

# SENIOR GOLFER'S SOCIETY OF KWAZULU-NATAL NEWSLETTER

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Welcome all Senior Golfer's Society members

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

### BIRTHDAYS

There were 26 Birthdays in April 2015. There were four in the eighties and none in the nineties.

#### Birthdays in the Eighties:

Waller Butcher turned 82 on April 12<sup>th</sup>. He was born in 1933.

Dave Oehley turned 85 on April 16<sup>th</sup>. He was born in 1930.

Derek Spencer turned 81 on April 26<sup>th</sup>. He was born in 1934.

Barry Amm turned 81 on April 29<sup>th</sup>. He was born in 1934.

We wish all of the birthday boys a very Happy Birthday.

## COMPETITION RESULTS

### Tuesday 7 April 2015 - Better Ball Stableford - Bill Edmonds Trophy at Maritzburg Golf Club



The annual Bill Edmonds Trophy event that is played at the Maritzburg Golf Club took place on Tuesday 7 April 2015. A disappointing field of 77 players were rewarded on the day with a golf course in superb condition from tee to green. The Maritzburg administration and green-keeping staff deserve a pat on the back.

The "Bill Edmonds" is one of our major tournaments and is played off one set of tee markers. The course was generously set up and this coupled with good greens produced some excellent Better Ball scores.

Winners of the Bill Edmonds Trophy on 49 Points - Richard Evans and Mike Weeden

**Results of the day were:**

1<sup>st</sup> Mike Weeden and Richard Evans (By 151 Days) (48 346 Days Old) 49 Points

**On a Count Out From:**

2<sup>nd</sup> Peter Ledger and Gavin Hepburn (48 195 Days Old) 49 Points

3<sup>rd</sup> Mike Seligmann and Les Orchard 48 Points

4<sup>th</sup> Roger Don-Wauchope and Phil Harvey 46 Points

5<sup>th</sup> Kim Elgie and Peter Almond (By 6 196 Days) (55 839 Days Old) 45 Points

**On a Count Out From:**

Kevin McComb and Corrie Meintjes (49 643 Days Old) 45 Points

Bob Martin and Jens Frolich (48 703 Days Old) 45 Points

**FORTHCOMING FIXTURES**

**Tuesday 26 May 2015 - Alliance Stableford Waiting List Game at Mount Edgecombe CC**

Entry Form attached and on the website under "Fixtures". First tee off time 11h00.

Sponsored By: Doug Aitken, Peter Almond, Roy Armour, James Dixon, Robbie Wright and the five sponsors listed below.

Entries close on Friday 15 May 2015.

**Tuesday 9 June 2015 - Better Ball Bonus Bogey at Royal Durban Golf Club**

Entry Form attached and on the website under "Fixtures". First tee off time 10h30.

Sponsored By: Ian Fleming and Allan van der Veen and the five sponsors listed below.

Entries close on Friday 29 May 2015.

**Thursday 25 June 2015 and Friday 26 June 2015 - Alliance Stableford/Better Ball Stableford at Southbroom Country Club**

Entry Forms attached and on the website under "Fixtures". Tee off times are 10h30 on the Thursday and 08h01 on the Friday.

The Southbroom fixture will take the form of an Alliance Stableford (two scores to count) on Thursday afternoon 25 June and a Better Ball Stableford on Friday morning 26 June. Members can travel down to Southbroom on the Thursday morning; play golf that afternoon, followed by a braai at the Club in the evening.

We will then stay the night in Southbroom and tee up on Friday morning for the Better Ball. This will be followed by prize giving, returning home in the afternoon. Members are asked to arrange their own accommodation for their overnight stay.

It goes without saying that wives/partners are welcome and should any of the ladies wish to play golf on either of the two days or both days, will you please enter either via the website or on the attached Entry Forms.

This event is sponsored by Ant Hacker, Tim Hooper, Peter Ledger, Andre Schoeman, Tim Hitchens and the five sponsors detailed below.

Entries close on Friday 12 June 2015.

There will be a Starting Sheets for all the above events. We are encouraging members to check their tee off times on the KZN web site. Don't forget the web site is accessed by entering [www.kznseniors.com](http://www.kznseniors.com) into your computer search engine (Google) and select the first option which is "Senior Golfers' Society KZN - Home". This will open the web site.

**All our competitions are kindly sponsored by:**



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### **NEWS ITEMS**

#### **Dates to remember in 2015**

June 15-21.	<b>US Open</b> - Chambers Bay, Pacific North West, for the 1 <sup>st</sup> time in its history.
July 16-19.	<b>The Open Championship</b> - St Andrews - this is the 144 <sup>th</sup> Open Championship.
August 10-16.	<b>US PGA</b> - Whistling Straits, Kohler, Wisconsin.

#### **2015 Fixture List & Members Register Booklet**

The 2015 Fixture List & Members Register Booklet is available from the Seniors Office at Royal Durban Golf Club. Should you want a booklet, please arrange to collect one. Please phone the office to ensure that the office is open.

## GOLF TIPS

9. ***Sometimes it is best to take a drop, even if you're tempted to play***

If you're in trouble under bushes or in the trees, don't feel compelled to try and play the ball as it lies. If your backswing catches on a branch, you could miss it altogether or hit it into even deeper trouble. When the potential downside outweighs the possible gains, don't be reluctant to take a drop, especially if that then leaves you clear to make a full swing. Take your medicine and move on. You'll undoubtedly reduce the number of big scores you run up, and will still be able to salvage par sometimes, even with the drop.

