

## NOMADS GOLF CLUB (NZ) INC

### President's and Club Captain's Report 2019

We have pleasure in reporting on the Club's activities for the year ended 30th June 2019, our twenty-second year since inception.

#### 1. Membership

During the period we inducted 7 new members and recorded 7 resignations (5 resignations and 2 exclusions). While disappointing to lose these members the resignations had legitimate current reasons for no longer being able to be members and we look forward to their possible return when opportunities improve in the years ahead – the exclusions were necessary for the continued non payment of subs due, We have a further three approved members waiting to be inducted.

An analysis of our membership, with comparative figures for the past four years, is as follows:

	<b>June 2019</b>	<b>June 2018</b>	<b>June 2017</b>	<b>June 2016</b>
Life Members	3	3	3	3
Honorary Members	2	2	2	2
Affiliate Members	5	2	2	3
Ordinary Members	103	106	115	110
	113	113	122	118

#### . 2. Playing Day Competitions

For the July 2018 to June 2019 period we were able to play all the 12 scheduled playing days which is no mean feat given some of the weather being experienced.

Playing Day numbers continue to grow with the average playing day number for the July 2018 / June 2019 period being 62 - this was up on the previous periods 57 average playing day number which is most satisfactory. Also, once again we hosted a strong number of guests throughout the year and this has resulted in some now becoming Nomads. We also only had to make one change from those courses we had played in the previous 12-month period

One of the highlights of our Playing Day calendar was the annual Braggers challenge, which was once again held at the Gulf Harbour course in very windy conditions. After last year's triumph Nomads were quite confident of a repeat performance however the strong winds and slick greens did not suit our team and we ended up losing by 10½ to 14½. This challenge has now been going for 10 years and the current score is Braggers 6½ Nomads 3½. We are forever hopeful 2020 will be Nomads' year!

December 2018 again saw the holding of our annual Gold Cup Day at the North Shore Golf Club. The size of the field of 65 players was a vast improvement on the previous year and there were 22 qualifiers for the Gold Cup in the field. This year the Gold Cup went to Russ Maloney with a staggering 45 points Well done Russ. Vern Pere was the runner-up for the Gold Cup.

In the 3 monthly rolling Trophy Competitions Stephen Chung was unbeatable taking home the Captains Trophy, the Vice Captains Trophy and the Presidents Cup. Well done Stephen you played extremely consistent golf all year

The Roy Best Memorial Singles Knockout Competition and the John O'Sullivan Memorial Combined Pairs Competition matches have continued to enjoy strong support from members. with 53 members entering the Singles and 31 teams entering the Pairs competitions we thank all members who participated. Our congratulations go to the 2018 competition winners, these being George Deeb & Hein Erasmus in the pair's competition and Phil Stickland with a win in the singles competition.

Gold Cup day has again been scheduled at the North Shore Golf Club in December 2019. The 2020 Charity Day in March has also again been scheduled at the Titirangi Golf Club thanks to the sponsorship and support of Golf Warehouse.

### **3. Away Tours**

#### **Queenstown Tour**

Always one of the highlights of our Nomads calendar, this year's tour was held from the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> of February 2019. 48 fortunate Nomads (including 2 honorary Aussie Dingo's) enjoyed 4 superb days of golf on the courses of Arrowtown, The Hills, Jacks Point and Millbrook. The weather behaved with warm day temperatures and light winds (except for a rather stiff breeze at Jacks Point)

In the team's tournament Will Selles captained the Internationals and Billy the Kid the Kiwis. First day of the tour belonged to the Internationals but the Kiwis roared back into action on the second day and managed to have the match all square going into the Singles matches at Jacks Point on Day 3. In the Singles matches the Internationals proved far too strong and for the first time in 5 years the Internationals emerged the overall winners 27 ½ matches to 20 ½ matches well done Will and your Internationals

In the individual scoring each day brought new "winners" and new "chumps" and so going into the fourth and final day at Millbrook the leader board for the individual scores was pretty tight. In the end Mark Van Den Anker came through as the overall winner with 138 points. He was followed by Pat O'Connell, Vern Pere and David Allan

Nomads is very lucky to have 2 superb organisers in Ken Buck and Reno Wijnstok for our Queenstown Tour. Ken and Reno thanks once again for doing a great job. The tour this year contributed \$4,320 to this years' charity funds (2018: \$5,327)

#### **Mid Year Tour to the Central North Island**

Our Autumn tour this year was held from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> of May. 36 Nomads and 2 guests made the tour and enjoyed some great golf and absolutely beautiful benign weather.

The Kinloch course at Taupo provided a challenging first days golf with 4 players top scoring with 37 points. It was then onto Napier and to the Quest Apartments. Day 2 of the tour was played at the Hastings golf course. A very well groomed course Hastings provided a slightly easier course than Kinloch and 43 points was the top score.

Always a highlight, Cape Kidnappers on Day 3 provided a very testing golf course, superb views and great weather- 37 points was the top score. Going into the 4<sup>th</sup> and final day 8 players were in with a great chance of being top dog.

After an early morning drive back up to Taupo and to the Wairakei International Course with its stunning splash of autumn colours. Gavin Meyer emerged from the pack as the Tour Champion-scoring 141 points. 3 others followed on 140 points. Rob Rich a newbie Nomad took out the wooden spoon-great going Rob

Firstly a huge thanks goes to Will Owen for being the Tour Coordinator and Transport provider. Also, thanks to the van drivers who got everyone there and back in one piece, and lastly thanks to Craig Joynt for being the daily and cumulative Haggler and Scorekeeper

2020 will again see us back in Queenstown in February and a trip to the winterless north sometime in May

#### **4. Charity**

##### **Charity Day - Friday 22 March 2019**

Our Charity Day, was once again held at the Titirangi Golf Club. Paul Lash, our new Vice Captain was in charge of all Charity Day proceedings.

