

SENIOR GOLFERS' SOCIETY OF KWAZULU-NATAL



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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

New Members

We welcome Evan Mexson as an Active members in our Society. Evan will be formally welcomed at the next available prize giving.

Provisional Members

Kevin Curren (Durban CC) has played his first game with us as a Provisional Member.

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.

FIXTURES

These have been severely impacted by the Covid 19 pandemic.

We are on track to have our first post lockdown fixture at Mt Edgecome on 28 July. The web entries are open and you can email us your entry. It will be a very different type of fixture but we need to adapt to the situation.

Unfortunately the following fixtures had to be postponed / cancelled. We plan to reschedule the fixtures for the rest of the year if some form of normality returns to fit in a few of the courses we missed during lockdown.

24 Mar 2020 – Maritzburg Golf Club – Bill Edmonds Trophy

19 April 2020 – Nationals in EL

12 May 2020 – DCC

26 May 2020 – VCC

9 June 2020 – Zimbali

22 June – Gowrie (we tried to hold this but only had 7 entries)

23 June – Bosch Hoek

16-17 July -- Southbroom

All our competitions are kindly sponsored by:

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SOCIETY NEWS

• Activity during lockdown

Your committee has been busy working remotely. We held our first very successful Zoom committee meeting, and have managed to resolve a number of issues.

These include:

- the printing of the 2020 booklet – available at Mt Edgecome
- Retiring a number of Associate Members who have lost touch with the Society.
- Revising prizes – see below
- Agreed on a Sponsor Advertising policy – see below
- Office Internet / phone – see below
- Office Security & Insurance.

• Current Membership

We have 144 Active Members and 20 Inactive Members, making 164 out of our Quota of 175. We also have 28 Associate Members making a total of 192 Members.

Stats for this year:

Deceased	1
Active Resigned	1
Inactive Resigned	2
Associate Members retired	18
New Members	4
Provisional	1

Mike Houston was one of the Inactive Members who resigned as he has now settled in the Marbella area of Spain. He invites any of our members who want a game of golf or just a cold beer or a bed to contact him on +34722353406.

- **Nationals 18-22 April 2021 in East London**

It has been decided that as the 2020 Nationals were cancelled, the roster will move out a year and so we plan to be in East London in 2021. This will enable those who had booked flights and accommodation to utilise their deposits.

As a result John Terry-Lloyd will be the SGUSA President from in 2022/23, and KZN will host the 2023 Nationals

- **Revision of Prizes**

The Covid-19 lockdown has put our economy under further strain and as a result we have decided to reduce our prizes slightly.

In future the following prizes will be awarded:

Prize	
1 st	1 Whisky, 2 Sleeves Balls
2 nd	1 Red Wine , 1 Sleeves Balls
3 rd	1 White wine
Nearest to the pin	1 Sleeve Balls
Attendance	1 Whisky

- **Sponsor Advertising policy**

The committee reviewed the SGUSA and all other Unions' policies on this topic. We decided that we will apply the following:

- Continue booklet sponsorship as is.
- Continue to announce our sponsors at prize giving.
- Offer to display all sponsors logos in our Newsletters.
- Based on an annual threshold, offer qualifying sponsors a full page in our Newsletters for generic advertisements (\geq R20 000) and a half page for \geq R10 000 but $<$ R20 000. It is proposed that these thresholds be subject to inflationary increases.
- Sponsors should not be given membership lists or email addresses nor should advertisements be sent to members on behalf of sponsors.

- **2020 Booklet**

This is printed and available at fixtures / the office

- **Champs course set-up**

There was a feeling that the course set-up for our champs this year was too difficult. It was agreed that there will be no attempt to make the course difficult in future, but Champs should remain a challenge.

- **2020 Fixtures -- please enter via the web: <https://www.kznseniors.com/>**

The upcoming fixtures for 2020 are as follows. We are busy rescheduling the remaining fixtures to fit in a few more games.

Mount Edgecombe Country Club.	Tuesday	28	Jul	Better Ball Stableford
Royal Durban (President's Putter Trophy) **	Tuesday	11	Aug	Better Ball Stableford
Umhlali Country Club	Tuesday	25	Aug	Better Ball Stableford

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

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

- **Office Phone**

Due to Telkom discontinuing copper lines, and for cost effectiveness, we have terminate the office phone number.

Please use Meg or Hugh's cell phone numbers – listed below



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