



SENIOR GOLFERS SOCIETY OF THE FREE STATE
SENIORS GHOLFPELERSVERENIGING VAN DIE VRYSTAAT

NEWSLETTER NUUSBRIEF

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President: Jan de Wet **Vice-President:** Peter Newton **Captain:** Sep Schrock
Vice-Captain: Loekie Badenhorst **Treasurer:** Johan Grobbelaar **Secretary:** Roy van Zyl
Additional committee members: Colin Francis, Herman Braam, Arthur Gilbert, Willem Slabbert

Birthdays (September-October)

Over eighties:

Willie McLachlan-87 years on the 21st September 2015

Ted Quin-83 years on the 31st October 2015

Over seventies:

Peter Harrington-79 years

Marius du Toit-71 years

Aubrey McLellan-76 years

We wish you all a healthy and a wonderful year ahead.

Competitions

Monthly meeting 15 July 2015:

We were honoured with the presence of eleven ladies joining 47 seniors on our mixed alliance competition.

Testing windy conditions prevailed with most scores not that good. However the winners on an excellent 93 were the Streicher couple with Chris Beukman and Aubrey McLennan



Seen here Chris Beukman, Aubrey McLennan with Helga and Piet Streicher. However the day belonged to Louise van Viegen who scored a hole in one on the 11th hole. Her first of hopefully not last. What made this accomplishment more notable is that she did this four years after her late husband, Peter, who also had a hole in one on the 8th hole.



Louise seen here with Des, Ian Newmann and Marius, her playing partners who witnessed the shot of the day

1-5-08	V MOTHUNYANE				
5-10-08	C VD LINDE	16th			
11-5-07	H BARNES	16th			
7-12-08	C THOLE	11th			
2-3-09	S MOLOSIOA	4th			
20-4-09	M DE WET	4th			
13-6-09	K VERWEY	8th			
13-6-09	H MINNIE	11th			
2-7-09	G KRUGER	11th			
19-7-09	N GOUS	4th			
24-7-09	W KRUGER	8th			
6-6-05	P V SCHALKWYK	11th			
5-10-08	G HENNING	4th			
11-7-09	W FLEMMING	8th			
29-7-09	M TRISOS	11th			
31-7-09	R VISAGIE	4th			
5-8-09	B KITCHING	4th			
24-9-09	M THEKISHO	4th			
10-2-10	JP VIVIERS	11th			
14-2-10		16th			
6-5-11	M. LOTTERING				
13-7-11	P. VAN VIEGEN				16th
3-8-11	A. WEIHMANN				8th
10-8-11	P. MALHERBE				4th
17-8-11	P. DU PLESSIS				11th
30-11-11	J.FOURIE				16th
12-10-11	A.N.CHEMALY				16th
11-11-11	E.KAMBANIS				8th
13-11-11	M. MAZIBUKO				4th
18-1-12	D. BECKER				4th
16-6-12	V.MITCHLEY				4th
24-10-12	R. BOTHA				4th
14-11-12	R.BESSELAAR				8th
15-12-12	M.MULLIGAN				8th
19-12-12	H. VAN ROOYEN				4th
7-1-13	G. GOUWS				
11.1.13	B. MEYBURGH				
5-1-13	L. BOTHA				
26-1-13	A.J. DU RANDT				
13-2-13	R. RIJST				

Peter van Viegen's hole in one (second from the top right) on 13-7-2011.
Four years and four days before Louise made her hole in one today.

New to the Seniors:

Callie Claassens and Niekie Joubert was inaugurated as a new seniors.

Callie has resided in Bloemfontein all his life and has always been a member of the Bloemfontein G C. He is so a tennis player of note.



Seen here Derek Lunt, Rentia Claassens, Callie and Piet Streicher

We extend a hearty welcome to Callie and Rentia and we are honoured to greet Callie as a senior. We know we will have many good times together.

Doughie Lea introduced Niekie Joubert from Welkom.



Doughie and Niekie Joubert

Thanks Niekie for joining. I am convinced that you will be a great asset to the seniors.

As our Free State Seniors' membership has been cut by Mancom from 67 to 60, all new proposals will be kept on a waiting list as we are seven over our allocation.

Monthly meeting 19 August 2015:

Once again we had an attendance of 48 players competing for the Jim Krige trophy. Apologies were received from 15 seniors.

The Bloemfontein G C course was in a good post winter condition and enjoyed by all.

As expected, the scores were excellent with many in the nineties. Willie McLachlin was the nearest to the hole on the 11th hole and Willem Slabbert on the 8th. Doughie Lea, Willem Slabbert, Loekie Badenhorst, Jan de Wet and Des Donald had two clubs.



