



2020 Te Marua Masters Open Tournament  
and  
WGI Order of Merit Season Opener



Competition Conditions and Course Information

Reference to **The Rules** herein means

“The R&A and USGA RULES of GOLF effective 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019”.

- Competitions, all in handicap divisions (see below), are:
  - 72-hole Gross & Nett and daily Stableford
  - Novelty prizes (Long Drive, Nearest the Pin etc) over all 4 days plus Day 4 only
  - Maximum of one prize per eligible player, except for novelty prizes

Failure to play out a hole will make player ineligible for GROSS and NETT competitions (i.e. No “pickups” or “ringers” and no “gimmies”)

- All participants must hold an authorised handicap index being:  
A current 18-hole Handicap Index viewable on the N.Z.G.A. “DotGolf” website or certified by a Match Committee representative from his / her home Golf Club.
    - The R1 Handicap Index will apply to all 4 competition days
    - The Tournament Committee has the discretion to review and if appropriate, reduce the handicap index of any player. Any such amendment will be applied to all Competition days.
  - The Handicap divisions, based on Handicap **Index**, are (inclusive):
    - Men Senior Up to 10.0 Intermediate 10.1 – 15.7 Junior 15.8 – 28.9
    - Women Silver Up to 19.4 Bronze 19.5 – 40.9
  - For nearest the pin and long drive competitions, the ball must be at rest on “the green” or “own fairway” – “own fairway” is the closely mown area of the hole being played
  - Tied Results
    - A tied result in the 72-hole Gross event in any division will be resolved through a hole-by-hole playoff, beginning on Hole #14 then #18, then #14 and so on, until a winner is found.
    - Should the need arise, all other competitions will be decided on handicap count-back as calculated by the DotGolf system.
  - All play starts from #1 Tee
  - Men play the **Blue** course, Women play the **Yellow** course
  - Slow play must be avoided – 1 round of 18-holes is estimated to take 3.75 – 4.0 hrs.  
Excessive slow play may be penalised under Rule 5.6
- Tips: - For a ball which may be lost **outside** a Penalty Area, either play a provisional ball or declare your intention to invoke the TMGC Local Rule for Ball Lost or Out of Bounds*
- *Within the bounds of safety and courtesy, adopt a **play when ready** approach because Order of Play has no formal relevance in this tournament which is a Strokeplay event*
  - *Play your own shot before searching for another player’s ball.*
  - *On completion of a hole, leave the Green promptly and mark your scorecard at the next Tee*

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- Suspension and resumption of play due to a dangerous or unplayable situation – See Rule 5.7
- Playing Groups – minimum of 3 players per group – If players withdraw from the event between rounds, playing groups may be re-arranged by Tournament Management Committee
- Local Rules - see noticeboard for revisions / additions to Local Rules printed on the scorecard
- Practice on The Course on Tournament days is prohibited. The designated practice areas are:
  - The Practice fairway, which starts down by the Yellow Course 10<sup>th</sup> Tee, and runs between #10 and #18 fairways (delimited by the tree-lines)
  - Putting Green and separate chipping green outside the Club shop
  - Practice nets behind/beside the cart shed and grassed area adjacent to #1 tee
  - The Bunker and Practice Green located between the 18<sup>th</sup> Green & 14<sup>th</sup> Fairway.  
Chipping to this green to be from within 10 - 15m of the edge of the green, or from beyond the 90m marker between the trees near the main entrance to Te Marua Golf Club.

### **Practice on the course may result in disqualification**

## Player's Responsibilities

Each player is required to abide by ALL the Rules of Golf and to ensure

- Putts must NOT be given – the ball must be 'holed' on every hole
- The correct score for each hole is entered clearly on the scorecard (record a pick-up as X )
- The correct Course Handicap is shown on the scorecard
- The scorecard is Dated and Signed by both the Player and the Marker
- The completed scorecard is returned to the Club Shop on the day the round is played, at the earliest possible time after the round is complete

**NOTE:** Return of an incorrect / incomplete scorecard may result in disqualification. Failure to return a card on the day of the round is played will incur a 2-stroke penalty on the late scorecard.

- **REQUEST:** Please endeavour to record the hole-by-hole gross score of all other players in your group so that if there are any disputes over posted scores the group's scorecards can be used for verification purposes.

Any disputes on The Rules or Handicaps must, in the first instance, be registered with the Tournament Committee who will, if necessary, refer the issue to the Disputes Committee for a decision under The Rules. The ruling issued by the Disputes Committee is final.

## Course Information

This course includes several areas of 'rough' where a ball may be easily lost (e.g. the areas inside but alongside the boundary fence of #8, grove of small trees between #11 and #17 fairways.)

If your ball may be lost in these or similar areas, please play a provisional ball or declare your intention to invoke the Local Rule for Ball lost or Out of Bounds

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