The Bledisloe Cup

Golf Match | 2026



Program

Wallabies VS ALL BLACKS

ROYAL QUEENSLAND GOLF CLUB

Captain's Welcome

On behalf of Royal Queensland Golf Club, I would like to warmly welcome you to the 2026 Bledisloe Cup Golf Match. We are thrilled to have you join us for what promises to be an enjoyable few days of golf and rugby.

This year marks the 28th event held since its inception in 1997. Australia enjoyed 5 years of success from that date, but a dark and gloomy shade of black has prevailed since. With the Wallabies coming off a fantastic win over South Africa, there's plenty of optimism around Australian rugby at the moment, though I'm sure our Kiwi friends will be quick to remind us who the favourites are. Here's hoping for a cracking contest both on the rugby field and the golf course.

We hope everyone enjoys the banter and friendly competition. Please let me or the Club know if there's anything we can do to make your visit more enjoyable. Once again, I would like to sincerely thank you for joining us and wish you a warm welcome to RQ.

Jean-Marc Vidot
Captain

Competitions

BLEDISLOE CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winning Club | Best 5 Stableford Scores - Aggregate

TRANS-TASMAN TROPHY

Winning Country | Best 15 Stableford Scores - Aggregate

GT MEMORIAL JUG

Best Individual Stableford Score

GEOFFREY (FUSION) HARTIGAN TROPHY

Worst Individual Stableford Score



Bledisloe Golf Match Teams

ROYAL QUEENSLAND GOLF CLUB

Liam Ryan
Jean-Marc Vidot
Chris Smith
Frank Higginson
James Henderson
Jay Stevenson
Iain Ward
Tony Eaton

THE AUSTRALIAN GOLF CLUB

David Sekel
Glenn Thompson
Simon Scott
David Ferguson
Julian Sexton
Robert Renshall
Simon Schmidt
Michael Massey

CHRISTCHURCH GOLF CLUB

Bryan Andrews
Andrew Sloane
Marty Benge
Dermot Martin
Charles Whitwham
Pete Morrison
Stu Roberts
John Williamson

ROYAL AUCKLAND AND GRANGE GOLF CLUB

Rob Chemaly
Roger Sowman
Michael Collins
Peter Clarke
David Sawtell
David Somervaille
Andy Hamilton
Jonathan Reid

ROYAL SYDNEY GOLF CLUB

Ivan Haege
Michael O'Brien
Simon Skibsted
Tim Rankine
Andrew Rankine
John Wynyard
Peter James
Mark Sinclair

BARBARIANS

John Greenhalgh
Tony Lynch
Ivan Hodges
Ross Bishop
Rob Nixon
Tony Stephens
Jim Tucker (*Guest)*
Michael Blucher (*Guest)*

OTAGO GOLF CLUB

David Bloor
Richard McKnight
Francis Whitaker
Tom Abbott
Bruce Grant
Allen Griffiths
Vaughn Keenan
Warren Alcock

ROYAL WELLINGTON GOLF CLUB

Grant Macaskill
Brendan O'Donavan
Wayne Eagleson
Mark Thomson
Alan Dawson
Graeme Liddell
Marc Walker
Brett Krause

PROGRAMME

THURSDAY 15, OCTOBER

10:30am	Registration
From 11:00am	Practice Rounds Start

FRIDAY 16, OCTOBER

10:45am	Arrive at Club
11:00am	Lunch in the Clubhouse
12:30pm	Shotgun Start
5:30pm	Drinks in the Bar
6:15pm	Dinner Commences
	Formal Attire | Jacket & Tie

SATURDAY 17, OCTOBER

2:00pm	Arrive at Club
2:45pm	Kick Off
5:30pm	BBQ Dinner

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

Those attending the practice round on Thursday will have the option to leave their bag at Royal Queensland overnight, ahead of the competition on Friday. If you wish to do so, simply leave your bag with our team after the practice round.

