

## Mahunga Golf Club Report

From Kevin May

Last Saturday saw the club hold its opening day for the 2009 season. The competition was a stableford one, but there was also a teams competition, with the best three scores of the four on each hole being added together.

In the team's competition, the winning team was the one led by Darryl Coley, and included Geoff Peck, Ray Loader and Jean Bayly. Their winning score was 147 points, and was ten points more than their closest challengers.

In the individual stableford competition, Graeme Dick headed the first group with 44 points, with both Niusila Faaiuso and Darryl Coley on 43 points. The middle group saw Kevin May lead with 46 points, from Ray Loader on 44 and Bill Leahy on 43 points. But the day's best score came in the third group, with Angelique Parkes returning 51 points to be comfortably ahead of Jean Bayly on 45 and Phillip Granich on 42 points.

The Solway Pie Shop nearest to the pin went to Doug Leach, Meki Lauvi took the Mitre 10 one on the third, Graeme Dick the McAuley's Transport one on the sixth, Anita Karaitiana the Solway Butchery one on the eighth hole, Phil Fergusson the Alister Bruce Affordable Sheds one on the tenth and Kevin May the Dinah and Deb Keats Professionals Real Estate one on the seventeenth hole.

Holes in two were scored by Isaac Lauvi, who also took the men's long drive on the eleventh hole, Noeline Stevenson, Niusila Faaiuso, Graeme Dick and Kevin May, who scored two of them. The ladies long drive went to Anita Karaitiana.

Sunday's competition was a medal round. Mark Logan took the honours with a 66 nett, from Patrick Rimene and Kevin Hunter on 68 netts, with Bruce Herangi and Brian Chappell both finishing on 69 nett. Holes in two were scored by Mark Logan, Shane Stewart and Kieran Dougherty.

On Tuesday, the veterans played in a bisque Par competition, which always bring out some big scores, and this was no different. The best of the ladies was Sue Ratapu with a score of 13 up, which was one better than Daphne Jordan, Jean Bayly and Betty Loader.

In the men's first group, both Steve Doherty and Peter Campbell finished on 11 up, with Fred Brittain the next best on 9 up. The second group saw Errol Turley and Gordon Campbell share the honours on 10 up, with Ian Gemmill in third place on 9 up.

The ladies nearest to the pin on the third hole went to Jean Bayly and Janet Campbell on the sixth hole, while both of the men's ones on the sixth and seventh holes went to Meki Lauvi. Holes in two were scored by Meki Lauvi (on the par 4 seventh), Ken Luke and Jean Bayly.

Next Tuesday, the veterans group will be playing in a stableford round.

This coming weekend has the men playing the second and third rounds of their Malmo Stableford competition on Saturday and Sunday, while the ladies will be playing the first round of the Francis Stableford and Combined Committee Stableford competitions on Saturday.