

Whale Watch Kaikoura Cancer Society Charity Golf Tournament

The Whale Watch Kaikoura Cancer Society Charity Golf Tournament was held on Saturday at the Kaikoura Golf Course and what an incredible day it was!

A stunning Kaikoura day really set the scene and the BBQ provided by Eddie Eaton and the Golf Club and cooked by the Cancer Society Volunteer Support Group provided scrummy sustenance for the players before they teed off at 11am.

Huge thanks to the following:

Toni Batey for rounding up all the participants, providing the teams briefing, keeping them all on time for their tee offs, and then of course collating the results at the end of the day (only made a little trickier with a couple of teams who forgot to include their team name!! But we had fine detective skills to find them!!).

Rebecca, Tania, Abba and Bob for working hard on the raffle table, with 400 raffle tickets sold the girls were on fire, thank you everyone who supported the raffle. Congrats to all the winners with prizes supplied by New World Kaikoura, Middlehurst Station Farm Store and RD Petroleum. The wee 'Gator' ride on was put to good use as Rebecca and Tania kept the participants refreshed while out on the course – thanks team!

The Kaikoura Golf Course & Committee for once again providing such a stunning and professional course for our tournament. Allan and Brad were kept very busy in the bar and kitchen, turning out in demand food and beverages. Their support leading up to and during the day of the tournament has been fantastic – the day flowed so well, right into the evening with prizegiving and the auction. Thank you both so much!

To all the grounds keeping staff and volunteers – the course was 'mint!' Thank you for all your hard work on producing a professional and quality course for the tournament, and for Tony getting up super early on Saturday morning to mow the greens – AWESOME!

To all the participants – WOW! We had 31 teams on Saturday competing – from locals to not so local – but all totally there for a great day of golf. You made the day with your enthusiasm, support, camaraderie, competition on course and off (especially at the auction) – it was all just brilliant.

To our sponsorship family – THANK YOU SO MUCH! We could not do what we do without your continued support – it is so important and we are so grateful.

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Our Tee Sponsors: Emporium Brewing, Power Farming, Kaikoura Waste Services, Mudgway Trailers, Chrissie & Dave Mackie, Encounter Kaikoura, Kaikoura Health Centre, Kaikoura Livestock, North Canterbury Energy Centre, John Diver Electrical, Glenburn Coastal Retreat, Donegal House, South Pacific Helicopters.

All the Donors and Suppliers of prizes and auction items: Clearwater Golf Resort, Drummond & Etheridge Kaikoura, Emporium Brewing, Farmlands Kaikoura, ITM Kaikoura, Middlehurst Station Farm Store, New World Kaikoura, Niven Wright, North Canterbury Energy Centre, Peter Harvey, Pegasus Golf & Sports Club, RD Petroleum, Seamist Fishing Charters, Whale Watch Kaikoura.

To Alan (Huck) and Karin – for all the work you did in bringing this event together. The countless hours, phone calls and conversations has seen you create another awesome event, raising crucial funds for

the Cancer Society. We are so grateful for everything you have done, your friendship means so much and you should be incredibly proud of what you have achieved.

Congratulations to all the winners – the teams, the raffle winners and the successful auction bidders.

Team placings:

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| 1 st | North Canterbury Energy Centre | Thora Lawson, JP Roberts, Steven Horton |
| 2 nd | Power Farming | Jimmy Leigh Jordan Warren Brad Fisher |
| 3 rd | Team Eggers | Peter Eggers James Eggers Tony Pupich |
| 4 th | Fords 'n' Steel | Ben Ford Mel Ford Jeremy Steel |
| 5 th | Diver Electrical | John McDonald John Diver Mark Ingham |
| 6 th | Buschl's Team | Nick Buschl Aaron Reid Luke O'Connor |
| 7 th | Red Barons | Steve Gordon John Flynn Craig Ladner |
| 8 th | Donegal House | Mark Harnett Ruth Dowlman Andy Russell |
| 9 th | Team Harris | Kerry Harris Ashton Stocker Eric Baynton |
| 10 th | BGK | Geoff Harmon Kevin Genet Barrie Graham |
| 11 th | Kaikoura Livestock | Liam Harnett Geoff Pacey Rod Goodman |
| 12 th | Hughes 'n' Team | Rick Hughes Chris Cuff Jason Wilson |
| 13 th | Mudgware Misfits | Alan Hickey Judy Hickey Dallas Cleall |
| 14 th | The Pin Hunters | Callum Forward Sam McGusty Michael Sloane |
| 15 th | Hey Dude Where's My Par | Tony Guthrie Avrill Burrows Joseph Cox |
| 16 th | 3 Blokes in a Scramble | Nick Broomfield James Skurr Logan Robinson |
| 17 th | Glenburn Coastal Retreat | Richard Howard Rod Ensor Doug Lawson |
| 18 th | The Tryers | Craig Smith Phil Smith Kevin Heays |

We are so stoked to announce that the total amount raised from the tournament is **\$14,551.00**. This is a fantastic amount of funds that will go to the Canterbury Cancer Centre, providing invaluable accommodation for cancer patients when they travel to Christchurch for cancer treatment and appointments. THANK YOU!

Again, thank you one and all for your support and contribution to this fundraising event for the Cancer Society.

It was a tee-rific day!

Cheers,

Tiff, Alan (Huck) and Karin