

## Wellington Golf Incorporated

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## 2018 Talent Development Programme (TDP) Coaches Announced

Wellington Golf Inc. has an established U19 Talent Development Programme (TDP) that is used to identify talented young golfers across the greater Wellington region, and provides them with specialised programmes to build on their golf skills and maximise their potential – so they can go on to represent their Clubs, Wellington and ultimately New Zealand in the future.

We strive for continuous improvement each year, refreshing and revitalising the player development programme and its pathway stages to promote mastery and excellence for the players and the district. Our programme has been structured to align with the NZ Golf High Performance Player Development Plan, and incorporates aspects of High Performance Sport taken from other sporting disciplines. Our focus for 2018 continues to be on performance in a competitive environment.

A key component to the success of the programme, and our ability to achieve our objectives, is the TDP coaching team. On behalf of the WGI Board and the TDP team, it is our pleasure to welcome Matthew Lane, Alastair Sidford and Joel Macklin as the TDP Coaching team for 2018.

Matthew, Alastair and Joel between them bring a wealth of experience both in coaching and playing, as well as a fresh approach to the "way we do what we do". We look forward to another exciting year within the TDP framework.

The Board and the TDP team would also like to take this opportunity to thank Kevin Smith for his valued contribution to the Academy over recent years. Kevin has played a key role in delivering some of the other Golf Development initiatives in the district, and we look forward to continuing to work with him in this capacity.

Stephen Bridle – WGI Chair Carmen Blackler – TDP Manager