



November 2014

Members of the Centenary Committee offer their condolences to Lynette Baker and her family for the loss of Gary on, ironically, the day before the commencement of the celebrations commemorating 100 years of Golf at Gate Pa.

Gary and Lynette have been staunch supporters of the Tauranga Golf Club since they arrived from Palmerston North in the late 1980's. Typically, they were keen to be part of the Centenary weekend and theirs was the first paid up registration form received in March of this year. Unfortunately, it wasn't to be as he passed away just before midnight on Thursday, 13th November.

Update on Centenary

From my perspective, it has been a privilege and pleasure to be involved with a Committee of dedicated, loyal and supportive group of people who worked together in the planning and delivery of the Centenary celebrations. I recall being told many years ago - when there is a job to do, ask a busy person to help; how true.....my special thanks go to :

Tony Breeds, Bruce Calderwood, Adrienne Coad, Keith Dawkins, Kathy Gregg, Alison Holdem, Jayne King, David Mowat and Phyll Sandlant; what a great team!

The Committee also acknowledges and thanks the following;

Ross Stanway, Club President who changed his out-of-town plans to be available on opening night, Friday 14th November.

Michael J. Smith, Club Captain, who did not hesitate when asked if he would be MC of proceedings.

Patsy Hankins, Guest Speaker, who flew back from visiting her sick mother in Australia on Thursday; joined us on Friday night and Saturday morning for golf then returned to Australia on Sunday.

Mike Nicholson, ex Member and Guest speaker who just happened to be in New Zealand the week prior for his daughter's wedding and therefore able to extend his holiday to include the Centenary celebrations.

Phil Tataurangi, Guest Speaker, who was unable to be with us any earlier than 5pm Saturday because of other commitments, then drove back to Auckland after dinner because he had another engagement on Sunday. (Did anyone else notice how much time he spent chatting to Jordan, Shania and Byron – how special for them).

Jane Thompson and her team in the Café – how lucky the Club is to have such high quality caterers on site.

Acknowledgements (cont'd):

Dave and Sharyn Cooke of Pukeko Print, avid supporters of anything related to the Club; in this instance, valuable assistance in the production and print of Pars from the Past.

Wayne Maunsell and Kevin Lowe who represented Mitre 10 Mega Tauranga; Kay Rogers from United Travel Bethlehem; and Sun Media – our very generous sponsors.

Ian Dawkins, who created and donated the beautifully turned bowls for prizes.

Annette Fitches, who made the equally beautiful Centenary Cake.

Julie Saunders, who donated the Palm Fronds as a potential fundraiser for the Centenary celebrations.

Jack, Jay and their team at Pro Drive, always smiling and helpful – and sometimes cheeky too!

The Firewood Gang; Noelene and the gardening team; Raewyn, the fundraising librarian, Committee support people such as Colleen Hope, Anne Partridge, Jane Church and Mary O'Hagan, and the Player Groups – all loyal and dedicated supporters of this special event.

Chris, Sam and Carl who spent many hours on the Golf Course pre the celebrations weekend, all for the benefit of you; shame the weather spoilt the party on Saturday afternoon but how fortunate it was only for a couple of hours.

Michelle – our friend and wearer of many hats; always smiling and helpful.

The Board of Management – your support and encouragement over the past twelve months has been most appreciated.

Photos

Adrienne Coad has done a wonderful job collecting, retrieving and collating old photos into albums.

She and Jayne King showed us their photographer skills during the weekend celebrations and have since had copies printed and added to the album collection. All albums are available in the Club-house for you to view. Copies of photos taken on both Friday and Saturday nights may be ordered for the cost of a gold coin donation.

Pars from the Past

Once again David Mowat must be congratulated for his book, Pars from the Past. If you wish to order a copy, complete the form in the Clubhouse or contact Michelle in the Club office; cost is \$49.

Tournament Results:

Congratulations must go to the afternoon players who battled their way through the torrential rain to complete their 18 holes. The first three placings of each division are listed below; full details are available on the Club website.

Men – Best Gross

Bruce Calderwood 73

Michael J Smith C/b Tony Reynish 74

Men – Best Stableford

Leo Jensen 47 pts (which included a 2 on the 10th!)

Micheal Cooney 43 pts

Greg Gamman 40 pts
C/b Jordan Cooke, Stephen Moffatt

Women – Best Gross

Anna Brabyn 80

Patsy Hankins 84

Kathy Abel 88

Women – Best Stableford

Jenni Calderwood 43 pts

Sandy Jordan 38 pts

Megan Freer – Drost 38 pts
C/b Nicky Doyle, Jo Dawkins

Women – 9 Hole Stableford

Wendy Hill 21 pts

Meg Murray 20 pts

Marion Guy 19 pts
C/b Anne Urquart, Julie Ryan,
and Gail Dumbleton

Junior Golf Fundraiser

As you are aware, Paul Gartner organised a Closest to the Pin competition on Hole No 4 as a fundraiser for Junior Golf. The amount raised was \$250.

Winners on the day were Margaret Azariah, Tony Breeds and John Ward. The final amount was boosted by \$50 as Tony kindly donated 50% on receipt of his winnings.

Mystery Prize Draws x 2

Once again, many thanks to Kay Rogers of United Travel Bethlehem for the 2 x travel vouchers to the value of \$500 each. Congratulations to the lucky winners – Bill Kennedy (ex-member) and Sandie Jordan.

Finally, the Centenary Committee thanks you who registered, participated, reminisced, laughed and joked, shared a memory or two of those special golf shots – good and bad !.....it was an emotional time for many, including two of our guest speakers, but what a lovely 100 year celebration party it was.

Yours sincerely,

Jackie McDonald
Chairperson
Centenary Committee