

Brooky leads Australian women's open

NEW ZEALANDER Lynette Brooky is leading the Australian women's amateur strokeplay golf open in Sydney after shooting a one-under-par 74 in yesterday's third round.

Brooky, from Wellington, has a three-round total of 225 and leads by three shots over Queenslanders Kerrie-Anne Webb and Lorraine Lambert, who yesterday shot a par 75 and one-over 76 respectively.

Playing in occasionally blustery conditions at the New South Wales club, Brooky's fellow Wellingtonian Lisa Aldridge and Western Australia's Jane Leary lie in joint fourth position, five shots off the lead.

Manawatu's Susan Farron is lying seventh equal after shooting 80 yesterday. — NZPA

Brooky second in Scotland

LONDON. — Wellington's Lynette Brooky ended her European golfing tour on a high note today, as runner-up in the British women's strokeplay championship at Gullane in Scotland.

The 25-year-old Manor Park player, who holds the Australian and New Zealand strokeplay titles, finished six shots adrift of winner Julie Hall of England.

With a strong, cold westerly wind blowing over the links course

all day, Brooky fired an even-par third round of 74 and then a final round 75. That gave her 296 for the tournament.

● In Canada, Philip Tataurangi (Waikato) survived a horror front nine to hold a share of the lead after two rounds of the Canadian amateur championship yesterday.

He dropped five strokes in the first half but two birdies, offset by a late bogey, brought him home in 74.

New Zealand's Richard Lee had one of the best rounds of the day, an even-par 70.

Wellington's Rohan Welsh remained well placed despite a second round 74 to be on 141, while Steve Alker (Waikato) was three shots back after a 71 today.

Six of the eight New Zealanders were among the 74 qualifiers, who will now play a further 36 holes to decide the championship. — NZPA-Reuter

Sydney

AUSTRALIAN women's amateur championships:

225—L Brooky (NZ) 77 74 74
228—K Webb (Qld) 78 75 75, L Lambert (Qld) 72 80 76
230—J Leary (WA) 80 75 75, L Aldridge (NZ) 75 76 79
231—F Pike (SA) 72 79 80

Also:
234—S Farron (NZ) 80 74 80

Brooky leads strong Wellington team

By RUSSELL GRAY

NEW ZEALAND amateur champion Lynette Brooky heads a strong Wellington women's golf team for a quadrangular tournament at Palmerston North's Hokowhitu course today and tomorrow, but most attention will be focused lower down the order.

The matches against Hawke's Bay-Poverty, Manawatu-Wanganui and Taranaki are the last chance players will get to impress before the Wellington team to compete at the national interprovincial championships, in Nelson in May, is selected.

Wellington, who were defending champions, performed poorly at last year's championships in Hastings finishing 10th of the 13 provinces.

At Tahunanui Wellington will field a much changed team, and despite the loss of international Lisa Aldridge to Manawatu-Wanganui

will be much stronger.

The return of Margot Oliver, who will play at No 2 this weekend, is a boost and with Heather Barnett, a semifinalist at the national championship in New Plymouth at the end of last year, at three the top of the order has a solid look.

Connie Broker, Anna Napier, Beth Stafford and Sharon Veale complete the team for the quadrangular tournament and while Veale is at the bottom of the order she is likely to make the five for Nelson along with Napier.

Veale, a Canterbury representative in 1984 and 1985, moved to the capital in 1986 and played for Wellington in 1989. Since then she has taken a break from representative golf but is now back in contention.

No surprises likely in women's golf team

By RICHARD IVES
Golf writer

The Wellington women's golf team to compete at the national interprovincial tournament in Christchurch next month will be named at the weekend.

The Shandon Open on Saturday is a compulsory trial for squad members, and the five-woman team will be chosen after its completion.

There seems to be little doubt about the makeup of the Fund for Sport Wellington team.

The five players will almost certainly be Lisa Aldridge, Lynette Brooky, Margot Oliver, Michelle Morton and Daisy Seiringer. The only doubt surrounds whether Oliver or Morton will play at No 3.

Veteran Trentham Camp player Seiringer all but confirmed her position with a strong performance in the Sybil Green quadrangular tournament at Palmerston North at the weekend, when she had two wins and a half. Seiringer first played in the interprovincial tournament in 1967 — before Aldridge, Brooky and Morton



Lynette Brooky — a certainty for the Wellington team.

were born — and has appeared in 22 in total.

Wellington, second in the BNZ tournament last year, comfortably won at Palmerston North. It beat Manawatu-Wanganui 4½-2½, Taranaki 5½-1½ and Hawke's Bay-Poverty Bay 4-3, Brooky and Oliver winning all three matches.

Brooky and Farron on course for clash

By RUSSELL GRAY

INTERNATIONALS Lynette Brooky and Susan Farron yesterday stayed on course for their expected clash in the final of the Wellington women's provincial golf matchplay championship at Heretaunga, but for Brooky it was a close call.

After beating Miramar's Tina Anderson four and three in the morning's first round, Brooky had a battle with Wellington's Sue Velvin, an eight handicapper playing on her own course, before winning at the 20th.

Four up and seemingly coasting at the

turn, she found herself on the back foot after Velvin, thanks to some superb putting, won five holes in succession between the 11th and 15th to turn the four-hole deficit into a one-hole advantage.

Brooky won the 17th to get back on terms and finished the match off at the second extra hole with a birdie.

In this morning's semifinals, Brooky will meet Te Marua's Connie Broker, who yesterday had wins over Lucy Neal (Hutt),

three and two, and Anna Napier (Carterton), six and five.

Farron, of Manawatu, had no problems negotiating the first two rounds on the way to her semifinal against Hutt's Jill Coverdale. She opened with a seven and six win over Brenda Smith (Hutt) and went on to beat Angela Barlow (Wellington) by the same margin.

Coverdale beat Shandon's Tupi Willis three and two in the morning and Wellington's Diana Mitchell four and two in the afternoon.