

PICTON GOLF CLUB

February 2023 Newsletter

Our 2023 season was officially opened last weekend by our Patron Ronnie Jones. Thank you Ronnie.

The Men's Competition is in full swing with the Women having their official opening to their season, on Tuesday 21st February. Let's hope the weather is kind for them.

Our first combined competition (Men and Women) is on next Saturday, (**Feb 18th**) the Holloway Plate for women and the Holloway Cup for men. This is an 18 hole Stableford competition. Tee off will be at 11.30am and we are hoping for a good field. It is very important for members to support these events. Without interest, the club's fabric will be lost. Please support as many events as you can.

I am thrilled to let you all know that we have a new "EAGLE" in our club. Jo Prescott, the Women's Convenor, was nominated for membership to the Eagles Golf Society and she has accepted. Not only has Jo given so much to the Picton Club but she has been a member at the following golf clubs: Greymouth, Waitikiri, Burnham, Papakura and Greendale. She has held the following Club positions at these clubs:

Greymouth - Women's committee, club secretary, club captain (all 1 year).

Burham - Women's committee for 2 years

Greendale - Women's committee for 2 years. Club Secretary/Treasurer for 4 1/2 years

Picton - Women's Convenor - 2 years and currently

Playing experience: NZ Marilyn Smith Wedge Junior U21 best nett 73,

U21 NZ National Competition Tournaments - Tasman Rep- Inter Provincials 1975 and 1976.

Golf Marlborough Committee Member

Tasman Women's Selector 2021 to current

Took junior coaching at Greendale.

Congratulations Jo. Thoroughly deserved.

Our long term cleaner, Simone Thomson, has resigned. We are urgently looking for someone to fill her place: 6 hours a week (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) If anyone knows of someone who would be interested, please contact me as soon as possible.

Lastly I would like to pass on some comments about our course. This week a Greenkeeper from another club was playing with a mate as greenfee players. They commented that Picton had the best 9 hole course in NZ. We know it is fabulous but it is great to hear it from visitors. Many, many thanks to our wonderful volunteers who take pride in the Picton course.

Happy golfing in 2023.

Jenny Hart (President)