

SENIOR GOLFER'S SOCIETY OF KWAZULU-NATAL NEWSLETTER

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Welcome all Senior Golfer's Society members

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

BIRTHDAYS

There were 18 Birthdays in September 2014. There was one in the eighties and two in the nineties.

Birthdays in the Eighties:

Jeremy Nel turned 80 on September 21st. He was born in 1934.

Birthdays in the Nineties:

Denis Barrett turned 91 on September 28th. He was born in 1923. Well done Denis.

Topsy Fanner turned 93 on September 21st. He was born in 1921. Well done Topsy.

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

NEW MEMBERS

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

Name	Home Number	Cell Number
Corrie Meintjes	033 347-1299	082 853 1669

COMPETITION RESULTS

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

The annual match against the North Coast Seniors was played on Wednesday 3rd September at

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Umhlali. 47 of our members and a sub from the North Coast Seniors competed in this Better Ball Match. Each four ball consisted of a pair of KZN Society Seniors pitted against a pair of North Coast Seniors. Team scores were 2 points for a win, 1 point for a tie and nothing for a loss. Unfortunately the North Coast Seniors were too good for our members and won handsomely by 31 to 17 points. The Walking Stick Trophy was ceremoniously handed over to Arno de Wet by our Captain of the day, Bob Rickards.

Results of the day were:

Team Result:

1 st	North Coast Seniors	31 Points
2 nd	KZN Seniors	17 Points

Individual Better Ball Stableford Results:

1 st	M Hall and Bob Martin	47 Points
2 nd	N Owen and R Turner (North Coast Seniors)	44 Points
3 rd	R Peinke and P Mills (North Coast Seniors)	43 Points
	<u>On a Count Out From:</u>	
4 th	R Laatz and A de Wet (North Coast Seniors)	43 Points
	<u>On a Count Out From:</u>	
5 th	D Spilsbury and J Marriot (North Coast Seniors)	43 Points

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

Last year we were unable to play our annual match against the Midland SAGES at Bosch Hoek. Instead the match was played at the Howick Golf Club. Bosch Hoek, the regular venue for this event was undergoing a major programme of refurbishment and redesign. As a result we were looking forward to the golfing experience on the upgraded Bosch Hoek Golf Course and Club House.

32 of our members competed against 32 Midland SAGES in the Better Ball Stableford format. The upgraded golf course was in superb condition, notwithstanding the very dry winter we have had and the refurbished club house is five star standard. Once again the KZN Senior Golfers' Society team was victorious, but this year by a much reduced margin. Better Ball scoring was outstanding with two couples from our Society posting 50 Stableford points each.

There is no doubt that the Bosch Hoek event will be a venue of choice amongst our members next year and we advise you to get your entries in early if you are to be part of the 32 player team.

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Results of the day were:

1 st	KZN Seniors	17 Match Points
2 nd	Midland SAGES	15 Match Points

Individual Better Ball Stableford Results:

1 st	Charles Severn and Trevor Beuthin	50 Points
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On a Count Out From:

2 nd	Bob Rickards and Mike Weeden	50 Points
3 rd	Mike Bradfield and Chris Good	48 Points
4 th	Garth Charlton and Jim Little (Midland SAGES)	47 Points

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 each 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.

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.

This event is sponsored by John MacKinnon, Ian McIntosh and Richard Erasmus.

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

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possible and don't leave it to the last minute.

This event is sponsored by Roger Mentzel, Stef Nel, Peter Thomson and Tony Hallett.

Saturday 1 and Sunday 2 November 2014 - Annual Triangular Match between Gauteng, Free State and KZN at the Harrismith Golf Club

Entry Form was sent out under separate cover.

We require a team of 16 to compete for the Annual Triangular Trophy in Harrismith. Your Captain, Alistair Forbes, will shortly be selecting the team, so if you have not yet entered and would like to be considered please send in your entry! Gauteng has won this trophy for the last three years. Free State has also been repetitive winners in the recent past.

Tuesday 11 November 2014 - Better Ball Bonus Bogey at Victoria Country Club

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

Entries close on Friday 31 October 2014.

Sponsors to be advised.

Tuesday 25 November 2014 - Better Ball Stableford at Zimbali Country Club

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

Entries close on the website on Friday 14 November 2014.

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Monday 8 December 2014 - Charity Day Alliance at Durban Country Club - BEACHWOOD COURSE

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

Entries close on Friday 28 November 2014. As this is our year end Charity Day event, you may choose your four ball if you wish.

