

Cricket tip for Kiwi women golfers

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New Zealand golfer Lynnette Brooky is looking to cricket to help solve a problem she struck while playing recently in pre-Espirito Santo Trophy play in France.

Besides suffering badly from jetlag and from playing each of the six days the team was in France, Brooky said the hard course had taken its



Lynnette Brooky - changing shoes

toll of the feet and legs of the New Zealand players.

"It was hard, and very hot. We got straight off the plane

and started playing. Out on the course our feet didn't seem to want to work. The ground was really hard and dry.

"But New Zealand cricket manager Mike Sandlant and his wife Phyl came over after the cricket tour of England and caddied for us.

"Mike said to us that we needed to look at getting the sort of shoes the cricketers wear to stop the soreness on our feet. So we'll be checking that out when we get back to

New Zealand," she said.

Brooky is in the United States preparing for the US Amateur championships which start on Monday, NZT at the Homestead course.

"I am quite happy with my game at the moment," she said, and looking further ahead she said the trip to France had been valuable in realising the style of play that would be necessary in the Espirito Santo on the course concerned.

Brooky loses playoff after brilliant 71

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New Zealand golfer Lyn Brooky lost the British Columbia women's championships in Vancouver, Canada, on the first hole of a sudden-death play-off yesterday.

The Wellington player and Canadian Jackie Little were tied on a three-round total of 220 at the par-75 Shaughnessy Golf Club.

But at the first extra hole Brooky, who had bogeyed at the same hole earlier in the day while on her way to shooting a superb four-under-71 for the last round, faltered again.

She struck trouble by playing an identical second shot into the trees, handing Little the championship.

In an ironic twist Brooky had beaten another Canadian, Terrill



Lyn Brooky

Samuel, at the sudden-death 37th hole at Paraparaumu in 1990 to win the New Zealand women's championship.

There was consolation for Brooky yesterday in that she played a brilliant round.

Beginning the day three strokes behind overnight leader Little, she was five-under after nine holes in the final round with four birdies and an eagle.

Little played steady if unspectacular golf, holding her nerve as Brooky made her charge, to card one-under 74 to ensure the play-off.

New Zealanders filled the other minor placings with Susan Farron (Manawatu) finishing third with a total of 224, three strokes ahead of fourth-placed Lisa Aldridge (Wellington) who had an unhappy day.

Aldridge was one-under after seven holes but then struck disaster with a run of four bogeys and a double bogey.

She returned a card of 78, the same score managed by Kerryn Starr (Canterbury), who was seventh with a total of 232.

The four-woman squad will today play at the Marine Drive course, venue for the world amateur championships later this year.

Farron and Aldridge then go to Portugal to play in the European strokeplay championships while Brooky, Starr and non-playing captain Alison Bojesen-Trepka return to New Zealand.

The national selectors face a tough task in choosing a team of three for the world amateur in September.

Brooky, Farron, Aldridge and Annette Stott of Auckland are in line for selection.