

## Apata Triple Pairs tournament 2017

There was a near-capacity field for the Apata Triple Pairs tournament played on October 7/8, very generously sponsored by Apata Group Limited, Primor Produce Limited, Expol (Terry Mischefski), PGG Wrightson Real Estate (Mike and Wendy Matutinovich and Niria Gerbich), Prodrive golf (Tauranga) and Avoco. As in 2016, adverse weather prior to the tournament made course preparation difficult for the greens staff, and although this year the weather for the first day's Canadian Foursomes followed by 18 holes Scottish Foursomes was relatively calm and cloudy, there was relentless heavy rain and wind on the second day for the fourball best ball competition that put bunkers out of play, and made playing conditions a feat of endurance rather than pleasure, and a miracle that the greens were playable.

TOTAL NETT SCORES OVER TWO DAYS—Winners Mike and Wendy Matutinovich 200 nett. Runners up: Alex Teesdale and Charles Gurr 201.

OVERALL PRIZEWINNERS IN DIVISIONS—**Mixed:** Phil Trevenen and Jenny Tubman 204; Daryl Denyer and Shoneen Dunning 204 (c/b); Phil Caldwell and Denise Hird 205; Murray Fraser and Sharon Deacon 206; Jason Baldwin and Carol Leary 209; Brian and Jan Robinson 210; Eddie and Mavis Bruce 210 (c/b); Andy and Karen Roche 211; Ted and Maureen Murray 212. **Men**—Colin and Gary Dunning 202; Richard Tiddy and Stuart Yardley 204; Steve and Wade Parker 205; Mike Rose and Alistair Cochrane 207; Steve Cutfield and Graeme O'Dwyer 209; Maurice Joyce and Alan Sarjant 209 (c/b); Tim Parish and Jock Stronach 211; John Newton and Pete Rowe 212; Glen Ross and Frank Van Hattum 214 ; Ben and Barry Mills 214 (c/b); Eddie Evans and Dave Campbell 215; Allan Nicholls and David Hughes 215 (c/b).

DAILY MEATPACK PRIZES: DAY 1 CANADIAN FOURSOMES—**Mixed:** winners Mike and Wendy Matutinovich 59 nett. Runners up Wade and Helen Hunkin 63. **Men:** winners Alan Sarjant and Maurice Joyce 63. Runners up Richard Tiddy and Stuart Yardley 64.

SCOTTISH FOURSOMES—**Mixed:** winners Eddie and Mavis Bruce 66. Runners up: Phil Caldwell and Denise Hird 67. **Men:** Winners Graeme O'Dwyer and Steve Cutfield 67. Runners up Steve and Wade Parker 68.

DAY 2 FOURBALL BEST BALL—**Mixed:** Winners Murray Fraser and Sharon Deacon 65. Runners up: Bill Newland and Desley Rosevear 66.

**Men:** Winners Alex Teesdale and Charles Gurr 60. Runners-up Gary and Colin Dunning 60 (c/b).

TWOS—DAY 1 FOURSOMES: Charles Gurr and Alex Teasedale, Ian Duncalf and Bruce Mackenzie, Mike and Wendy Matutinovich, Phil Caldwell and Denise Hird, Daryl Denyer and Shoneen Dunning, Michael Connor and Justine O'Connell, Ron Campbell and Ricki Crichton, John Newton and Pete Rowe, Eddie Evans and Dave Campbell, Murray Fraser and Sharon Deacon, Colin and Gary Dunning x2, Scott and Elliott Carroll.

The Hole-in-One sponsored by Expol (Terry Mischefski) was not achieved.

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