# NZDG Annual Meeting Notes .. Held at the Spa Hotel Taupo 6:00pm July 3 2010

# In attendance: Bob Gentil, Toby Gentil, Juan Unda, Martin deHaas, Simon Feasey, Carson Thomas-Boon, Kiri Thomas-Boon, Damian Peters, Andrew Taylor, Karoline Jonsson, Daz Switilla, Sam Burke.

## Auckland Champs.

#### Bob received the email below regarding Auckland Champs in Monte Cecilia Park.

Hi Bob,

I met with our parks officers this morning to discuss your proposal to hold the Auckland Disc Golf Champs at Monte Cecelia. I put forward your case that the proposal is for a one off event that requires a venue where a competition standard course can be set-up as opposed to the beginner/intermediate course that may be set-up on a permanent basis at Heron park.

The meeting was positive and once they understood the context, they were open to permitting the championship events at Monte Cecelia on a case by case basis.

The only issue however is that due to the works that have taken place at the site, a lot of the ground will be re-sown in the coming weeks, your proposed dates do not allow sufficient time for the grass to re-grow and become established so for this reason only they have asked if your competition dates could be pushed back to at least late **September (post 25/26)**, but preferably October or November? By that time the grass should be sufficiently established and hopefully the grounds more solid. If this can happen then Monte Cecelia is an option.

If moving the dates is not viable for you, there were suggestions made of other venues that may be good alternatives:

**Hamlin's Hill Regional Park:** Large open space in Mt Wellington, managed by ARC : <u>http://www.arc.govt.nz/parks/our-parks/parks-in-the-region/hamlins-hill-mutukaroa/</u> If you are interested, I can give you a contact at ARC to progress.

**Churchill Park, Glendowie:** Large park, plenty of on street parking available - about one third of the space is mown and gently rolling, the rest of the space has high grass and can be puggy in places as it is grazed by cattle. However it is a lovely large space and I would encourage you to take a look.

**Onetangi Recreation Reserve:** I understand there is a permanent disc golf course set up there already? Perhaps this could be extended with temporary infrastructure to create a suitable competition course?

It was decided that we would put it to members regarding putting the date back for the Auckland Champs in order to have them at Monte Cecilia Park. Although the idea seemed fine there may be players who have already booked flights for the weekend of Sept 11 & 12.

If we go ahead as planned then it was felt that Onepoto Reserve on the North Shore was a good championship course option.

#### First Light Bob Clark Memorial .. Gisborne. August 7 & 8.

Sadly since Bob passed away the local driving force has wavered so I have offered my services to Sport Gisborne and Destination East Cape to come over a couple of days prior to the event to run some workshops if they want to organize them .. if anybody else would like to join in you'd be more than welcome.

A commitment was shown by a few players that they would at least come and play the Memorial .. <u>www.discgolf.co.nz</u> will keep everyone up to play with what's happening, be good to support this one.

# NZDG 2011 Tour.

Did we decide last year to implement a 2 tier Tour event system? .. If so then the fact we did nothing about it in 2010 is probably to our advantage as we have a full years worth of events to look back on now to help make the A Tier / B tier decision and maybe implement it for the 2011 Tour.

If you want to run an event on the tour for 2011 then start thinking about it now. It would be good to get our 2011 tour dates settled sooner rather than later. Especially for NZDG Nationals as to run them properly takes some time and organization.

Do we have any club or organization keen to run host our 2011 NZDG National Championship?

It was decided that we will introduce a 2 or 3 tier system for the 2011 NZDG tour and ratings would be judged on 2010 events. Bob will send a recommendation to the DG committee for next years events and discussions will start from there.

#### TD's commitment's

A reminder was made to TD's that there are commitments that must be carried out when running a NZDG sanctioned event. If help is needed just ask!

NZDG Team for Australian DG Championships in Perth October 23 & 24.

Gentil Sport is keen to sponsor team shirts so we need sizes please. Confirmed players as of 03/07/10 are Bob Gentil Pete Boyle Blair Joines Cheri Blackburn [Non playing] Nigel Hailstone Simon Feasey Mario Cerniar

Mail from Chris Finn .. TD for Australian Champs in October. Bob had asked him for some details re Australian Championships in October . There was still nothing on their site.

Hey mate, we have our AGM for PDGC this Saturday also, the finalisation of info will be completed Saturday and Website updated following few days.

**Feldberg is confirmed, Nate Doss and Valerie are confirmed,** Manibu and Kaysura and Mayu from Japan are tentative. 3 Koreans tentative. Jussi Meresma has put out info to some of the European players and i will be in contact with Jussi next week to see how they are going.

Dave Dunipace and his missus have also emailed me since Japan and are keen to come. Most of the big name Americans are also keen to stop in NZ, I will be talking more with them in the following weeks.

