



Wellington Golf Incorporated

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2017 SELECTION PANEL ANNOUNCED

Wellington Golf is pleased to announce their Selection Panel for the 2017/18 Representative Season.

The panel will be convened by John Spraggs, the 2016 convener and current New Zealand Golf National selector. Joining John as selectors will be John Morgan and Alastair Sidford.

Team Managers Nigel Hillier, Sue Shin and Carmen Blackler along with the addition of the WGI Operations Manager, Steve Weir, make up the balance of the selection panel.

WGI Board Chair, Stephen Bridle, is delighted to announce the retention of this experienced and successful group, for 2017. The reappointment of Spraggs, Morgan, Sidford, Hillier, Shin and Blackler, gives great continuity and will allow the group to continue on from their excellent results of 2016. The appointment of the Operations Manager to the selection panel brings additional Team Management and Selection experience to the group and provides a direct link to the financial and administrative requirements of the WGI.

Bridle is excited at the prospect of the various Representative Teams continuing on the improvement shown, and results achieved in 2016. “With the Men’s team being crowned National Champions it provides the other teams with the template for what is required to build a championship winning culture and how to perform as a true team, from which the rewards will come”

Wellington Golf’s representative season begins with the Women’s Masters Team competing at the Interprovincials in Ngaruawahia on the 28th March. The Champion Men’s side begin their 2017 buildup to a title defence, with a match against Northland in June, at Mangawhai the venue for this year’s Interprovincial, with the Women’s team opening their season against Hawkes Bay in early July.

2017 Selection Panel

John Spraggs	Royal Wellington
John Morgan	Shandon
Alastair Sidford	Boulcotts Farm
Nigel Hillier	Manor Park
Sue Shin	Shandon
Carmen Blackler	Miramar
Steve Weir	WGI Ops Manager