

SENIOR GOLFER'S SOCIETY OF KWAZULU-NATAL NEWSLETTER

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Welcome all Senior Golfer's Society members

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

OBITUARIES

It is with great sadness that we record the passing of Marcel Ewan.

BIRTHDAYS

There were 23 Birthdays in August 2014. There were seven in the eighties and one in the nineties.

Birthdays in the Eighties:

Henry Govender turned 80 on August 22nd. He was born in 1934.

Dick Ridgway turned 80 on August 9th. He was born in 1934.

Graeme Shuker turned 84 on August 25th. He was born in 1930.

Terence Rockey turned 86 on August 14th. He was born in 1928.

Ian Hoyer turned 88 on August 9th. He was born in 1926.

Rolly Shorten turned 88 on August 31st. He was born in 1926.

John McCarthy turned 89 on August 27th. He was born in 1925.

Birthdays in the Nineties:

Colin Sinclair turned 92 on August 8th. He was born in 1922. Well done Colin.

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

COMPETITION RESULTS

Wednesday 6 August 2014 - Better Ball Bonus Bogey at Umhlali Golf Club

Our annual fixture at Umhlali took place saw a field of 72 tee it up on yet another day with perfect weather for golf. Umhlali is yet another example of one of our coastal courses that have come through a very dry winter in remarkable condition. Scores were good and the event was won by our

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Captain, Alistair Forbes in partnership with Ronnie Nienaber.

Results of the day were:

1 st	Alistair Forbes and Ronnie Nienaber	+ 11
2 nd	Peter Comrie and Brian Wilkie	+ 10
3 rd	Rob Little and James Dixon	+ 8
4 th	Stan Carruthers and Tex Murray (By1 157 Days) (52 076 Days Old)	+ 7
	<u>On a Count Out From:</u>	
5 th	Ian Catt and Dan Sterling (By 3864 Days) (50 819 Days Old)	+ 7
	<u>On a Count Out From:</u>	
	Allan van der Veen and John MacKinnon (46 955 Days Old)	+ 7

Tuesday 19 August 2014 - Better Ball Stableford at Scottburgh Golf Club

63 of us had a most enjoyable day at Scottburgh. Stan Powell and the staff of the Scottburgh Golf Club made us all feel very welcome. The course, as was expected for this time of the year, was a bit dry but very playable as proved with the excellent scores. The Captain of Scottburgh Golf Club, Mike Eley had a net 62!!



Mike Eley, Captain of Scottburgh Golf Club, who shot a net 62 and Alistair Forbes at prize giving

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Stan Carruthers, who was part of the winning better ball pair, pictured with our Captain, Alistair Forbes. Unfortunately his partner Vince Vogt was unable to attend prize giving.

Results of the day were:

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| 1 st | Stan Carruthers and Vince Vogt | 46 Points |
| 2 nd | Alistair Forbes and Mike Eley (Captain of Scottburgh Golf Club)
(By 76 Days) (50 247 Days Old) | 45 Points |
| | <u>On a Count Out From:</u> | |
| 3 rd | Bobby Clark (Gauteng) and Bob Thomas (By 3 470 Days) (50 171 Days Old) | 45 Points |
| | <u>On a Count Out From:</u> | |
| 4 th | Mike Mun-Gavin and Frank Agg (46 701 Days Old) | 45 Points |
| 5 th | Ron de Villiers and Barry Kramer | 44 Points |

All our competitions are kindly sponsored by:



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FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

COMPETITION ENTRIES VIA THE WEB SITE

There is a degree of inflexibility when entering for a competition via the web site. It is not possible to enter via the web site after the closing date for the competition. We urge members to carefully scan the Alphabetical List sent out by the Secretariat for the competition. If you have entered via the web site at any time and your name is not on the Alphabetical List, please contact the Secretariat by email or telephone.

We have arranged for entries via the web site to close off on the Friday prior to the Tuesday competition. Should you wish to enter after the web site entries have closed, please contact the Secretariat by email or telephone.

Wednesday 3 September 2014 - North Coast Seniors vs KZN Seniors at Umhlali Golf Club

Entry Form on the website under "Fixtures". Tee off time 11h30.

Entries close Friday 29 August 2014.

This event is sponsored by North Coast Seniors.

Tuesday 16 September 2014 - Midland SAGES vs KZN Seniors at Bosch Hoek Golf Club

Entry Form on the website under "Fixtures". Tee off 10h00.

Entries close Friday 12 September 2014.

This event is sponsored by Ivan Clark.

Tuesday 7 October 2014 - Foursomes Trophy (Pinehurst) at Durban Country Club

Entry Form on the website under "Fixtures". Tee off 11h00.

Entries for this event will close on the website on Monday 29 September 2014. PLEASE GET YOUR ENTRIES IN AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. In order to avoid late finishes in diminished light, the field for this event will be restricted to 120 players.

