

Wellington Golf Incorporated

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WELLINGTON TEAMS TO PLAY AUCKLAND ANNOUNCED

Convener of Selectors John Spraggs has named the Wellington Representative Team, Senior Men, U19 Men and Senior Women, to play Auckland at the Taupo Golf Club's centennial course on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th August.

Following on from the successful match against Manawatu/Wanganui, a clean sweep across all four teams (Men, U19 Men, Masters Men and Women), and after wins against Canterbury, Hawkes Bay and Marlborough, the representative season is now in full swing.

"The long standing Auckland match is seen as a significant step in terms of the makeup of the various season ending National Interprovincial teams and a key indicator (being a 3 day away trip) as to a player's suitability to be a team member travelling for an extended period"

Spraggs said that the August-September period represents an important portion of the Rep season, with this match followed by the Miramar 36 Hole Open, the Wellington 72 Hole Strokeplay and teams to be selected for the Shand Cup, Sybil Green Trophy, Masters Quadrangular, National Interprovincial Boys and Girls teams - opportunities for players both within the team and on the cusp of selection, to push their cases.

The Senior Men's team is lead out by Eisenhower bound Kerry Mountcastle, captained by Jonno Cane and features Jayden Ford, fresh from his 3rd placing at the Junior Open in St Andrews.

The U19 Men's side, according to Spraggs, is the team his selection panel have found the most challenging to choose given the number of players contesting spots. A strong looking side is lead and captained by Jack Clout and contains in form U19 players Sam Marsters and Thomas Woods and the well performed Harry Allardyce, unbeaten since his debut a year ago at this level.

The Women's team has a slightly different look to it for this match, the province's leading player missing (Darae Chung away with the NZ Junior team), and Caitlin Hildyard and Mia Scrimgeour earning their first opportunities at this level. Captained by Anita Harkerss, a strong challenge awaits against the powerful National Champion Auckland side.

The match begins with foursome games on Saturday morning, followed by singles on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning.

Senior Men

Kerry Mountcsatle Masterton
Jonathan Cane (C) Manor Park
Elton Nicholson Boulcott's Farm
Jordan Loof Royal Wellington
Jayden Ford Judgeford

7. Cam Elers Paraparaumu Beach

Shandon

8. Adam Church Judgeford

6. Jonny Dittmer

Nigel Hillier Manager



U19 Men

Jack Clout (C) Boulcott's Farm
Thomas Woods Miramar
Sam Marsters Miramar
Trey Shedlock Titahi Bay
Harry Allardyce Shandon

6. Harry Ward Paraparaumu Beach

Carmen Blackler Manager

Senior Women

Erika Cui Boulcott's Farm
Anita Harkerss (C) Shandon
Caitlin Hildyard Manor Park
Mia Scrimgeour Manor Park

Sue Shin Manager

Unavailable – Dan Hillier, Darae Chung, Gabrielle Palado Injured – Andrew Drummond, Shontalia William