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NOVEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

President's Pen - Greetings Golfers, It was encouraging to see such a strong turnout of 129 participants in our recent open hamper event. The weather conditions were favourable throughout the day, contributing greatly to a successful occasion. On that note, I would like to remind everyone that sunblock is available for use; please take advantage of it to prevent sunburn. Congratulations to all those who received prizes, whether through merit or via the raffle. We noted some impressive scores as well as others less so—I personally contributed to the latter category. This Saturday, we are scheduled to hold the finals for Top Dog, Under Dog, and the Leece Rosebowl. Additionally, the club organised a Calcutta for the event. While participation in bidding was below expectations, the activity proceeded smoothly and proved enjoyable for all involved. Best wishes to the successful bidders and commiserations to those who missed out. We also conducted a Reverse Draw Raffle on the same day, with Cam Roberts emerging as the winner. This initiative generated valuable funds for the club; sincere thanks go to the ticket sellers and especially to those who purchased tickets. Thanks, are also due to those who completed work around the 12th tee—the installation of bark and final planting have greatly improved the area's appearance. Excellent effort from all contributors. Our next priority is addressing the waterlogged area on the 2nd fairway. Matt Cleaver will begin this task soon, and we appreciate his commitment and thank all who will assist. Twilight has commenced, and despite initial washouts, player numbers are growing. It is positive to see golfers of varying abilities making use of the course now that weather conditions have improved. With the favourable climate, we have welcomed numerous players from other clubs; last Sunday's hamper included representatives from at least 13 different courses, which is commendable. Recently, guests from Mount Maunganui praised our course, especially the greens, and I received many compliments last Sunday as well. Wayne and your team—well done, and please continue your excellent work. Thank you for your attention. Enjoy your golf, and I look forward to seeing you on the course soon.

Save The Date – The Julie Cleaver Short Course Memorial Classic - A new event honouring the memory of Julie Cleaver is scheduled for Saturday, January 24th, 2026. This competition will feature a mass start from the Purple Tee's, with separate divisions for Men, Ladies, and Juniors. The trophy will be awarded to the participant achieving the highest stableford score across all divisions. Additional information will be provided as the event approaches. Please reserve this date in your calendar today.

Te Ngutu Golf Club Annual General Meeting – Please note that the Annual General Meeting will take place on Monday, 8th December at 7pm. Nominations for office are currently open and will close on 1st December at 7pm. Remits must be submitted by 29th November. As with last year, all AGM-related information will be available in the app.

<u>Volunteers Needed To Maintain Pathways</u> – We are looking for 2-3 volunteers to help maintain the edges along the pathways from the 1st green and 11th tee. To date the ladies have managed this but some assistance in this task would allow those ladies to focus on the gardens, please see Robert if you would like to help.

<u>Taranaki Golf Calendar of Events</u> – Taranaki Golf now offers a central online calendar for local golfing events. View it by clicking <u>here</u>.

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

Rebecca Barr – FPW	Ruby Barry – FPW	Emma Bunker – JP	Marissa Clough – FPW
Jenna Dombroski – FPW	Natasha Gillbanks – FPW	Sheri Hughes – FPW	Liam Malacrida – JP
Lucas Malacrida – JP	Charlie Ngeru – FPM	Sean White - FPM	

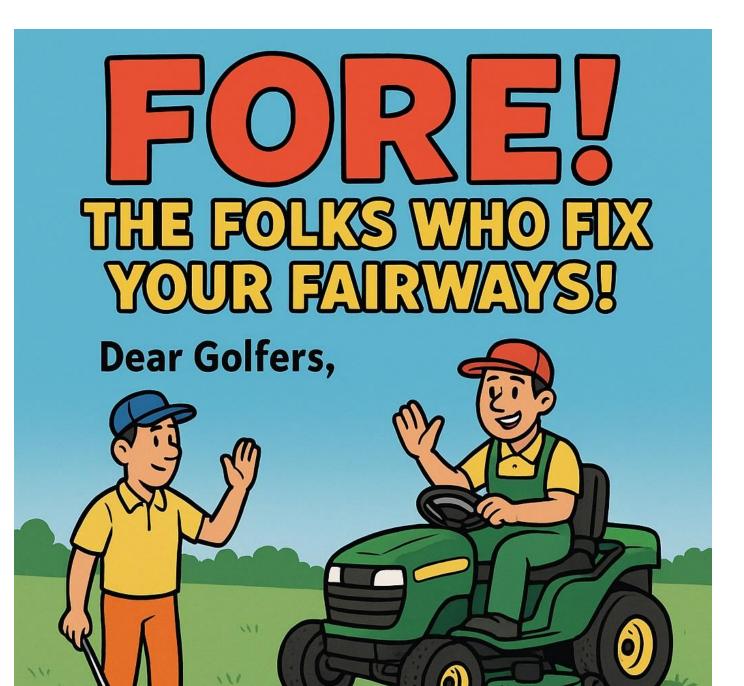
October Golf Stats – In October 2025, Te Ngutu members logged 584 rounds, this is an increase of 18.7% on October 2024. Clem Fowler lead the way for the men with 13 cards followed by Richard Hall with 12 and Damian Pinder with 11. Erin Wilson with 8 rounds lead the ladies for cards entered. The 3rd hole was toughest off the white tees (averaging 1.57 shots over par), while the 11th was easiest (0.63 over par). For ladies off the yellow tees, the hardest was the 3rd (2.72 over par) and the easiest was the 15th (1.38 over par).

<u>Congratulations Carol Kersten</u> – Carol recently represented Te Ngutu Golf Club at the Taranaki Champion of Champions event at Manukorihi. Carol won the Bronze 1 Division with the best gross score of the day.

Congratulations Divan Denton & Kaye-Maree Mihaljevich – Both Divan and Kaye-Maree have been selected to represent Taranaki at their respective interprovincial's between 2nd – 5th December, all the best to both players and the Taranaki teams.



Life in the Trap by Rick Newell NOT SURE WHO THIS EL NIÑO GUY WAS, BUT I'M SURE HE HATED GOLF!



IF YOU SEE STAFF OR VOLUNTEERS OUT ON THE COURSE...

- O DON'T AIM FOR THEM O DON'T DRIVE TOWARD
- **WAIT UNTIL THEY WAVE YOU THROUGH!**

THEY'RE THE HEROES KEEPING YOUR GREENS GREEN, YOUR BUNKERS BEAUTIFUL, AND YOUR FAIRWAYS FABULOUS.

SO PLEASE — GIVE THEM SPACE, A SMILE, AND A SAFE DISTANCE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND GOOD GOLF ETIQUETTE!



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. TE NGUTU GOLF CLUB

CLOSED HAMPER

SATURDAY 13th DECEMBER 2025



\$20 ENTRY FEE
PLAYERS REGISTER BY 9:00AM
9:30AM MASS START