10. ***Hit the club YOU need to hit***

Even though you can't ask other players what club they're using, you'll often have a pretty good idea, especially on par 3's. But even if you do, you should view this merely as "information of general interest" rather than letting it unduly sway your club selection. Your opponent or partner might be a club or two longer or shorter than you, or may see the shot very differently - perhaps a high draw with an 8-iron while you see it as a punched fade with a 5-iron. Whatever the case, hit the club you think you need to hit for the way you've seen the shot.

## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

As we get older we sometimes begin to doubt our ability to "make a difference" in the world.

It is at these times that our hopes are boosted by the remarkable achievements of other "seniors" who have found the courage to take on challenges that would make many of us wither.

Harold Schlumberg is such a person:



***THIS IS QUOTED FROM HAROLD:***

***"I've often been asked, 'What do you do now that you're retired?'***

***Well...I'm fortunate to have a chemical engineering background and one of the things I enjoy most is converting beer, wine and whisky into urine.***

*It's rewarding, uplifting, satisfying and fulfilling. I do it every day and I really enjoy it."*

*Harold should be an inspiration to us all.*

## PARTING SHOT

### Grading Papers

Imagine the nun that is sitting at her desk grading these papers all the while trying to keep a straight face and maintain her composure!

Pay special attention to the wording and spelling. If you know the bible even a little, you'll find this hilarious. It comes from a catholic elementary school test.

Kids were asked questions about the old and new testaments. The following statements about the bible were written by children. They have not been retouched or corrected. Incorrect spelling has been left in.

1. IN THE FIRST BOOK OF THE BIBLE, GUINNESSIS. GOD GOT TIRED OF CREATING THE WORLD SO HE TOOK THE SABBATH OFF.
2. ADAM AND EVE WERE CREATED FROM AN APPLE TREE. NOAH' S WIFE WAS JOAN OF ARK. NOAH BUILT AND ARK THE ANIMALS CAME ON IN PEARS.
3. LOTS WIFE WAS A PILLAR OF SALT DURING THE DAY, BUT A BALL OF FIRE DURING THE NIGHT.
4. THE JEWS WERE A PROUD PEOPLE AND THROUGHOUT HISTORY THEY HAD TROUBLE WITH UNSYMPATHETIC GENITALS.
5. SAMPSON WAS A STRONGMAN WHO LET HIMSELF BE LED ASTRAY BY A JEZEBEL LIKE DELILAH.
6. SAMSON SLAYED THE PHILISTINES WITH THE AXE OF THE APOSTLES.
7. MOSES LED THE JEWS TO THE RED SEA ~ WHERE THEY MADE UNLEAVENED BREAD WHICH IS BREAD WITHOUT ANY INGREDIENTS.
8. THE EGYPTIANS WERE ALL DROWNED IN THE DESSERT. AFTERWARDS, MOSES WENT UP TO MOUNT CYANIDE TO GET THE TEN COMMANDMENTS
9. THE FIRST COMMANDMENTS WAS WHEN EVE TOLD ADAM TO EAT THE APPLE.
10. THE SEVENTH COMMANDMENT IS THOU SHALT NOT ADMIT ADULTERY.

11. MOSES DIED BEFORE HE EVER REACHED CANADA THEN JOSHUA LED THE HEBREWS IN THE BATTLE OF GERITOL.
12. THE GREATEST MIRICLE IN THE BIBLE IS WHEN JOSHUA TOLD HIS SON TO STAND STILL AND HE OBEYED HIM.
13. DAVID WAS A HEBREW KING WHO WAS SKILLED AT PLAYING THE LIAR. HE FOUGHT THE FINKELSTEINS, A RACE OF PEOPLE WHO LIVED IN BIBLICAL TIMES.
14. SOLOMON, ONE OF DAVIDS SONS, HAD 300 WIVES AND 700 PORCUPINES.
15. WHEN MARY HEARD SHE WAS THE MOTHER OF JESUS, SHE SANG THE MAGNA CARTA.
16. WHEN THE THREE WISE GUYS FROM THE EAST SIDE ARRIVED THEY FOUND JESUS IN THE MANAGER.
17. JESUS WAS BORN BECAUSE MARY HAD AN IMMACULATE CONTRAPTION.
18. ST. JOHN THE BLACKSMITH DUMPED WATER ON HIS HEAD.
19. JESUS ENUNCIATED THE GOLDEN RULE, WHICH SAYS TO DO UNTO OTHERS BEFORE THEY DO ONE TO YOU. HE ALSO EXPLAINED A MAN DOTH NOT LIVE BY SWEAT ALONE.
20. IT WAS A MIRICLE WHEN JESUS ROSE FROM THE DEAD AND MANAGED TO GET THE TOMBSTONE OFF THE ENTRANCE.
21. THE PEOPLE WHO FOLLOWED THE LORD WERE CALLED THE 12 DECIBELS.
22. THE EPISTELS WERE THE WIVES OF THE APOSTLES.
23. ONE OF THE OPPOSSUMS WAS ST. MATTHEW WHO WAS ALSO A TAXIMAN.
24. ST. PAUL CAVORTED TO CHRISTIANITY, HE PREACHED HOLY ACRIMONY WHICH IS ANOTHER NAME FOR MARRAIGE.
25. CHRISTIANS HAVE ONLY ONE SPOUSE. THIS IS CALLED MONOTONY.

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