

## NORTHLAND GOLF CLUB – BLUE TEES

- 1<sup>st</sup> Hole      DECEPTION                      Par 4, 334m                      Stroke 7**  
Tree lined fairway demands an accurate tee shot. Trouble on the right. Sloping approach to front of green. Flat green with mounded surrounds.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Hole      PARAKIORE                      Par 4, 253m                      Stroke 17**  
Short par 4 protected by bunker in front. Sloping green makes for a tricky putt. Best approached from the left of the fairway into the slope of the green
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Hole      FLYER                      Par 3, 142m                      Stroke 9**  
Testing par 3. Tee shot needs to be accurate to the small upturned saucer green which demands a careful read of your putt.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Hole      PANORAMA                      Par 5, 429m                      Stroke 15**  
Shortish par 5 which is reachable in two for longer hitters. Bomb away and be rewarded with a birdie or eagle.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Hole      WRECKER                      Par 4, 346m                      Stroke 5**  
Demanding tee shot over gully. Keeping to the centre/left of fairway gives best approach and avoids trouble on the right. Elevated, tiered green. Take note of pin position to end up on the correct tier.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Hole      THE DROP                      Par 3, 153m                      Stroke 13**  
Beautiful drop shot hole from an elevated tee. Green surround drops off to water hazard and bunker on the right. Green has a slight slope which can fool the too casual putter.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Hole      DOG-LEG                      Par 4, 387m                      Stroke 1**  
Deservedly the toughest hole with its length. Ideal tee shot should favour the right side of fairway as trees block any shot straying to the left. Large green with subtle breaks challenging your putting skills. Approach is well protected by bunkers.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Hole      PURIRI                      Par 5, 392m                      Stroke 11**  
Dogleg par 5. Longer drivers should take care not to run out of fairway. Favour the left side of fairway for a clear shot to the green, which can be reached in two. Putting can be a real adventure on the severely sloping green, protected by challenging bunkers right and left.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Hole      MOUNTAIN VIEW                      Par 4, 371m                      Stroke 3**  
An accurate tee shot is demanded by the narrow, tree lined opening in front of the tee box. Favour a draw off the tee or you can end up off the fairway or behind trees. Large green with tricky contours for putting. Protected by bunkers front right and over the back.
- OUT    36, 2807m**
- 10<sup>th</sup> Hole      MATARAU                      Par 5, 469m                      Stroke 14**  
Straight par 5 with a tree lined fairway. Bunkers on the right and left guard a flat green. Plays long if the prevailing wind is blowing.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Hole      WATERFALL                      Par 4, 336m                      Stroke 4**

Begins Northland Golf Club's own "Amen Corner"! Out of bounds on the left and creek on the right, so you need to be accurate off the tee. Downhill approach to a two-tiered green, with the added danger of a creek close behind if your approach is long. Bunkers front left and to the right add difficulty. Check out the impressive falls to the left of the green if you have time.

**12<sup>th</sup> Hole      TOTARA                                      Par 3, 173m                                      Stroke 8**

Longest par 3 with a narrow gap to fire through. Can be affected by the prevailing wind, making club selection important. Green with challenging contours is well guarded by bunkers. Out of bounds close behind the green

**13<sup>th</sup> Hole      THE GAP                                      Par 4, 347m                                      Stroke 2**

Narrow gap between the trees to drive through demands accuracy. Longer drivers can bomb away over the treetops to the fairway beyond, which opens out quite generously. Green is well protected by bunkering in front, water hazard on the right and pond on left rear, so your approach shot is crucial. Contoured green with flat area at back makes for interesting putting depending on the pin placement.

**14<sup>th</sup> Hole      LONE TREE                                      Par 4, 326m                                      Stroke 12**

You have now negotiated "Amen Corner", hopefully without too much damage to your card! Lone Tree is a straightforward undulating hole which will provide some relief. Green slopes from back to front, but take care not to overshoot as there is a steep bank behind.

**15<sup>th</sup> Hole      HOLLOWES                                      Par 4, 368m                                      Stroke 6**

Another undulating par 4. Favour the left with your tee shot or you may end up rolling into the trees with the slope of the fairway. Uphill approach to a sloping green which will test your putting skills.

**16<sup>th</sup> Hole      GLADE                                      Par 3, 155m                                      Stroke 16**

Signature hole at Northland Golf Club with a smallish, sloping green that is deceptively hard to hit. Wind can be a factor. Putting requires an accurate read of the slope.

**17<sup>th</sup> Hole      WAIKOROPUPU                                      Par 5, 485m                                      Stroke 8**

Long, dog-leg par 5. Long hitters can take on the corner over the tall trees, but discretion will have you laying up for safety. Flat green, well protected with bunkers and water hazards to the right and rear.

**18<sup>th</sup> Hole      HOMEWARD BOUND                                      Par 3, 155m                                      Stroke 18**

Final hole is deceptively easy but can trap the careless. Tee shot favouring the right is best. Large flat green. Avoid the slope to the left.

**IN    35, 2814m                                      Total 5621m**