 18.2% from September 2025. Paul McLeod lead the way for the men with 13 cards followed by Richard Hall with 12. Neryda Sullivan and Erin Wilson lead the way for the ladies with 6 rounds each. The 3rd hole was toughest off the white tees (averaging 1.59 shots over par), while the 11th was easiest (0.76 over par). For ladies off the yellow tees, the hardest was the 3rd (2.55 over par) and the easiest was the 4th (1.40 over par).

Te Ngutu Golf Club Thanks The Te Hawera Community Board – Te Hawera Community Board recently granted Te Ngutu Golf Club \$1000 for green space planting by the 17th fairway. With member and board support, we've completed stage one of the project.



What's Coming Up At Te Ngutu Golf – Here is what you can look forward to ...

- Tuesday 21st October Twilight Golf Begins
- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October Friday Farmers
- Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November St Joseph's School 9 Hole Ambrose
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November Garden Festival Tournament
- Saturday 8th November Top Dog Calcutta
- Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November Open Christmas Hamper



## TWILIGHT GOLF

STARTS TUESDAY 21st OCTOBER - Tee Off From 3:30pm

Up to 6 players per team | Everyone welcome \$8 per player per night | Caterering available

Member and Team Draws every night, ask about our seasonal "Twilight Membership" for just \$200

TE NGUTU GOLF CLUB PRESENTS - TWILIGHT GOLF Contact Robert (0272712099) for more details.