PLEASE NOTE THAT AS THIS IS A TROPHY EVENT ENTRIES ARE RESTRICTED TO FULL PLAYING MEMBERS ONLY. Also note that you may, if you so wish, nominate your own partner for this event.

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Tuesday 21 October 2014 - Waiting List Game at Umdoni Park Golf Club

Entry Form on the website under "Fixtures". Tee off 10h30.

Entries close on the website on Friday 17 October 2014. Please get your entries in as soon as possible and don't leave it to the last minute.

This event is sponsored by Roger Mentzel, Stef Nel, Peter Thomson, Tony Hallett and the six Sponsors listed below.

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There will be a Starting Sheet for all the above events. We are encouraging members to check their tee off times on the new KZN website. **Don't forget the website is accessed by entering 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 website.** It is our intention to start phasing out e-mailing the Alphabetical Lists and Starting Sheets for all our games. For the time being we will however continue to e-mail you Alphabetical Lists and Starting Sheets.

NEWS ITEMS

2015 National Tournament

Next year's National Tournament will be held in Bloemfontein from 19 April to 24 April 2015 and members may wish to diarise these dates.

Dates to remember in 2014

August 7-10. **US PGA** - Valhalla Golf Club in Louisville, Ky., for the first time in 14 years

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Forward (Blue) Tees

There still seems to be some confusion over the use of Forward Tees and handicaps. In 3 of the last 4 games there has been an instance of one of the prize winners having played off the forward tees and not adjusting his handicap. In each of these instances, players have won prizes they should not have!

Some members are still saying "... but I am handicapped off the blue tees..."! This is absolutely not the case and if a player is playing off the Blue Tees, he must adjust his handicap downwards by the relevant differential in tee ratings.

Furthermore, he should tell the scorer that he is playing off the forward tees and ask him to note the adjustment on the card. The adjusted handicap should be shown on the card as follows, eg '18/16' where the differential is 2.

Almost all the courses we now play on have had the Club tees and the Forward fees properly rated and, in case this is not shown on the card, the club should be requested to provide this information. If there are any members who are still having difficulty with this system, please contact Bob Rickards (Cell No. 082 967 800) or Rae Stewart (Cell No. 083 625 0333).

For Sale

1. A Cork Ballington designed ride-on golf buggy with two batteries and a battery charger. R4 000.00. Contact Bob Bell on 031 207-2617 or 083 260 9391
2. A Hillbilly walk behind battery driven golf bag caddie complete with battery and battery charger. Contact Dan Sterling on 031 309-2206 or 083 270 1810.
3. Petrol Yamaha Golf Cart - in excellent condition - only used about twice a year. Contact Barry Kramer on 031 764-1634

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Food for Thought

We are here on earth to do good unto others. What the others are here for, I have no idea. - W.H. Auden

I'm not saying let's go kill all the stupid people. I'm just saying let's remove all the warning labels on items and let the problem work itself out.

I changed my car horn to gunshot sounds. People move out of the way much faster now.

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You can tell a lot about a woman's mood just by looking at her hands. If they are holding a gun, she's probably angry.

Gone are the days when girls used to cook like their mothers. Now they drink like their fathers.

You know that tingly little feeling you get when you really like someone..... That's common sense leaving your body.

I don't like making plans for the day because then the word "premeditated" gets thrown around in the courtroom.

I didn't make it to the gym again today. That makes five years in a row.

I decided to stop calling the bathroom the John. I renamed it Jim. I feel so much better saying I went to the Jim this morning.

To the paranoid people who check behind shower curtains for murderers; If you find one.....what's your plan?

PARTING SHOTS



I pointed to two "old farts" across the bar from us and told my friend Bert, "That'll be us in ten years."

He turned to me and said Bob "That's a mirror, you dumb bugger"

Happy Anniversary

Abe and Esther are flying to Australia for a two-week vacation to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

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Suddenly, over the public address system, the Captain announces: "Ladies and Gentlemen, I am afraid I have some very bad news. Our engines have ceased functioning and we will attempt an emergency landing. Luckily, I see an uncharted island below us and we should be able to land on the beach. However, the odds are that we may never be rescued and will have to live on the island for the rest of our lives."

Thanks to the skill of the flight crew, the plane lands safely on the island.

An hour later Abe turns to his wife and asks, "Esther, did we pay our Visa and MasterCard bill yet?"

"No, sweetheart," she responds.

Abe, still shaken from the crash landing, then asks, "Esther, did we pay our American Express card yet?"

"Oh no! I'm sorry, I forgot to send the cheque," she says.

"One last thing, Esther - did you remember to send the income tax cheque to Revenue Service this month?" he asks.

"Oh, forgive me, Abe," begged Esther. "I didn't send that one, either."

Abe grabs her and gives her the biggest kiss in 40 years.

Esther pulls away and asks him, "What was that for?"

Abe answers, "They'll find us!"

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