

President's Corner



I am delighted that the "silly season" is over for another year, and that we can get on with the serious business of playing Seniors golf again. I missed your company and camaraderie, and was delighted to tee it up at PCC last month. I hope that 2016 will be a healthy and happy year for you all.

At our Seniors steering committee meeting in July last year, the subject of inter-society golfing weekends was discussed and indeed encouraged. It seems that

Northern Gauteng are reticent to join in these wonderful opportunities to socialise with our friends from neighbouring societies, and I would like to encourage everyone to consider the weekend planned for **Val-De-Grace** in **Parys** towards the end of February.

We would like to send a team of twelve to spend one night, and two days playing against Central Gauteng, Northern Cape and Free State over a weekend (dates to be confirmed very soon). Gathering with like minded people who love playing golf, and enjoy one another's company is what Seniors golf is all about, and we should embrace it totally. Lets get together and ensure we participate.

Eclectic 2016

Top Ten and ties after three rounds:

| Harold Teague | 49 | Bruce Edwards | 44 |
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| Pauli Jenkinson | 48 | Bennie Geeringh | 44 |
| Jamie Paola | 48 | Derek Ackermann | 43 |
| Björn Schildt | 48 | Ray Wilkinson | 43 |
| Brian Richter | 47 | Tony Yared | 43 |
| Stephan Ferreira | 46 | Paul Pelser | 43 |
| Iohan Heunis | 45 | | |

2017 Seniors
National Tournament

Date: 2-7 April 2017

Venue: Cape Town



FEBRUARY

- 5 Johan Coetzee (70)
- 14 Ludick Venter
- 23 Anni Morris Neo Mpipi
- 28 Colin MacKenzie
- 29 Anne Grace

Diary

FEBRUARY

- 4 Away game: Irene CC
- 5 General Committee Meeting
- 18 Away game: Els Club-Copperleaf

MARCH

- 3 Away game: Silver Lakes CC
- 16 Home game: PCC followed by the Annual General Meeting

APRIL

- 13 Home game: PCC
- 18-22 Seniors National Tournament in Port Elizabeth

MAY

- 10 Away game: Zwartkop GC25 Away game: Centurion CC
- **IUNE**
- 9 Away game: Royal Jhb & Kensington: "Across the Border" Gauteng Society versus GN Society
- 29 Home game: PCC

IULY

- 13 Away game: Centurion CC
- 28 Away game: Irene CC (hosted by Gauteng Society)

AUGUST

- 17 Away Game: Woodhill CC
- 31 Home Game: PCC

SEPTEMBER

- 14 Away Game: Wingate Park CC
- 28 Home Game: PCC

OCTOBER

- 12 Home Game: PCC: Championships & Annual Dinner with Spouses/Partners
- 27 Away Game: Waterkloof GC

NOVEMBER

- 9 Home Game: PCC: "Across the Border" — Gauteng North Society versus Gauteng Society
- 24 Away Game: Services GC

Golf Poem

In My Hand I Hold A Ball, White And Dimpled, And Rather Small. Oh, How Bland It Does Appear, This Harmless Looking Little Sphere.

By Its Size I Could Not Guess
The Awesome Strength It Does Possess.
But Since I Fell Beneath Its Spell,
I've Wandered Through The Fires Of Hell.

My Life Has Not Been Quite The Same Since I Chose To Play This Stupid Game. It Rules My Mind For Hours On End; A Fortune It Has Made Me Spend.

It Has Made Me Curse And Made Me Cry, And Hate Myself And Want To Die. It Promises Me A Thing Called Par, If I Hit It Straight And Far.

> To Master Such A Tiny Ball, Should Not Be Very Hard At All. But My Desires The Ball Refuses, And Does Exactly As It Chooses.

It Hooks And Slices, Dribbles And Dies, And Disappears Before My Eyes. Often It Will Have A Whim, To Hit A Tree Or Take A Swim.

With Miles Of Grass On Which To Land, It Finds A Tiny Patch Of Sand. Then Has Me Offering Up My Soul, If Only It Would Find The Hole.

It's Made Me Whimper Like A Pup,
And Swear That I Will Give It Up.
And Take To Drink To Ease My Sorrow,
But The Ball Knows ... I'll Be Back Tomorrow.

Stand proud you noble swingers of clubs
And losers of balls!

A recent study found that the average golfer Walks about 900 miles a year.

Another study found that golfers drink, on Average, 22 gallons of alcohol a year.

This means that, on average, golfers get about 41 miles to the gallon!

Kind of makes you proud. Almost makes you Feel like a *hybrid*......







