

# SENIOR GOLFERS' SOCIETY OF KWAZULU NATAL



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## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

### **Obituaries**

Sadly, the following Associate Members passed on:

Mick Hyatt who joined the Society in 1994

### **New Members**

We welcomed Deryck Willans of Kloof CC as an Active Member at our fixture on 11 July 2024 at Umhlali CC.



### **New Provisional Members**

Lennie Botha of Durban CC

Greg Bishop of Athlone GC

Gordon Rechner of Kloof CC

Should you have any comments regarding proposed membership of Provisional Members, please discuss this with a committee member.

If you would like to propose a suitable candidate, please contact the Secretariat.

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## COMPETITION RESULTS

### MARITZBURG GOLF CLUB – Betterball Stableford BILL EDMONDS Trophy 21 May 2024

Belgium Chocolates Colin Everson  
Whynotte Service Station Attendance: Les Orchard  
Attendance Book: Greg Hughes  
Number of 2's 3  
Nearest The Pin: 8 th Greg Hughes  
14th Peter Comrie

1st	Andre de Valence & Greg Hughes	47 Pts
2nd	Colin Everson & Mike Norton	46 Pts
3rd	Dave Rossler & Mike Jones onco from Frans Kemper & Les Orchard	45 Pts

The annual Bill Edmonds trophy event was held at Maritzburg Golf Club on 21 May 2024. The day itself was a lovely autumn day with perfect conditions and no wind. A smallish field of 36 participated, this was more than likely down to the continuous road works happening between Durban and Pmburg., but despite this all arrived timeously.

Although the course was fairly dry and we all felt like big hitters again, the greens were holding and those that did play complimented the condition of the course and the improvements that have been made and this was evident in the results , bearing in mind we all played off 85% of handicap.

We look forward to playing there again next year, hopefully with a bigger field to play in one of our trophy Events.



**Winners Andre de Valence and Greg Hughes**

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**ROYAL DURBAN GC – Betterball Stableford  
PRESIDENTS PUTTER Trophy**

**25 June 2024**

Whynotte Service Station: Darrol Crouch  
John Gatherer Book: Brian Attwood-Smith  
Errol Taylor Belgium Chocolates Doug Aitken  
Number of 2's: 6  
Nearest The Pin: 6<sup>th</sup> -  
14<sup>th</sup> -

1 <sup>st</sup>	Bob Thomas & Kevin Curren	48 Pts
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lynton Beckett & James Dixon	46 Pts
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Malcolm Hughes & Macco Addisos	44 Pts

A bright sunny day with a brisk south westerly wind greeted the field of 56 players competing for the annual President’s Putter 4 BBB Trophy event held at Royal Durban Golf Club on Tuesday 25 June.

The course was in fine condition and set up in a fairly friendly manner. Despite the windy conditions scores were very good with the winners Kevin Curren and Bob Thomas coming in with 48 points, Kevin posting an exceptional 5 under par 67 gross.

An earlier than normal start made for prize giving being held just before 4.30 pm thus allowing members to enjoy the normal post-match camaraderie and still leave for home timeously before dark.



**Winners Kevin Curren & Bob Thomes**

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**UMHLALI CC -- Betterball Stableford**  
**15 July 2024**

Whynotte Service Station:		James Dixon
John Gatherer Book:		Tony Graham
Belgium Chocolates		Keith Hales
Number of 2's:		7
Nearest The Pin:	4 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Graham
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Colin Everson

1 <sup>st</sup>	Mike Graham & Lennie Botha	42 Pts
2 <sup>nd</sup>	John Gatherer & Greg Bishop onco	40 Pts
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Hugh McGibbon & Keith Hales onco Allan van der Veen & Mickey Tramontino	40 Pts

Umhlali Country Club were very accomodating by charging us reasonable fees and made the Seniors feel very welcome at the club. The local Captain, Keith Ferreira joined us and thoroughly enjoyed the day

It was an early 09:25 start on a typical balmy winter's morning with the last 4 ball teeing off at 11.00am. With hardly any wind till after midday conditions were ideal. The one tee start is never good, but with the efficient starter, and relatively quick halfway house with good quality food, we managed to have Prize giving at 4.15pm in the newly renovated clubhouse, which was enjoyed by all of us.

The greens were being treated for disease, so the condition of the course was a bit below the standard we are used to at Umhlali. The white tees presented a reasonably long challenge.

All in all, everyone enjoyed the day and felt Umhlali must stay on the Seniors roster.



**Winners Lennie Botha & Mike Graham**



**GOWRIE FARM GC -- Betterball Stableford**  
**LAL GREENE Trophy**  
**12 August 2024**

Belgium Chocolates			Mike Norton
Whynotte Service Station:			Wayne Hook
John Gatherer Book:			Geoff Leaver
Number of 2's			3
Nearest The Pin:	Hole No:	2	Charles Reid
	Hole No.	14	Frans Kemper

Winner of the Lal Green Trophy (Durban vs Outlying): Coastal (8) beat Inland (6)

1 <sup>st</sup>	Hugh McGibbon & Jack Bassage	41 Pts
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mike Norton & Chris Good onco	39 Pts
3 <sup>rd</sup>	John Gatherer & Greg Bishop	39 Pts