For those who have requested a cart, a hire fee of $40 applies and is to be paid in the Golf Shop.

PAST WINNERS

BLEDISLOE CHALLENGE TROPHY

1997	Wellington
1998	Metropolitan
1999	Auckland
2000	Wellington
2001	The Australian
2002	Christchurch
2003	Royal Sydney
2004	Royal Wellington
2005	The Australian
2006	Auckland
2007	The Barbarians
2008	Auckland
2009	Royal Sydney
2010	Royal Sydney
2011	Royal Queensland
2012	Royal Sydney
2013	The Australian
2014	Metropolitan
2015	Royal Sydney
2016	Royal Auckland
2017	Royal Queensland
2018	Royal Queensland
2019	Royal Wellington
2020	Not Held
2021	Not Held
2022	Royal Sydney
2023	Royal Auckland & Grange
2024	The Australian
2025	Royal Auckland & Grange





BLEDISLOE CUP | PRACTICE ROUND - THURSDAY 15 OCTOBER

10TH TEE

TEE TIME	CLUB	PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	PLAYER 3	PLAYER 4
11.00 am	Christchurch	Andrews, Bryan	Sloane, Andrew	Whitwham, Charles	Roberts, Stuart
11.10 am	Christchurch	Martin, Dermot	Benge, Marty	Williamson, John	Morrison, Pete
11.20 am	Royal Sydney	Haege, Ivan	Skibsted, Simon	Rankine, Timothy	~
11.30 am	Royal Sydney	Rankine, Andrew	James, Peter	Wynyard, Christopher	Sinclair, Mark
11.40 am	Royal Wellington	Macaskill, Grant	O'Donavan, Brendan	Eagleson, Wayne	Thomson, Mark
11.50 am	Royal Wellington	Dawson, Alan	Liddell, Graeme	Walker, Marc	Krause, Brett
12.00 pm	Otago	McKnight, Richard	Whitaker, Francis	Abbott, Tom	Bloor, David
12.10 pm	Otago	Grant, Bruce	Griffiths, Allen	Keenan, Vaughen	Alcock, Warren
12.20 pm	The Australian	Scott, Simon	Ferguson, David	-	~
12.30 pm	The Australian	Schmidt, Simon	Renshall, Robert	Sexton, Julian	~
12.40 pm	Royal Auckland & Grange	Chemaly, Rob	Sowman, Roger	Collins, Michael	Clarke, Peter
12.50 pm	Royal Auckland & Grange	Sawtell, David	Somervaille, David	Hamilton, Andrew	Reid, Jonathan

2026 BLEDISLOE CUP DRAW - FRIDAY 16 OCTOBER

HOLE 1

TEE TIME	PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	PLAYER 3	PLAYER 4
12:30 pm	Bloor, David *Otago*	Andrews, Bryan *Christchurch*	Macaskill, Grant *Royal Wellington*	Tucker, Jim *Barbarians*
12:37 pm	Vidot, Jean-Marc *Royal Queensland*	Haege, Ivan *Royal Sydney*	Chemaly, Rob *Royal Auckland & Grange*	Sekel, David *The Australian*

HOLE 10

TEE TIME	PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	PLAYER 3	PLAYER 4
12:30 pm	McKnight, Richard *Otago*	Sloane, Andrew *Christchurch*	O'Donavan, Brendan *Royal Wellington*	Stephens, Tony *Barbarians*
12:37 pm	O'Brien, Michael *Royal Sydney*	Sowman, Roger *Royal Auckland & Grange*	Thompson, Glenn *The Australian*	Ryan, Liam *Royal Queensland*

HOLE 11

TEE TIME	PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	PLAYER 3	PLAYER 4
12:30 pm	Whitaker, Francis *Otago*	Benge, Marty *Christchurch*	Henderson, James *Royal Queensland*	Skibsted, Simon *Royal Sydney*

