

DOUG HOLLOWAY
Winner, 2005 Olex Taranaki Open

The support of Olex and the enthusiasm and expertise of the local organizing committee lead by David McCallum, ensured that there would be a second GTNZ event.

A strong field of amateurs and NZ professionals contested for the title and on this occasion it was to be an amateur that would be victorious. Although Doug Holloway was failing to be recognized as one of the leading three amateurs by the national selectors, here he displayed a maturity which helped him take the 36 hole lead and then play with precision protecting his lead and going on to win by three shots.

The first day belonged to North Harbour professional Josh Carmichael who scorched around the Ngamotu Links in 65, and a second round 71 had him one shot behind Holloway. Whilst he did not reproduce that form on the weekend a tie for fourth was a good finish for Carmichael.



On the final day the players and course were challenged by steady rain which was heavy at times. Tournament organizers were frantically mopping greens and only just keeping the course playable, and fortunately the round was concluded. During all of the challenges Brad Shilton jumped up the leader board with a closing 67, but it was to be Doug Holloway's week.

The leading women was Natasha Krishna with rounds of 72, 74, 72 and 79 finishing in a tie for 31st overall.

1	Doug Holloway	-10	69	66	70	73	278
T2	Brad Shilton (p)	-7	71	74	69	67	281
T2	Guy Penrose (p)	-7	69	73	66	73	281
T4	Josh Carmichael (p)	-5	65	71	73	74	283
T4	Riki Kauika	-5	72	69	70	72	283