

# 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

Apologies to Mike Moon who turned 80 on June 15<sup>th</sup> not 82! We hope you had a very happy birthday.

There were 31 Birthdays in July 2014. There were three in the eighties, two in the nineties and one in the hundreds.

#### Birthdays in the Eighties:

Barry Kramer turned 81 on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. He was born in 1933.

Tony Erskine turned 82 on July 19<sup>th</sup>. He was born in 1932.

Bernie Whitehead turned 88 on July 1<sup>st</sup>. He was born in 1926.

#### Birthdays in the Nineties:

Basil Greggor turned 94 on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. He was born in 1920. Well done Basil.

Lionel Weight turned 94 on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. He was born in 1920. Well done Lionel.

#### Birthdays in the Hundreds:

Lance Mercer turned 101 on July 15<sup>th</sup>. He was born in 1913 and is our oldest member. Well done Lance.

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

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## COMPETITION RESULTS

### Tuesday 15 July 2014 - Better Ball Stableford (Waiting List) Game at Royal Durban Golf Club

Once again we had ideal golfing weather for the Waiting List game at Royal Durban. A field of 107 participated in the Better Ball Stableford competition. The Royal Durban Management and green-keeping staff are to be congratulated on presenting a golf course in excellent condition when considering the facts that the Durban July Handicap was run on 12 July and we are currently in the middle of winter. All marquees and debris from the entertainment areas created for the Durban July Handicap on the 10<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> fairways, as well as the practice area were removed on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July.

#### Results of the day were:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Trevor Dunsdon and James Dixon	49 Points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tex Murray and Miki Baranyay (By 3 641 Days) (54 740 Days Old)	48 Points
	<u>On a Count Out From:</u>	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Graham Burnett and John Winton (By 2 010 Days) (51 099 Days Old)	48 Points
	<u>On a Count Out From:</u>	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Alan Tennant and Graham Dyer (By 4 076 Days) (49 089 Days Old)	48 Points
	<u>On a Count Out From:</u>	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Dalton Bibby and Frans Kemper (45 013 Days Old)	48 Points

### Tuesday 29 July 2014 - Better Ball Bonus Stableford at Simbithi Golf Estate

We have been blessed with perfect golfing weather during the month of July. At Simbithi a field of 67 teed off with a fresh north-easterly breeze to add to the challenge of this very interesting and remarkable 18-hole golf course, comprising 14 par threes, 3 par fours and 1 par five.

Some excellent scores were returned, notwithstanding the fact that the greens had only recently been given their spring treatment. In total there were 25 two's recorded.

#### Results of the day were:

1 <sup>st</sup>	John Winton and Tony Bolt (By 6 807 Days) (54 112 Days Old)	49 Points
	<u>On a Count Out From:</u>	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Peter Ledger and Roy MacPherson (47 305 Days Old)	49 Points

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3 <sup>rd</sup>	Chris Taylor and Mike Kieser (By 1 087 Days) (53 458 Days Old)	48 Points
	<u>On a Count Out From:</u>	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Brian Wilkie and Peter Powell (52 871 Days Old)	48 Points
5 <sup>th</sup>	Dan Sterling and Roger Don-Wauchope	46 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 will arrange 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.

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

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

Entries close Friday 15 August 2014.

This event is sponsored by Stan Powell and the six sponsors detailed below.

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Sanlam Private Investments, for golf ball prizes, Grants Whisky for nearest the pin on two short holes and attendance prize, South African Breweries for Castle Lite Beer, Gowrie Farm for one night's accommodation for 8 people at The Folie, Grindrod Asset Management for golf balls for 2's and Whynotte Service Station for car wash lucky draw prize.

