

# SENIOR GOLFER'S SOCIETY OF KWAZULU-NATAL NEWSLETTER

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**FEBRUARY 2015**

Welcome all Senior Golfer's Society members

## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

### **BIRTHDAYS**

There were 33 Birthdays in February 2015. There were four in the eighties and two in the nineties.

#### **Birthdays in the Eighties:**

Tom Mezher turned 80 on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. He was born in 1935.  
Braam Matthee turned 81 on February 4<sup>th</sup>. He was born in 1934.  
Stewart Johnstone turned 82 on February 20<sup>th</sup>. He was born in 1933.  
Bob Bell turned 87 on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. He was born in 1928.

#### **Birthdays in the Nineties:**

Bertie Lind turned 90 on February 5<sup>th</sup>. He was born in 1925. Well done Bertie!  
Nellie Nel turned 92 on February 15<sup>th</sup>. He was born in 1923. Well done Nellie!

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

## **NEW MEMBERS**

We have great pleasure in welcoming a New Member to our ranks. We wish him many happy years of golf with the KZN Seniors.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Home Number</b>	<b>Cell Number</b>
Trevor Coppen	031 266-1459	082 448 4653

## COMPETITION RESULTS

### Tuesday 10 February 2015 - Better Ball Bonus Bogey at Prince's Grant Golf Club



The 75 members who entered for the annual Prince's Grant game were rewarded with balmy weather and a golf course in excellent condition. Despite the fact that there was a stiff breeze which is normal for this links-like course, the scoring for the Better Ball Bonus competition was remarkably high, thereby illustrating the golfing prowess of the winners who brought in a score of + 13.

We have said it in previous Newsletters and we can only repeat that those who did not enter for this event have once again missed out on a wonderful golfing experience on one of KZN's premier courses.

The winning pair at Prince's Grant:  
Frans Kemper and Dave Frankish

#### Results of the day were:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Frans Kemper and Dave Frankish	+ 13
2 <sup>nd</sup>	David Yeo and John Russell (By 1 154 Days) (53 021 Days Old)	+ 11

#### On a Count Out From:

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Gavin Gormley and Victor Govender (51 867 Days Old)	+ 11
4 <sup>th</sup>	Bob Voogt and Ray Ramandh	+ 9
5 <sup>th</sup>	Ian Klintworth and Barry Beningfield (By 6 154 Days) (56 277 Days Old)	+ 8

#### On a Count Out From:

6 <sup>th</sup>	Richard Erasmus and Graham Burnett (50 123 Days Old)	+ 8
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### Tuesday 24 February 2015 - Better Ball Stableford at Durban Country Club

Our third event of the year was a Better Ball at DCC on the 24<sup>th</sup> February. A field of 96 enjoyed the Durban Country Club course which has weathered the hot January and February periods very well. In company with several other coastal courses the greens were given their mid-summer

treatment a week and a half prior to our game. Notwithstanding, the ball rolled well on the putting surface and some excellent Better Ball scores were returned.

**Results of the day were:**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Barry Buckland and John Russell	50 Points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Richard Pemberton and Murray Phillpott	47 Points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mike Seligmann and Andy Goodman (By 452 Days) (46 744 Days Old)	46 Points

**On a Count Out From:**

4 <sup>th</sup>	Dave Frankish and James Dixon (46 292 Days Old)	46 Points
5 <sup>th</sup>	Rob Little and Mike Weeden (By 173 Days) (48 585 Days Old)	44 Points

**On a Count Out From:**

	Tony Rocke and Bruce Pringle (48 412 Days Old)	44 Points
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**FORTHCOMING FIXTURES**

**Tuesday 10 March 2015 - Better Ball Bonus Stableford at Scottburgh Golf Club**

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

Sponsored By: Stan Powell and the five sponsors listed below.

Entries close on Friday 27 February 2015.

**Tuesday 24 March 2015 - Society Championships at Royal Durban Golf Club**

Entry Form sent out with January Newsletter. First tee off time 07h00.

This event is sponsored by Murray Grindrod and the five sponsors detailed below.

Entries close on Friday 13 March 2015.

Please note that as this is the Society's Annual Championship Trophy Event, entries are restricted to Full Playing Members only.

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

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

Sponsored By: Maritzburg Senior Golfers and the five sponsors listed below.

Entries close on Friday 27 March 2015.

Please note that as this is a Trophy Event, entries are restricted to Full Playing Members only.

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

### Charity Day Donations

All our members donated so generously at our Charity Day event and we were able to donate R14 000 to each of the three charities that we support from our members contributions. In addition each Charity received a further R10 000 each from the Nationals 2014 Tournament surplus funds. We have received emails of appreciation and thanks from all three hospices. Neil McDonald the CEO of Khanya Hospice sent us the following email:

"Dear all,

Just a picture of the desperately needed new car that we were able to buy, putting the money that we have collected and saved with up With your great donation - we were able to buy this car for Sister Grace Buthelezi who works mainly in our Amanzimtoti and Adams Mission area.

