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Presidents Pen - Hello to all members young and old, it's time for the club's monthly newsletter which we hope keeps you informed on our clubs matters and what's happening on and around the course. We're only a couple of weeks away from our annual '100 Club" tournament, all planning is in place, course looks great (even in these dry times) food and drink is organised, courtesy van will be waiting, and entertainment has been locked in. All that is needed is for ticket holders to come along, play well, and you'll be given a great prize. Me – if you've seen my scoring of late, tickets to the beach holiday will be on my agenda. Out on the course, obviously it's dry and we're getting issues with both the rough and fairway grass. We did get some rain the other day, but nowhere near enough to turn things around. Speaking of grass, we were successful the other week with one of our grant applications, we received \$30,000, which is great news for the club, and we thank the Pelorus Trust very much for this support. But unfortunately, that is not even half of the cost of a mower. As an indication to you all – a new rough mower is approx. \$150,000. I mentioned last month that I was going to meet with a local designer and get a concept for the proposed golf simulator and its placement. I'm happy to say that we've had a meeting, a concept has been forwarded to the committee, and accepted, we're now waiting for a price to get plans and once this is accepted, we'll get some concept drawings on the notice board to show all of you our thoughts and then see if we can get, you're approval to go further. We're starting to get into the tail end of summer now and in the next month we have big ambrose fixtures coming up. This Friday see's the Matapu School Ambrose, which is well supported, and next month we'll have the Coast Guard Ambrose and Community Police Volunteers. These tournaments and others that are on the calendar are important to us as fundraisers and we hope that all our members support as many of these events as possible – remember the rough mower at \$150,000, it all helps.

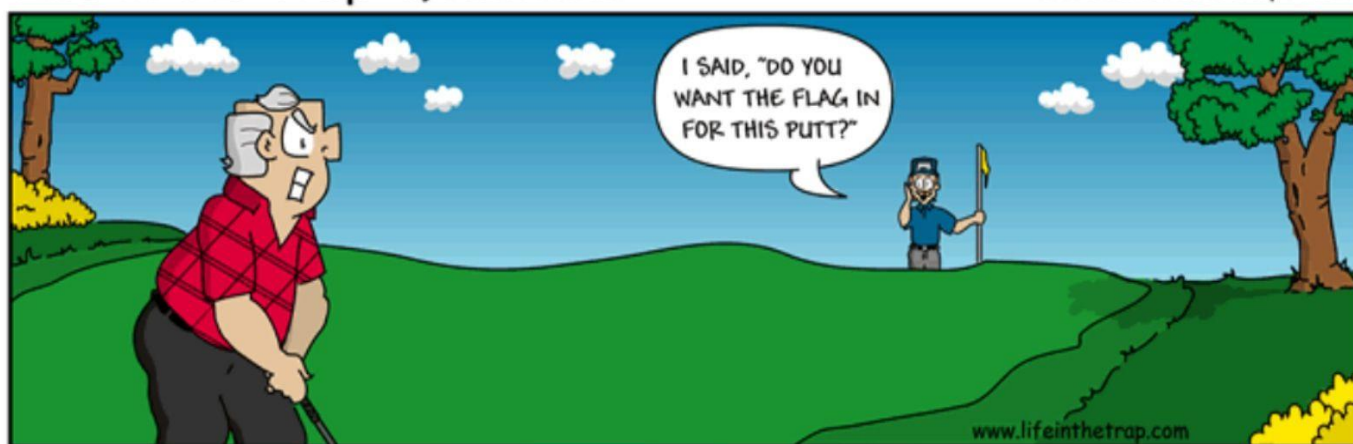
An Update on The February Special General Meeting – This meeting was held on Saturday 10th in the clubrooms. It was our first meeting in which proxy voting was allowed, I'm pleased to report the process to manage these votes went very well and puts us in a good position going forward. Onto the meeting which was to discuss changing the playing year to match the financial year. This was accepted meaning that our playing year will now end on September 30th rather than the last day of February. A reminder that the invoices that are going out are for only a 7-month period to get this new playing season lined up.

Te Ngutu Golf Club Is Here For Good – Working with the community for the betterment of our community is one of Te Ngutu Golf Club's 5 Pillars. The executive committee is so proud of the upcoming tournaments we are hosting that will benefit members of our communities. Te Ngutu Golf Club works with these community partners to ensure the day is as successful as possible, we are truly pleased to be able to offer our facilities for these great causes, if you can support them as well it would be truly appreciated.

- Friday 1st March – Matapu School Fundraiser (**SELL OUT**)
- Saturday 9th March – Lions Tournament
- Sunday 24th March – Hawera Community Police Volunteers Fundraiser
- Friday 5th April – Coastguard Tournament
- Friday 12th April – Taranaki Golf Junior Golf Fundraiser

Life in the Trap by Rick Newell

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Expressions of Interest for Euchre Nights – Please see Robert if you would be interested in kicking off a euchre night in the clubrooms. If the numbers warrant it then we will give it a go. Which night, and format will all depend on those keen to play so let me know your thoughts next time you see me.

Te Ngutu Golf Club App Users Hit 280 – I am pleased to report that in just a few short months the total number of app users has already hit 280. The feedback has been overwhelmingly positive to date. That does not mean things can't be better. If you could spare us 5 minutes to complete [this survey](#) it would be greatly appreciated.

Welcome To New Members – During February we have welcomed the following new members to the course.

- Ray Wishnowsky – Full Playing Man
- Peter Signal – Full Playing Man
- Sharmaine Signal – 9 Hole Ladies
- Tim Reid – Full Playing Man
- Ian Harrowfield – Full Playing Man