

SENIOR GOLFER'S SOCIETY OF KWAZULU-NATAL NEWSLETTER

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MARCH 2014

Welcome all Senior Golfers' Society members

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

OBITUARIES

It is with great sadness that we record the passing of Norman Rutter on the 3rd March.

BIRTHDAYS

There were 26 Birthdays in March 2014. There were three in the eighties and none in the nineties.

Birthdays in the Eighties:

Kim Elgie turned 81 on March 6th. He was born in 1933.

Dave Napier turned 81 on March 8th. He was born in 1933.

Ian Macleod turned 82 on March 20th. He was born in 1932.

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

NEW MEMBERS

We have great pleasure in welcoming three new members to our ranks.



New Member, Dave Henry, with our newly elected President, Charles Severn. Dave was introduced to the members by the President who presented him with his Seniors' tie and a copy of the KZN History Book at our Championship Prize giving on Tuesday 25 March.

Dave's contact details are listed below and can also be found on our website

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New Member, Des Jones, with our newly elected President, Charles Severn. Des was introduced to the members by the President who presented him with his Seniors' tie and a copy of the KZN History Book at our Championship Prize giving on Tuesday 25 March.

Des's contact details are listed below and can also be found on our website.



New Member, Tony Rocke, with our newly elected President, Charles Severn. Tony was introduced to the members by the President who presented him with his Seniors' tie and a copy of the KZN History Book at our Championship Prize giving on Tuesday 25 March.

Tony's contact details are listed below and can also be found on our website.

Name	Home Number	Bus Number	Cell Number
Dave Henry	031 502-4920	031 564-6160	083 269 9999
Des Jones			082 677 6074
Tony Rocke	031 767-4362		082 567 9341

We wish them many happy years of golf with the KZN Seniors.

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COMPETITION RESULTS

Tuesday 11 March 2014 - Better Ball Bonus Stableford at Kloof Country Club

At 7 am on the morning 11 March, it was raining quite heavily in Kloof and in many parts of Durban and Pietermaritzburg. Heavy rains were also reported from Umdoni. By 10 am it had stopped raining but the weather conditions looked grim and many members thought that we would see rain throughout the day. Fortunately only 7 members withdrew and a field of 93 teed off for this event in gloomy overcast weather. The rain stayed away until quite late in the afternoon and the bulk of the field were able to complete their round without getting drenched.

Despite the conditions scores were good. The winning pair on 45 points only just edged out the other five pairs who finished on 44 points. The hospitality of the management of Kloof Country club was very much appreciated by all of us who attended an early morning meeting and played in the afternoon.

Results of the day were:

1 st	Bob Martin and Dave Rossler	45 Points
2 nd	Ant Hacker and Peter Powell (By 446 Days) (51 106 Days Old)	44 Points
	<u>On a Count Out From:</u>	
3 rd	Murray Phillpott and Martin Rotteveel (By 266 Days) (50 660 Days Old)	44 Points
	<u>On a Count Out From:</u>	
4 th	Roger Mentzel and Jonathan Hollowes (By 2 279 Days) (50 394 Days Old)	44 Points
5 th	Moosa Allee and Roy Armour (By 1 537 Days) (48 115 Days Old)	44 Points
	<u>On a Count Out From:</u>	
6 th	Barry Buckland and Kevin McComb (46 578 Days Old)	44 Points

Tuesday 25 March 2014 - Society Championships at Royal Durban Golf Club

Royal Durban once again hosted the Society's Annual Championship. The weather was near perfect for golf and the golf course and greens were in excellent condition. The championship can only be contested by Full Playing members and is played in 5 age group classes. The "youngest" division is the Class A (55 to 59) age group. It is noteworthy and of some concern that we have only 5 members in this age group while Class B (60 to 64) has 31 members, Class C (65 to 69) has 73 members, Class D (70 to 74) has 51 and finally there are 35 members in Class E 75 and over. Is this a trend indicating that our membership is ageing or is it just that we do not seem to be able to recruit suitable candidate members who are 55 to 60 years old?

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2014 SENIORS' CHAMPION:



Hennie Heyns (left) the Seniors' Champion for 2014 having scored 73 Strokes is presented with the Seniors Shield by Charles Severn, the KZN Society President.

WINNER OF THE SENIORS' TROPHY:



Barry Buckland (right) was the winner of the Seniors' Trophy for 2014 having scored 39 Stableford Points is presented with the Seniors Trophy by Charles Severn, the KZN Society President.

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GRAHAM PEARSON MEMORIAL TROPHY - 75 YEARS AND OLDER



Ted Maybery (right) was the winner of the Graham Pearson Memorial Trophy - 75 Years and Older for 2014 having scored 37 Stableford Points. The trophy was presented by our President, Charles Severn.