We still fall under the eThekweni region but get not financial assistance from them.



You made it possible for us to get the car much quicker than we anticipated

- a new car cost R130,000-00 - bottom of the range Toyota Etios.

Thanks once again.

God Bless you all

Kind regards

Neil McDonald"

### **Notice of the 79<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Society**

The formal Notice of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting on 24 March 2015 will be sent out shortly. The AGM, lunch and prize giving will be held at Royal Durban Golf Club after the 2015 Society Championships.

### **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.

### **Subscriptions For 2015**

Payment of your 2015 Subscriptions is due on receipt of your invoice and must be received by the Secretariat by the end of January 2015. There are a large number of members who have not yet paid their Subs. Please check and if you haven't yet paid your subs, please do so as a matter of urgency. Your co-operation in this regard will be most appreciated. Colleen has sent out reminders to all the defaulters. We are sure that you will appreciate that this is time consuming and embarrassing.

### **Change of Members' Contact Details**

A reminder to all members to please notify the Secretariat if any contact details change during the year, ie home telephone number, cell number, e-mail address, etc.

### **Payments**

We wish to remind members that when making payment for their 2015 Subscriptions to please ensure that their payments are referenced correctly. **Please either use your name as a reference or your Account Number when making payment to the Society.** Without a reference it is impossible to allocate the payment and creates an additional workload for Colleen. Your assistance in this regard will be most appreciated.

## **GOLF TIPS**

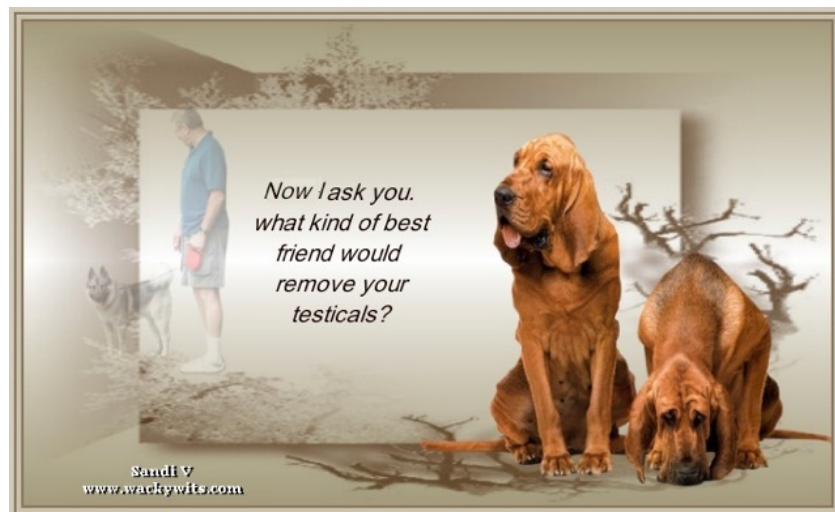
### **5. *Keep your wrists out of simple chips***

Many golfers believe they have to help the ball up on straightforward chips, breaking their wrists and scooping at it in an ill-advised attempt to get it airborne. Don't do this as it overcomplicates an essentially simple action, bringing all manner of horror shots needlessly into the equation. Wedges have up to 64° of loft - more than enough for virtually any scenario. So let the club do the lofting work and keep your wrists nice and firm through impact. You'll soon become a much more consistent chipper.

### **6. *Check your alignment often***

To improve your chances of hitting it where you're trying to, your feet, hips and shoulders should all be pointing at the target. If they're aiming too far left you're likely to cut the ball; too far right and you're likely to hook it. Check your feet by placing a club on the ground with the shaft touching both sets of toes, before stepping away to see where it's pointing. Hips and shoulders can be trickier, so if you can't work things out for yourself, ask a golfer whose opinion you respect, or find a driving range fitted out with all-revealing mirrors.

## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE



## PARTING SHOT



What deep thinkers men are...  
I mowed the lawn today, and after doing so I sat down and had a cold beer.  
The day was really quite beautiful, and the drink facilitated some deep thinking.  
My wife walked by and asked me what I was doing and I said 'nothing'.  
The reason I said that instead of saying 'just thinking' is because she would have said 'about what'.  
At that point I would have to explain that men are deep thinkers about various topics which would lead to

other questions.

Finally I thought about an age old question: Is giving birth more painful than getting kicked in the nuts?

Women always maintain that giving birth is way more painful than a guy getting kicked in the nuts.

Well, after another beer, and some heavy deductive thinking, I have come up with the answer to that question.

Getting kicked in the nuts is more painful than having a baby; and here is the reason for my conclusion.

A year or so after giving birth, a woman will often say, "It might be nice to have another child."

On the other hand, you never hear a guy say, "You know, I think I would like another kick in the nuts."

I rest my case. Time for another beer.

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