HOLE 12

TEE TIME	PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	PLAYER 3	PLAYER 4
12:30 pm	Collins, Michael *Royal Auckland & Grange*	Ferguson, David *The Australian*	Eagleson, Wayne *Royal Wellington*	Greenhalgh, John *Barbarians*

HOLE 13

TEE TIME	PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	PLAYER 3	PLAYER 4
12:30 pm	Stevenson, Jay *Royal Queensland*	Thomson, Mark *Royal Wellington*	Rankine, Timothy *Royal Sydney*	Clarke, Peter *Royal Auckland & Grange*

HOLE 14

TEE TIME	PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	PLAYER 3	PLAYER 4
12:30 pm	Sexton, Julian *The Australian*	Abbott, Tom *Otago*	Martin, Dermot *Christchurch*	Lynch, Tony *Barbarians*
12:37 pm	Grant, Bruce *Otago*	Dawson, Alan *Royal Wellington*	Sawtell, David *Royal Auckland & Grange*	Ward, Iain *Royal Queensland*

HOLE 15

TEE TIME	PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	PLAYER 3	PLAYER 4
12:30 pm	Whitwham, Charles *Christchurch*	Rankine, Andrew *Royal Sydney*	Schmidt, Simon *The Australian*	Nixon, Rob *Barbarians*
12:37 pm	Griffiths, Allen *Otago*	Liddell, Graeme *Royal Wellington*	Somervaille, David *Royal Auckland & Grange*	Bishop, Ross *Barbarians*

HOLE 16

TEE TIME	PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	PLAYER 3	PLAYER 4
12:30 pm	Morrison, Pete *Christchurch*	Wynyard, Christopher *Royal Sydney*	Renshall, Robert *The Australian*	Higginson, Frank *Royal Queensland*
12:37 pm	Roberts, Stu *Christchurch*	Walker, Marc *Royal Wellington*	Hamilton, Andrew *Royal Auckland & Grange*	Eaton, Tony *Royal Queensland*

HOLE 17

TEE TIME	PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	PLAYER 3	PLAYER 4
12:30 pm	Keenan, Vaughn *Otago*	James, Peter *Royal Sydney*	Scott, Simon *The Australian*	Smith, Chris *Royal Queensland*

HOLE 18

TEE TIME	PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	PLAYER 3	PLAYER 4
12:30 pm	Williamson, John *Christchurch*	Sinclair, Mark *Royal Sydney*	Reid, Jonathan *Royal Auckland & Grange*	Hodges, Ivan *Barbarians*
12:37 pm	Alcock, Warren *Otago*	Blucher, Michael *Barbarians*	Krause, Brett *Royal Wellington*	Massey, Michael *The Australian*

Bledisloe Golf Cup
Royal Queensland 2026

RQGC	Handicap	Score	AGC	Handicap	Score	CGC	Handicap	Score	RAAGC		
Chris Smith	10	40	David Ferguson	20	33	Bryan Andrews	19	35	David Sawtell	15	33
James Henderson	19	37	Simon Scott	12	31	Dermot Martin	14	32	Roger Sowman	11	29
Jean-Marc Vidot	4	35	David Sekel	15	29	Charles Whitwham	6	31	Peter Clarke	13	29
Frank Higginson	7	34	Robert Renshall	5	28	John Williamson	11	31	Andy Hamilton	11	29
Tim Weston	10	34	Glenn Thompson	14	26	Andre Sloan	11	26	David Sommerville	3	25
Liam Ryan	14	33	Simon Schmidt	14	26	Stu Roberts	10	25	Rob Chemaly	10	23
Iain Ward	17	28	Michael Massey	30	23	Marty Benge	24	24	Jonathon Reid	22	21
Tony Eaton	8	27	Julian Seaton			Peter Morrison	14	22	Michael Collins		
First		**180**	**Seventh**		**147**	**Fourth**		**155**	**Eighth**		**145**