The website was supposed to be done while i was away but unfortunately i wasn't here to push them!

Feldberg will be running some coaching clinics for players, maybe charging \$20 per player to attend also, will discuss this with him further, we have a full week at secondary schools throughout Perth, so this is to be confirmed.

We are currently completing our Event Grant which means player entries will go to players purse, first time in OZ if this goes through which will mean a players purse of at least \$6000 to be split as per PDGA tables.

Sorry about the website but it will be up soon. Chris Finn

So format will be roughly this.

Monday to Thursday – Feldberg will be running some coaching clinics in Perth Schools and YMCA.

Friday will be a day for Internationals to be shuttled to the Wildlife park in the AM which has a disc golf course also. <u>www.themaze.com.au</u>

Friday lunch will be a players coaching clinic for a fee for a 2 hour clinic with Feldberg(Approx \$20 each)

Friday Afternoon a 9 holes Doubles Tournament in Cockman Park Greenwood Course Friday PM, players dinner/AGM for ADG

Saturday (Players random order) 18 holes, lunch, (players by division and score)18 holes players party

Sunday (Players by division and score) 18 holes, 9 holes semi, 9 holes final 4.

Presentations, Players Windup Party Sunday PM.

Entry Fee for Open players will be \$100 AUS.

Players packs will consist of a few things, t-shirt, discs, caddy books, whatever else we can jam in there we are hoping to make up some caps or seats but time will be our only constraint.

Players purse will be governed by entries and donations, up to \$2000 in the Purse to be split down to position 5, at this stage we are not sure what final split will be, if Grants are issued, sponsored money will go to purse.

I am absolutely keen so is a few others for the Anzac Cup.

The following mail from Chris arrived after the meeting.. The continued plan thus far.

MON 18/10 – Rottnest Day Trip TBC TUE – Wildlife Park tbc WED- Course Practise Course B, Coaching Clinic with David Feldberg PM \$10 per player TH - Anzac Cup Top 5 Players NZ versus AUS on Course A in the morning 18 holes, Coaching Clinic Dave Feldberg \$10 per player Afternoon FR – Australian Doubles Championships, ADG AGM SAT 23/10 – Aussie Champs, PLAYER DINNER SUN 24/10- Aussie Champs, WINDUP PARTY MON 25/10 - FREE DAY MAYBE LOCAL TOUR TBC TUE 26/10 – ROTTO DAY TRIP TBC

Group Accommodation rates have been organised at <u>www.sorrentobeach.com.au</u> they can accommodate up to 5 people in 2 bdr apartments, or 7 people in 3 bdr apartments. We will be putting together pricing and forms in the next week. This is by far the best accommodation in Perth for the beach experience and local attractions only 10 mins from main course, and at the best rate.

Bus Charter is being looked at for Airport transport and to and from daily events . Players and organisers windup party will be well organised like we used to do 15 years ago where all are involved in having a great windup post tournament pressures. If you want to have a laugh i will be posting some tourism links. If you have any immediate questions mate please don't hesitate to ask. Chris

#### Promotion of DG in NZ.

Some constructive emails have been doing the rounds. There should be some criteria for funding. Ie, public property or at least where anyone has access, there needs to be a level of local initiative. Etc.

A criteria document needs to be drawn up regarding who and how NZDG can support Disc Golf growth.

## **Nelson Disc Golf .. NZDG support**

Nelson Disc Golf have applied to NZDG for some support ..The local council have given them permission to install an 18 hole course in Isel Park. They have also had a grant from the Nelson Council for \$3000 and have obtained 6 baskets .. they have applied for assistance for more baskets. The rest of the course is objects still at this stage. Full details up soon at discgolf.co.nz

It was agreed NZDG would support the Isel Park course in Nelson and supply them with 2 more permanent baskets for their course.

# For the financial report or general business at the Disc Golf meeting.

NZFDA accounts for the Year Ending 31 December 2009 show that disc golf has \$14 154 which is supposed to be in the NZFDA bank accounts, as I understand.

The NZFDA bank accounts have \$12 384 in them.

That leaves a short fall of \$1770.

What has happened to this money?

# Paul Northwood

The NZDG and NZFDA Inc Treasurer Jenny Joynt is going to look into Paul's question and get back to the exec. .. and Paul.

# **General Business..**

# Missing chains.

It was decided that NZDG will pay for the 3 sets of chains stolen form the 2010 Crater event. Simon Feasey to supply.

# **Baskets for Rotorua.**

There are 12 of Simon's baskets permanently installed in the Redwoods available for all to play. Bob has been liaising with local players who are using the course regularly and they are keen to find some way to fund the course. It was felt that this course should be completed ASAP and a plan should be put together.

#### **NZDG Match Play**

It was suggested the top 16 field could be extended to the top 24 on the tour. The decision was made to stay with as it is at the moment but keep it under review.