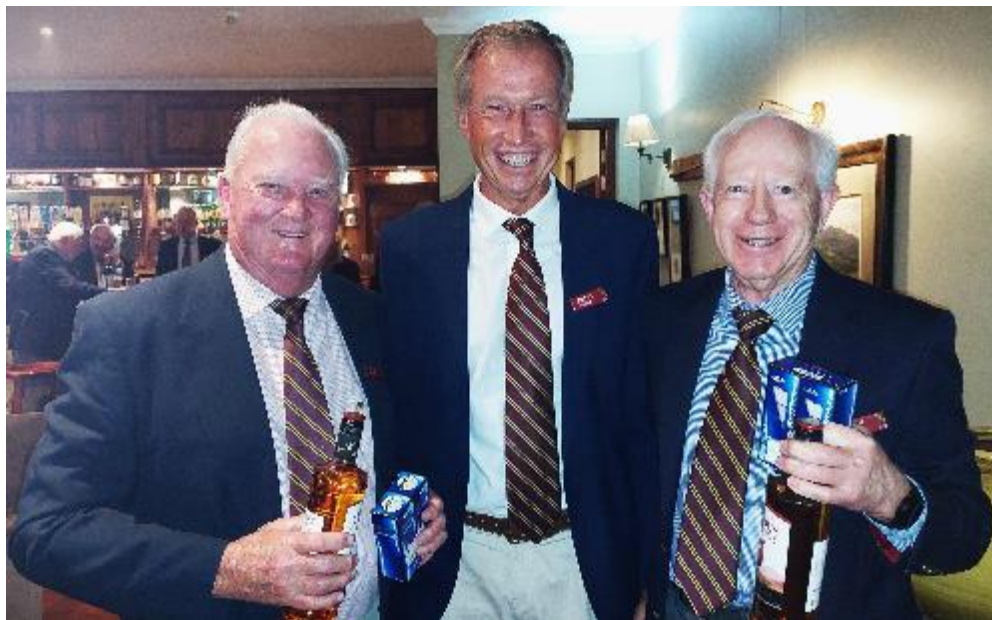
Twenty-seven players teed up at the revamped eighteen-hole Gowrie Farm golf course. A few really enjoyed the new course but many found the bunkers and layout a bit challenging. With the average betterball score of 33, there is reason for the comment that it is a difficult course.

The local Captain, Anthony Barnard joined us. The Durban “Coastal” teams overpowered the Outlying “Inland” teams to win the Lan Greene Trophy.

After a chilly windy start the day was sunny and warm over midday, but we finished in a very chilly wind. The warm clubhouse was very welcome, and we had a good prize giving before twenty of us (including 3 wives) moved over to The Bierfassl for a very festive supper.



**Leigh Mann receiving the Lal Greene Trophy**



**Winners Jack Bassage & Hugh McGibbon**



**Some of those who attended the supper at The Bierfassl**

**BOSCH HOEK GC -- Betterball Stableford  
KHUHLA Trophy**

Belgium Chocolates lucky draw: Andrew Smythe

Number of 2's 2

Nearest The Pin: Hole No: 5 Llewellyn Keating (SAGES)

Hole No. 16 Arthur Hemple (SAGES)

Winner of the Khula Trophy: SAGES (35.87) beat Senior Golfers (34.86)

1 <sup>st</sup>	Andre de Valence & Brian Stokoe	42 Pts
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jack Bassage & Les Orchard onco	41 Pts
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Llewellyn Keating & Reg Dold (SAGES)	41 Pts

Forty-eight players teed up at Bosch Hoek for the annual Khehla Trophy played against SAGES. As The Senior Golfers had eight more players than SAGES we agreed to decide the Trophy on the average Betterball scores. We also had a shotgun start which was unusual.

After a fairly cold windy start, the day turned out to be lovely and warm, and everyone enjoyed the “best 9-hole course in SA”.

Prize giving was held outside due to the lovely weather. As it was a shotgun start with pressure on the shower, many players stayed in their kit.



**Greg Bye (SAGES Captain) receiving the Khehla Trophy**



**Winners Brian Stokoe & Andre de Valence**



**Prize Giving at Bosch Hoek GC**

## UPCOMING FIXTURES

As Durban Country Club has become very expensive, we have moved our 27 August fixture to Kloof CC. It is an Alliance where you may choose your 4-ball. Late entries will be accepted if practical.

We have the Pinehurst Foursomes trophy fixture at Royal Durban Golf Club on Tuesday 12 Sept – you may choose your partner.

## Remaining Fixture List for 2024

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#### REMAINING FIXTURE LIST 2024

Venue	Day	Date	Month	Playing Format
<b>Kloof Country Club **</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Alliance Stableford</b>
<b>Royal Durban Golf Club (Pinehurst Foursomes Trophy) **</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Sep</b>	<b>Pinehurst Stableford</b>
<b>Kloof Country Club</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>Alliance Stableford</b>
<b>Mount Edgecome Country Club -- The Woods</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>Better Ball Stableford</b>
<b>Annual Triangular Match (OFS/KZN/GAU)</b>	<b>Sat/Sun</b>	<b>2-3</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Matches</b>
<b>Amanzimtoti Golf Club</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Better Ball Stableford</b>
<b>Royal Durban Golf Club (Charity Day) **</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Charity Day Alliance</b>

**\* Nationals will not be counted towards the member's annual playing commitment**

**\*\* You may choose your own partner or 4 ball**



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## **NEWS ITEMS**

- **Current Membership**

We have 111 Active Members and 11 Inactive Members.  
We also have 25 Associate Members making a total of 147 Members.

Our Quota of Active Members to 132.

Stats for this year:

New Members	1
Obituaries	3
Transfers out	0
Transfers in	0
Resignations / Terminations from A	3
Resignations / Terminations from I	1
Resignations / Terminations from AM	2
Provisional Members	3

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