We had a reasonable turnout of 96 players (60 of whom were Nomads and 36 guests, including six women). The weather behaved and the course, as always, was a challenge with 37 points being the best stableford score.

Golf was followed by a three course plated meal and our Charity Day formal proceedings with Paul Lash our MC. This year Nomads made donations to two Charities. The first was to the Unicorn Foundation which received a new sign-written Suzuki Baleno. The second was to Love Soup which received a sign-written Nissan NV200 Van. Representatives of both charities were at our evening and were presented with keys to the donated vehicles.

Our auctioneer, Wilson Pollock, had a little difficulty getting those present to open their wallets but with perseverance all auction items were sold. Wilson, thank you once again for your efforts and to those who donated auction items and those who successfully bid, many thanks.

Our Charity Day concluded with the drawing of the prizes for our Annual Raffle. To those of you who donated raffle prizes, a very big thank you and in particular the Golf Warehouse which once again donated a full set of XX10 Golf Clubs as our raffle's first prize. John de Latour once again stepped up to the mark with the organizing of the raffle ticket sales, a thankless task but John, well done! Also, thanks go to all of you who bought raffle tickets.

Paul Lash, to you and your Charity Sub-Committee of Vern Pere, Peter Griffiths, Bobby Schoonraad, Peter Cotton, Craig Joynt, John de Latour and Brian Fleming, well done for a job we know needs lots of effort and organisation.

Finally, our Charity Day success would not be achieved without the support of Eric, Rhys and the partners of the Golf Warehouse. This is the fifth year that Golf Warehouse has donated one of their Corporate dates at Titirangi to Nomads. Thanks once again.

##### **New Zealand Secondary Schools Competition Sponsorship**

Held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September 2018 at the Palmerston North Golf Club, Nomads once again made a donation of \$5,000 to support this tournament. McLeans College was the winner of the tournament with Jimmy Zheng the top player shooting a course record of 12 under par 60 in the afternoon round.

## **Support of Junior Golf**

Nomads continued its support of Junior Golf by making financial donations to selected junior golf programmes at clubs where we held our monthly playing days. A total \$1,870 was donated to this cause during the year

## **5. Twenty Year Celebration**

On Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> of October 2018 an evening was held at the North Shore Golf Club to celebrate Nomads' 20 years in New Zealand. For those Nomads (and their partners) who attended, a very enjoyable evening was experienced. Jeff Meltzer was our MC and Ian Braddock our speaker. Ian, as a Founding and Life member of Nomads gave a great insight into the Clubs history, the events and activities we undertake and the charities we have supported. Thank you to all those that came and supported the evening.

## **6. Financial**

Our accompanying audited financial statements for the 12 month period ended 30 June 2019 reflect a total deficit for the year of \$28,845 (2018: Surplus \$4,168).

Funding of selected charities was again the focus of the club during the year, and with the available accumulated charity funds a conscious effort was made to contribute more of our accumulated charitable funds to selected charities, and a total of \$45,082 (Nett of GST) was donated during the year as follows:

Unicorn Foundation	(Suzuki Baleno)	\$20 345
Love Soup	(Nissan NV200)	\$17 617
Totara Hospice	(I. Scandrett)	\$ 250
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Despite the above donations and commitments, the club recorded a charity fund deficit of only \$9,820 for the period in review.

The deficit in the administrative and general fund was primarily as a result of the subsidised costs of the 20<sup>th</sup> celebration function and the issue of the new playing shirts and formal new white shirts (replacing the previous blue shirts).

Continued playing day deficits are being addressed by the committee with the primary objective that playing days need to achieve break even without being subsidised by general or other funds

Net assets at the close of the financial period were \$52,377, down by \$28,845 reflecting the increase in charitable donations and playing day and general funds deficits for the year in line with the operating result.

The treasurer's report details a further summary of the playing days, charity and administrative divisions of the club funds.

To all Nomads members, a special word of thanks for their contributions made during the year, our thanks for your efforts and support in making our 2018/19 year such a successful one in regards to the funds that we raised for all the Charities and the organisations that we supported.

## 7. Website

The Dot Golf website continues to work well for us especially in the organisation of our monthly Playing Days. Our thanks to Vern Pere for his continuing work in the role of Webmaster for the club.

## 8. Acknowledgements

Your Committee for the past year consisted of:

*Executive Committee:*

Tony Clephane	President (Ex officio)
Vern Pere	Club Captain & Webmaster
Paul Lash	Vice Captain
Brian Fleming	Treasurer & Secretary

*Committee:*

Bobby Schoonraad (Membership)  
Mike McKenna (Tour Coordinator)  
John de Latour (Administrator)  
Peter Cotton  
Peter Griffiths  
David Allan

Our thanks to all Committee members for their work on behalf of the Club and some special thanks goes to Fred Hawke who during the year stepped down as our Administrator. Fred you did an outstanding job. John de Latour all the best in filling Fred's shoes

Thanks also to all those members who during the year have assisted with monthly registration duties, fines sessions, selling beer raffle tickets, scoring, other playing day duties and the arrangements relating to tours.

Again, we acknowledge and thank our host clubs particularly those who have supported us with discounted green fees during the year.

Nomads have enjoyed another successful year during the 2018/19 period and we look forward to the coming year with enthusiasm and confidence.

**Tony Clephane**  
**President**

**Vern Pere**  
**Club Captain**

11<sup>th</sup> September 2019