The 2015 winners of the **Jim Krige** trophy, on 96 points, with the president Jan de Wet are Dyson Bowen, Johann Schuster, Koos Kritzinger and Abrie de Wet

(**Jim Krige**, a medical practitioner, was a member of the seniors for several years. He was also honoured with a MBE decoration for services rendered to the several communities.)

Monthly meeting 16 September 2015:

A lovely Schoemanspark GC entertained 43 of our seniors on a perfect day for golf. The greens, after being hollow tined a few weeks ago, now rolled well.

The winners on an excellent 49 point were Pierre Grobler, who shot a gross of 73, and Koos Kritzinger. Close on their heels were Tobie Myburgh and Des Cahu on 47 points.

We had a novelty in that Dudley van Aswegen sponsored the nearest to the hole prizes with **Energizer** products. This will continue for the next four monthlies. Thank you so much Dudley!!



Dudley van Aswegen, suppliers of Energizer products, our sponsor, with some of his products with Koos Kritzinger looking on

Dudley with some of the Energizer products with Koos Kritzinger looking on



Pierre Grobler and Koos Kritzinger winners on 49 points

Pierre and Koos proud winners of the day

Blacklaws 9 August 2015:

Once again we had a lovely day for the second leg of our biannual competition against our North Cape neighbours, played at Kimberly G C.

Twenty players on each side contested for the honour of being holders of this coveted (Earless) cup.

This time however, home course advantage prevailed and the Northern Cape side surprised the Free Staters beating them in grand style by 9 points to one!! Well done to our diamond friends!! See you in Bloemies next year.

Fiorri Aquadro:

This competition once again took place at the Oppenheimer G C in Welkom.

24 players enjoyed the day and participated in a good spirit.



Some of the seniors having afterthought and contemplations with some brew.



Chris McComb and Thinus Engelbrecht winners of the day with excellent 49 Stableford points.

(Last year the winners of this cup were the late Wally Matthews and Doughie Lea)

Tuesday School:

As usual the Tuesday school still presents its surprises. On the 23rd of June 14 players pitched and the big surprise was the winners on 91 points



The winners of the day on 91 points

The content winners: Klippie, Erwin and Willie



Tuesdayers

You can see Seppie has no clue what Piet's talking about. Wynand doubtful. Roy's amazing new e mail en Kooe loer na die patetiese tekkart van die verfoorders! Ek-Chris, Willy en Ted!

Some of the other competing seniors



On the 30th June 10 Tuesdayers turned up and once again the winners were Erwin, Klippie and Willie. This time however with 93 points. True champions!

And then the 7th July Tuesday school happened. Revenge was on the cards. New winners!!



Wynand found it amusing that Erwin, Willie and Klippie, winners of the previous two Tuesdays, were nicked by Roy, Aubrey and Des (with only 82 points).

On spring day, 1 September 2015, 20 players turned up at Schoemanspark G C for our Tuesday outing.



Jan, organizer of the Tuesday school, congratulated the winners, with 96 Stableford point, on a count out, Ted Quin, Willie McLachlin, Erwin Wolf and Roy van Zijl

The Tuesday School meets every Tuesday at 11h00 (except the day before the monthly meeting) for a very enjoyable social round of golf and social encounter.
All are very welcome to join.

Thanksgiving braai

In order to thank everyone participating in the organization of the National Seniors Tournament held in Bloemfontein, a braai was held at the SGC. The braai and refreshments were excellent and enjoyed by all.



Seen here our President, in his usual braai attire, looks on as Arthur Gilbert conveys his sincere thanks to all who assisted during the National tournament



Some of the attendees at the braai. Johan and Drienie Kuhn with Piet and Helga in the foreground

Annual Seniors/Sages golfdag

On the 8th of September 2015, the SGC was once again the setting for our biannual golf day with the Sages. The course was in a fine condition with the greens rolling reasonably well after being hollow tined a few weeks ago. Once again we had a good attendance.

The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all especially our winners on 92 points.



The winners, a five ball, who won on 92 points were Fief van der Merwe, Klippie Melck, Magda Moolman, Ching and Cliffie Collett.



Some of the participants of the Seniors/Sages day

“History of the Free State Seniors.”-The first newsletter edition.

By George Sabbagha

The Seniors committee has asked me to do some research into the Free State Society's history. My only source of information at present is the minutes of the Society's meetings since the inception of the Society in 1948. I am teeling off with the first meeting's minutes, and thereafter I intend to work through the minutes of successive meetings and to jot down items which I think would be of some interest to members. Please feel free to approach me at any time with comments/advice, etc.

