

Delegates Meeting

43rd Clubs New Zealand Pen Hawkins Mens Pair Golf Tournament

Invercargill Working Mens Club Tuesday 5th March 2024 at 7.30pm

Present: Chairman and delegates from the following clubs: Otorohanga, Hornby, Quota, Papakura, Onehunga, Oxford, St Johns, Tokoroa Cosmopolitan, Kamo, South Waiarapa, Rangiora, Kaiapoi, Invercargill, Waitara and Northland.

Welcome: Norm Wilson introduced himself as the President of the Invercargill Working Mens Club and was standing in for the Otago/Southland delegate for Clubs New Zealand.

There were no apologies.

Norm asked everyone to stand and observe a moments silence for those we have lost during the last year.

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 7th March 2023 were read. They were confirmed as a true and correct record.

Moved: Onehunga Seconded: St Johns Carried

Matters arising: Nil.

Future tournament:

South Waiarapa made available flyers for next years tournament and advised they were also on the Clubs New Zealand website.

The South Island clubs were asked if there was any interest in hosting this tournament in 2026. After a lot of discussion including holding it 2 years in a row in the North Island, it was suggested an email go to all South Island Clubs and if after two months no one had taken it up then any club from the North Island could apply.

Remit:

A remit had been received for the following motion: Participants handicaps are limited to a maximum playing handicap of 30. The reason being under the new Handicap system a player can no longer increase their handicap by more than 5 shots in a year which has stopped the major farming of their handicap. Also, as the age of golfers in this tournament are getting older and fields are getting smaller this increase will allow more members to play thus increasing tournament numbers.

This was moved by Rangiora and seconded by Oxford.

After robust discussion this remit was voted on and defeated 8 votes to 7. Maximum handicaps to remain at 24.

General business:

Onehunga asked about the transport fee. IWMC courtesy coach only runs on Thursday – Sunday and is manned by volunteers. The transport provided by the section was \$10.00 per person, included in that price was collection from and to the airport, and running around all week between Golf Club, IWMC, accommodation and anywhere else within the Invercargill boundary.

The tournament convenor allowed players the chance to sign their card by chasing them up if forgotten when in other tournaments would have meant being disqualified. This was a judgement call that was done especially with players coming in cold, wet and just wanting to get warm.

Tokoroa Cosmopolitan Club asked why handicaps were frozen as of Saturday 2nd March. Unfortunately, Queens Park do not have automated cards, and all had to be handwritten. For the cards to be ready for the tournament that was the date decided.

Meeting closed 8.10pm