This annual event at the end of each year is in aid of the three hospices that the Society supports, namely Highway Hospice in Durban, Msunduzi Hospice in Pietermaritzburg and Lighthouse Hospice (trading as Khanya Hospice) which is located in Port Shepstone. The donations received from our members are essential to assist with much needed equipment required for patient care and very much appreciated by the Hospices. **Please be generous with your donations, either on the day or by means of a cheque or EFT. Our target this year is once again R30 000.00, which will give each hospice R10 000.00.**

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This event is sponsored by Dumpy Dyer, Mike Hankinson, Murray Grindrod and Alistair Forbes.

There will be a Starting Sheet for all the above events.



All our competitions are kindly sponsored by:

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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.

Change of Membership Category

As mentioned in previous Newsletters, there comes a time when active playing members reach the stage in their golfing activities when, due to advancing years, illness, or other extenuating circumstances, they wish to change their membership category. If any member is contemplating making such a change to his membership category, please can you inform the Secretariat before the end of October 2014. This will ensure that when we all receive an invoice at the beginning of January we will be billed with the appropriate subscription and save Colleen an enormous amount of admin work.

Payments

With the year-end approaching 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. This is especially relevant to those members who bank with Investec. 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.

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

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should not have!

Some members are still saying "... but I am handicapped off the blue tees...!" This is absolutely not the case. Each of us has an official handicap and the tee position from which you play any round of golf is taken into account when you enter your score via the computer network. All of our competitions are played off the club (white) club tees. If you choose to play in such competitions off the forward tees you must adjust your handicap downwards by the relevant differential in tee ratings.

Furthermore, you should tell the scorer that you are 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 in course rating for the two tees 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

Don't Mess with Old Women

An old woman prospector walked slowly into town leading her mule. The woman headed straight for the only saloon for something to clear her parched throat.

She walked up to the saloon and tied her mule to the hitch rail. As she stood there, brushing some of the dust from her face and clothes, a young gunslinger stepped out through the swing doors of the saloon with a gun in one hand and a bottle of whisky in the other.

The gunslinger looked at the woman and laughed, saying "hey woman have you ever danced?"

The woman looked up at the gunslinger and said, "no, I never did dance... Never really wanted to."

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A crowd had gathered as the gunslinger grinned and said, "well, you old bag, you're gonna dance now," and started shooting at the woman's feet.

The woman - not wanting to get her toe's blown off -started hopping around as everybody laughed.

When his last bullet had been fired, the gunslinger, still laughing, holstered his gun and turned to go back into the saloon.

The woman turned to her pack mule, pulled out a double-barrelled shotgun, and cocked both hammers.

The loud clicks carried clearly through the air. The crowd stopped laughing immediately.

The gunslinger heard the sounds too, and he turned around very slowly. The silence was almost deafening.

The crowd watched as the gunman stared at the woman and the large gaping holes of those twin barrels.

The shotgun never wavered in the woman's hands, as she quietly said, "son, have you ever kissed a mule's ass?"

The gunslinger swallowed hard and said, "no maam... But... I've always wanted to."

There are a few lessons for us all here:

- 1 - Never be arrogant..
- 2 - Don't waste ammunition.
- 3 - Whisky makes you think you're smarter than you are.
- 4 - Always, always make sure you know who has the power.
- 5 - Don't mess with old women; they didn't get old by being stupid...

PARTING SHOTS

Why golf is better than sex

1. A below par performance is considered damn good.
2. You can stop in the middle and have a cheeseburger and a couple of beers.
3. Your partner doesn't hire a lawyer if you play with someone else.

No one believes seniors . . . everyone thinks they are senile.

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An elderly couple was celebrating their sixtieth anniversary. The couple had married as childhood sweethearts and had moved back to their old neighbourhood after they retired. Holding hands, they walked back to their old school. It was not locked, so they entered, and found the old desk they'd shared, where Jerry had carved I love you, Sally.

On their way back home, a bag of money fell out of an armoured car, practically landing at their feet. Sally quickly picked it up and, not sure what to do with it, they took it home. There, she counted the money - fifty thousand dollars!

Jerry said, We've got to give it back.

Sally said, Finders keepers. She put the money back in the bag and hid it in their attic.

The next day, two police officers were canvassing the neighbourhood looking for the money, and knocked on their door. Pardon me, did either of you find a bag that fell out of an armoured car yesterday?

Sally said, No.

Jerry said, She's lying. She hid it up in the attic.

Sally said, Don't believe him, he's getting senile

The agents turned to Jerry and began to question him.

One said: Tell us the story from the beginning.

Jerry said, Well, when Sally and I were walking home from school yesterday

The first police officer turned to his partner and said, We're outta here!

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