

Australia New Zealand Golf Announces New Email Newsletter

In the near future, Australia New Zealand Golf will be sending email newsletters on a periodic basis to all those individuals who have at one time or another traveled with us, or who have inquired about our trips and tournaments. The purpose of the newsletter will be to inform everyone of new developments on the golfing scene in both New Zealand & Australia, and to apprise people of upcoming tournaments, travel specials, unique sightseeing and other items of interest.

To see future issues of this email newsletter, you can either email us at anzg.golfaustralianewzealand.com to have your name included on our email list or periodically visit our website where the newsletter will be posted.

Fabulous New Course Opens at Cape Kidnappers in New Zealand

January marked the opening of Julian Robertson's second course in New Zealand – Cape Kidnappers GC. Kauri Cliffs, the first Robertson course in New Zealand has been widely acclaimed, and is currently rated No 49 in the world by Golf Magazine. Initial reaction to Cape Kidnappers is that, while different in many respects from Kauri Cliffs, it may actually be the better track of the two.

The course is located near the edges of cliffs 500 feet above Hawkes Bay, providing absolutely breathtaking views of the Pacific Ocean at nearly every turn. The course is designed by Tom Doaks, who is a devotee of the master architects of the last century. He has shown in his design here that he favors greens without odd shapes or unfair mounding, generous fairways and deep and challenging bunkering. There are five sets of tees on every hole, allowing golfers to select a challenge that is appropriate for them.

While the lodge that will be built on the property is more than a year away from completion, there are some very attractive accommodations available in Napier, Hastings or Havelock North, making for an easy drive to the course. (Many consider Napier to be the Art Deco capital of the world, with

countless buildings in that style that are well maintained and available for inspection).

Qantas Pacifica Friendship Cup

The fifth biannual Pacifica Friendship Cup is scheduled for the South Island of New Zealand, March 4th – 13th, 2005. This tournament is a favorite amateur competition for players of all levels, with many folks coming back time after time to meet and compete with the friends they have met who live across the Pacific.

This tournament will be contested over two beautiful and challenging resort courses – Clearwater GC and Terrace Downs GC. We will be staying at the new and luxurious Clearwater Resort. (Clearwater recently hosted a very successful tournament on the Nationwide Tour).

If you would like to sign up to represent Team USA in our efforts to retain the Friendship Cup, or simply like additional information, call Dennis Huebschman, Australia New Zealand Golf, 1.800.622.6606.