RSGC	Handicap	Score	Barbarians	Handicap	Score	OGC	Handicap	Score	RWGC		
Mark Sinclair	13	35	Tony Lynch	12	37	Alan Griffiths	22	35	Marc Walker	17	35
Tim Rankine	14	33	Ivan Hodges	14	33	Vaughn Keenan	19	31	Brendan O'Donavan	13	34
Simon Skibsted	15	31	Rob Nixon	11	32	Richard McKnight	17	29	Graeme Liddell	11	31
Andrew Rankine	21	28	Tony Stephens	16	32	Warren Alcock	17	29	Brett Krause	18	30
Peter James	19	28	Ross Bishop	19	29	Bruce Grant	19	27	Mark Thomson	12	27
Ivan Haege	17	25	Jim Tucker	10	29	Tom Abbot	14	26	Alan Dawson	10	27
Michael O'Brien	18	23	John Greenhalg	28	27	Francis Whitaker	11	22	Wayne Eagleson	12	25
John Wynyard	21	22	Michael Blucher	20	26	David Bloor			Grant Macaskill	11	23
Fourth		**155**	**Third**		**163**	**Sixth**		**151**	**Second**		**157**

Trans Tasman Cup **Australia**

HONOUR BOARD

Year	Hosts	Bledisloe Challenge Trophy (Best Club Team Aggregate)	Geoffery "Fusion" Hartigan Trophy (Worst Individual Score)	Trans-Tasman Trophy (Aus v NZ Team Aggregate)	Graham Langridge Memorial Jug (Best Individual Score)
1997	Metropolitan GC	Wellington GC	-	-	-
1998	The Australian GC	Metropolitan GC	-	-	-
1999	Auckland GC	Auckland GC	-	-	-
2000	Wellington GC	Wellington GC	-	-	-
2001	The Australian GC	The Australian GC	-	-	-
2002	Christchurch GC	Christchurch GC	-	-	-
2003	Royal Sydney GC	Royal Sydney GC	-	-	-
2004	Royal Wellington GC	Royal Wellington GC	-	-	-
2005	The Australian GC	The Australian GC	David Blair	-	-
2006	Auckland GC	Auckland GC	Doug Farquharson	New Zealand	-
2007	Metropolitan GC	The Barbarians	Arthur Johnson	Australia	-
2008	Auckland GC	Auckland GC	John Tait	New Zealand	-
2009	Royal Sydney GC	Royal Sydney GC	Mark Southall	Australia	-
2010	Christchurch GC	Royal Sydney GC	Graeme Kershaw	Australia	Peter James
2011	Royal Queensland GC	Royal Queensland GC	Peter James	Australia	-
2012	Royal Auckland GC	Royal Sydney GC	John Tait	New Zealand	Mark Southall
2013	The Australian GC	The Australian GC	David Young	Australia	Ivan Haige
2014	Royal Wellington GC	Metropolitan GC	Ben Garvey	New Zealand	Jugnu Gill
2015	Royal Sydney GC	Royal Sydney GC	Jim Kelaher	Australia	John Fitzpatrick
2016	Christchurch GC	Royal Auckland GC	Ben Garvey	New Zealand	Brett Krause
2017	Metropolitan GC	Royal Queensland GC	Simon Frater	Australia	John Tait
2018	Royal Queensland GC	Royal Queensland GC	Gregory Fox	Australia	Ross Wharton
2019	Royal Wellington GC	Royal Wellington GC	Doug Farquharson	New Zealand	Kevin Kelly
2020	Not Held	Not Held	Not Held	Not Held	Not Held
2021	Not Held	Not Held	Not Held	Not Held	Not Held
2022	Royal Sydney GC	Royal Sydney GC	Jack Stephens	Australia	Peter James
2023	Christchurch GC	Royal Auckland & Grange GC	Glen Barker	New Zealand	Archie Gothard

2024 Australian Rauk
2025 Australian Rauk
2026 RQ
RQ
Geoff Pearce (RW)
AUS
DI (2.6)
Chris Smith (RQ)