**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.

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.kznseiors.com](http://www.kznseiors.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**

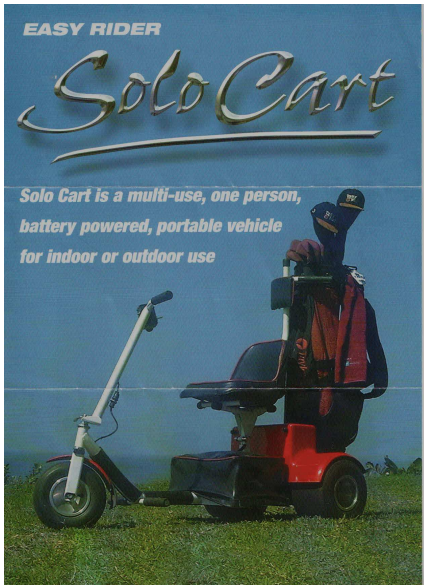
August 7-10. **US PGA** - Valhalla Golf Club in Louisville, Ky., for the first time in 14 years

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## FOR SALE



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

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.

## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

### The Wisdom of Playing Golf

- It takes longer to learn to be a good golfer than it does to become a brain surgeon. On the other hand, you don't get to ride around on a cart, drink beer, and eat hot dogs when you are performing brain surgery.
- It's amazing how a golfer who never helps out around the house will replace his divots, repair his ball marks, and rake his sand traps.
- A god golf partner is one who's always slightly worse than you are, that's why I get so many calls to play with friends.
- Golf is the perfect thing to do on Sunday because you spend longer praying than you would do in church.
- If you really want to get better at golf, go back and take it up at a much earlier age.
- There are two things you can learn by stopping your back swing at the top and checking how many hands you have, and which one is wearing the glove.
- It's easier to get up at 6:00 am to play golf than at 10:00 am to mow the grass.
- When you look up, causing an awful shot, you will always look down again at exactly the moment when you ought to start watching the ball if you ever want to see it again.
- You can hit a two acre fairway 10% of the time and a two inch branch 90% of the time.

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- It's not a gimme if you're still away.
- The shortest distance between any two points on a golf course is a straight line that passes directly through the centre of a very large tree.
- Nonchalant putts count the same as chalant putts.
- Counting on your opponent to inform you when he breaks a rule is like expecting him to make fun of his own haircut.
- A golf match is a test of your skill against your opponent's luck.
- Don't buy a putter until you've had a chance to throw it.
- When your shot has to carry over a water hazard, you can either use one more club or two more balls.
- If you're afraid a full shot might reach the green while the foursome ahead of you is still putting out, you have two options you can immediately shank a lay-up or you can wait until the green is clear and top a ball halfway there.

### PARTING SHOTS

- ❖ A gushy reporter told Phil Mickelson, "You are spectacular; your name is synonymous with the game of golf. You really know your way around the course. What's your secret?" Mickelson replied, "The holes are numbered."
- ❖ A young man and a priest are playing together. At a short par-3 the priest asks, "What are you going to use on this hole, my son?"  
The young man says, "An 8-iron, father. How about you?"  
The priest says, "I'm going to hit a soft seven and pray."  
The young man hits his 8-iron and puts the ball on the green.  
The priest tops his 7-iron and dribbles the ball out a few yards.  
The young man says, "I don't know about you, father, but in my church, when we pray, we keep our head down."
- ❖ Police are called to an apartment and find a woman holding a bloody 3-iron standing over a lifeless man.  
The detective asks, "Ma'am, is that your husband?"  
"Yes" says the woman.  
"Did you hit him with that golf club?" "Yes, yes, I did." The woman begins to sob, drops the club, and puts her hands on her face.  
"How many times did you hit him?"  
"I don't know -- put me down for a five."
- ❖ A golfer teed up his ball on the first tee, took a mighty swing and hit his ball into a clump of trees. He found his ball and saw an opening between 2 trees he thought he could hit through.

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Taking out his 3-wood, he took a mighty swing. The ball hit a tree, bounced back, hit him in the forehead and killed him.

As he approached the gates of Heaven, St. Peter asked, "Are you a good golfer?"

The man replied: "Got here in two, didn't I?"

- ❖ The bride was escorted down the aisle and when she reached the altar, the groom was standing there with his golf bag and clubs at his side.

She said: "What are your golf clubs doing here?"

He looked her right in the eye and said, "This isn't going to take all day, is it?"

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