George Sabbagha

MINUTES OF THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE SENIOR GOLFERS' SOCIETY OF THE ORANGE FREE STATE AND BASUTOLAND, HELD AT THE RAMBLERS CLUB, BLOENFONTEIN, ON TUESDAY, 25th MAY, 1948, AT 5.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. A.S.Leith (in the chair).

and

MESSRS. D.J. van den Heever, C.T. Smith, D.B. Eager, H.P. Viljoen, J. Rothwell, E.F. Nussey, D.F. Britz, R. v B. Pritchard, W.D. Jones, E.J. Grinter, J.M.K. MacKenzie, G.H. van Rensburg, R.A. Rossiter, W. Campbell, W.L. Mc Call, C. Snit, L.V. Goen and G.L. Smethan.

The Chairman stated that he had been approached by a number of golfers who had attained the age of 55, to form a Society for the Free State and Basutoland on similar lines to existing Senior Golfers' Societies in other parts of the Union, and in anticipation of the formation of such a Society he had prepared a draft Constitution which would be submitted to the meeting.

IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:

To form a Senior Golfers' Society of the Orange Free State and Basutoland, and all those present signified their willingness to be members of the Society.

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

The Chairman submitted draft Rules and Regulations for this Society which he had prepared on lines similar to those of the Senior Golfers' Society of the Transvaal. Certain amendments to the Transvaal Constitution had been made in order that it would be more appropriate to the Society in the Free State.

Considerable discourse took place on the question whether membership to the Society should be by ballot of members or by the decision of the Committee, as provided for in the Constitution before the Meeting. It was finally decided that membership should be by the decision of the Committee after having screened the names of the applicants.

It was also decided that the Committee be given power to suspend Entrance Fees for new members.

The Rules and Regulations were thereupon unanimously adopted subject to the above amendments.

In terms of the Constitution the Chairman stated that it would now be necessary to elect Officers and a Committee for the ensuing year.

The following Officers were unanimously elected:

President: Mr. W.L. McCall; Vice-President: Mr. E.F. Nussey;
Captain: Mr. J.M. MacKenzie; Vice-Captain: Mr. W.D. Jones;
Hon. Secretary: Mr. A.S. Leith; Committee members: Messrs. D.F. Britz; H.F. Viljoen; G.L. Smethan and J. Rothwell.

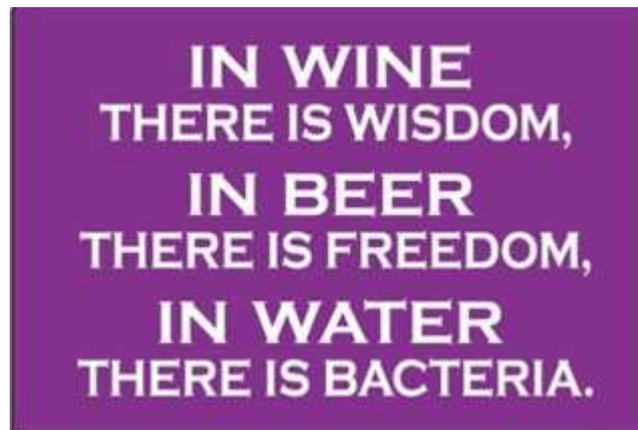
Inkpot on humor:

Confucius did say:

Man who lives in glass house should change clothes in basement.

And, CONFUCIUS DID NOT SAY:

"A lion will not cheat on his wife, but a Tiger Wood!"



AS I AGE, I REALIZE THAT:

1. I talk to myself, because sometimes I need expert advice.
2. The biggest lie I tell myself is "I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it."
3. When I was a child I thought nap time was punishment. Now it's like a mini holiday.
4. When the grand kids text me "plz" which is shorter than please. I text back "no" which is shorter than "yes".
5. At my age "Getting lucky" means walking into a room and **remembering** what I came in there for.

MEN ARE JUST HAPPIER PEOPLE

What do you expect from such simple creatures? Your last name stays put.

People never stare at your chest when you're talking to them.

A five-day vacation requires only one suitcase.

If someone forgets to invite you, he or she can still be your friend.

MONEY

- A man will pay \$2 for a \$1 item he needs.
- A woman will pay \$1 for a \$2 item that she doesn't need but it's on sale.

MARRIAGE

- A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he doesn't.
- A man marries a woman expecting that she won't change, but she does.

DRESSING UP

- A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the trash, answer the phone, read a book, and get the mail.
- A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.

NATURAL

- Men wake up as good-looking as they went to bed.
- Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

OFFSPRING

- Ah, children. A woman knows all about her children. She knows about dentist appointments and romances, best friends, favorite foods, secret fears and hopes and dreams.

· A man is vaguely aware of some **short people** living in the house.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

A married man should forget his mistakes. There's no use in two people remembering the same thing!

That's all folks.

Till next time!

Adios!



Ink Pot/Inkpot

(Thanks to Tessa of
and E-mailing)



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