RESULTS:

SENIORS' CHAMPION:

HENNIE HEYNS

73 Strokes

RUNNER-UP:

ALISTAIR FORBES (24 414 Days Old) (By 1 817 Days)

76 Strokes

On a count out from:

Mike Seligmann (22 597 Days Old)

76 Strokes

SENIORS' TROPHY:

BARRY BUCKLAND

39 Points

RUNNER-UP:

ANDY GOODMAN (23 475 Days Old) (By 878 Days)

38 Points

On a count out from:

Mike Seligmann (22 597 Days Old)

38 Points

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GRAHAM PEARSON MEMORIAL TROPHY - 75 YEARS AND OLDER

TED MAYBERY

37 Points

Class A -55 to 59 years:

Best Golfer:

Dave Rossler

23 Points

Best Stableford Score:

Alan Strang

33 Points

Class B - 60 to 64 years:

Best Golfer:

Mike du Toit

29 Points

Best Stableford Score:

Bob Rickards

37 Points

Class C- 65 to 69 years:

Best Golfer:

Ronnie Nienaber

25 Points

Best Stableford Score:

Bruce Pringle

37 Points

Class D - 70 to 74 years:

Best Golfer:

Blaize McIntosh

31 Points

Best Stableford Score:

John Allan (25 725 Days Old) (By 126 Days)

37 Points

On a count out from:

Dave Sawers (25 599 Days Old)

37 Points

Class E- 75 years and over:

Best Golfer:

Brian Stokoe

27 Points

Best Stableford Score:

Pieter Oosthuizen

33 Points

OLDEST COMPETITOR:

TERENCE ROCKEY 85 Years Old

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FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

Tuesday 22 April 2014 - Alliance Stableford (Waiting List Game) at Mount Edgecombe Country Club

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

This event is sponsored by The KZN Seniors of MECC and the five sponsors detailed below.

Entries close on Friday 11 April 2014.

The five sponsors for all the above events are Sanlam Private Investments, Grants Whisky, South African Breweries, Gowrie Farm and Grindrod Asset Management for golf balls for 2's.

There will be a Starting Sheets 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

Change of Office Days

Please note that the office days have been changed with immediate effect from Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays to **MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS** and **THURSDAYS** from 09h30 to 13h30. **The office will be closed on Tuesdays and Fridays.**

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Annual General Meeting

For those members who were not present at the AGM, the names of the Committee elected for the year 2014/2015 are listed hereunder.

President:	Charles Severn
Captain:	Alistair Forbes
Vice Captain:	Bob Rickards
Secretary:	Dan Sterling
Assistant Secretary:	Colleen Sterling
Treasurer:	Doug G Aitken
Past President	John Terry-Lloyd
Committee Members:	Richard Evans Roger Mentzel Rae Stewart Robbie Wright

Van Loveren Special Offer

Van Loveren is offering a special "National Door-To-Door Delivered" price to all our members. Please check the website for details. You will find the Special Offer under the Van Loveren logo - Sponsors - National.

Please remember when placing an order to quote "Senior Golfers Special Deal".

2014 Fixture List & Members Register

We have printed a limited number of the 2014 Fixture List and Members Register Booklet. Copies are available from the office at Royal Durban.

Subscriptions For 2014

Invoices detailing Subscriptions for 2014 were e-mailed during the first week of January 2014 to those members who are on e-mail and posted to those members who do not have e-mail. Payment of your 2014 Subscription is due on receipt of your invoice. Despite several reminders there remain 15 members who have yet to pay their 2014 subscription.

Dates to remember in 2014

April 10-13.	US Masters - Augusta, Georgia
June 12-15.	US Open - the No. 2 Course of the Pinehurst Resort in Pinehurst, North Carolina.
July 17-20.	The Open Championship - Royal Liverpool (Hoylake)
August 7-10.	US PGA - Valhalla Golf Club in Louisville, Ky., for the first time in 14 years

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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.

Invitation to all Wives for the Lisa Bobbert Show

On the Wednesday morning 7th May during the Nationals the ladies have arranged a show with Lisa Bobbert, the "Queen of Comedy" including High Tea. This is a show not to be missed.

Even if you are not playing in Nationals and would like to treat your wife to a wonderful show, please phone Sheila McCarthy on 082 491 4652 or you can e-mail Sheila at Sheila@Latoscana4.co.za to make a reservation. Please feel free to invite your friend or friends to join you. All will be most welcome.

The "Queen of Comedy" show starts at 10am and the venue is Durban Country Club.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Inner Peace

If you can start the day without caffeine,
If you can always be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains,
If you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles,
If you can eat the same food every day and be grateful for it,
If you can understand when your loved ones are too busy to give you any time,
If you can take criticism and blame without resentment,
If you can conquer tension without medical help,
If you can relax without alcohol,
If you can sleep without the aid of drugs,

then You Are Probably
The Family Dog!



Handle every stressful situation like a dog.
If you can't eat it or play with it then
pee on it and walk away.

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PARTING SHOT

The Ten Best Caddie Responses

Number 10

Golfer: "I think I'm going to drown myself in the lake."

Caddie: "Think you can keep your head down that long?"

Number 9

Golfer: "I'd move heaven and earth to break 100 on this course."

Caddie: "Try heaven, you've already moved most of the earth."

Number 8

Golfer: "Do you think my game is improving?"

Caddie: "Yes You miss the ball much closer now."

Number 7

Golfer: "Do you think I can get there with a 5 iron?"

Caddie: "Eventually."

Number 6

Golfer: "You've got to be the worst Caddie in the world."

Caddie: "I don't think so That would be too much of a coincidence."

Number 5

Golfer: "Please stop checking your watch all the time. It's too much of a distraction."

Caddie: "It's not a watch - it's a compass."

Number 4

Golfer: "How do you like my game?"

Caddie: "It's very good - but personally, I prefer golf."

Number 3

Golfer: "Do you think it's a sin to play on Sunday?"

Caddie: "The way you play, it's a sin on any day."

Number 2

Golfer: "This is the worst course I've ever played on."

Caddie: "This isn't the golf course We left that an hour ago."

And the Number 1 Best Caddie Comment:

Golfer: "That can't be my ball, it's too old."

Caddie: "It's been a long time since we teed off, sir."

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