



# NEWSLETTER

## JULY 2016



At our June Committee meeting, a number of important issues were discussed and I would like to share these with you.

### **Membership**

As you are aware, at its strategic planning meeting last year, MANCOM approved a quota increase to 90 active members for Gauteng North. We currently have 7 potential new members in the process of qualifying and these new members, together with our 75 current active members, bring our total potential membership to 82. It is important that we address the issue of the racial mix of our Society, as well as ensuring that we have balanced representation from the many Gauteng North affiliated golf clubs.

As such, it was decided that we will not entertain any new member proposals until this issue has been more fully considered.

### **Summer Dress Code**

From time to time, some members have talked about the introduction of a summer dress code and the committee decided that it would be most appropriate to poll the opinion of all members. As such, we will soon distribute a short questionnaire which will deal with this issue in more detail. I would appreciate it if you would complete this as soon as possible.

### **Constitution changes**

To deal the changes, approved by members at the last AGM, concerning the confirmation of Pretoria Country Club as our home base, our Constitution needs amendment. Another matter that should, in the opinion of the committee, be addressed when the constitution is amended, concerns the maximum age for membership admission. At present our maximum age is 67 years. As the constitution of our national body stipulates a maximum age for admission of 70 years, we should consider amending our constitution to follow suit.

As such, a Special General Meeting of our society will soon be convened to enable members to consider the proposed changes.

### **Website**

Gauteng North, along with Northern Cape, are the only societies who do not have a member website and we have commenced the process to rectify this. Hopefully it will not be too long before our website is up and going.

### **Display cabinet**

We are in the process of finalising arrangements for our display cabinet which is in the stairwell leading down to the men's locker room. If you have any memorabilia that should be displayed in it, please let us know.

### **Rounds played**

We will shortly distribute a summary of rounds played this year. As you know, members are expected to play at least 10 games annually and if you are falling behind, we hope to see far more of you in the remaining matches this year.

### **Quadrangular Match**

We will be fielding a team of 12 players at the quadrangular match to be held with the Free State, Northern Cape and Gauteng Central societies in August. Here's wishing our team good luck and a lot of good fun with our fellow golfers from those provinces.

**Warm regards,  
Graham Damp**

## Competitions & Results



### 9th June: "Across the Border" at Royal Jhb & Kensington GC

A close and tight competition which resulted in our team losing by just ONE point.

Well played everyone!

### 29th June at PCC: Betterball Stableford

- 1st: Chris Roberts and Ray Wilkinson (45 points).  
 2nd: Johann Ströh and Peet du Toit (44 points).  
 3rd: Piet Botha and Sydney Mpipi (44 points).

Congratulations!

## ECLECTIC LEADERBOARD (after 8 games)

### FINAL ROUND: 14 September at Wingate Park CC

Brian Richter	58	Sakkie Perold	52
Pauli Jenkinson	55	Theo Switala	52
Harold Teague	54	Ben Burger	51
Henk Prinsloo	53	Corné Kruger	51
Björn Schildt	53	Jan vd Merwe	51
Errol Baron	52	Ray Wilkinson	51
Martin Brauer	52	Graham Damp	50
Johan Coetzee	52	George Kyriakos	50
Johan Heunis	52	André le Grange	50
Jamie Paola	52	Tony Yared	50

## Diary

### JULY

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

### AUGUST

- 17 Away Game: Woodhill CC  
 31 Home Game: PCC  
 ➤ Special General Meeting & Prize-giving (15-30 minutes) in the Vodacom Room

### SEPTEMBER

- 9 General Committee Meeting  
 14 Away Game: Wingate Park CC  
 ➤ Final Round of the Eclectic competition  
 28 Home Game: PCC

### OCTOBER

- 12 Home Game: PCC



**Society 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

## Birthdays in July

- 1st Colleen Shedden  
 5th Henk Prinsloo  
 5th Trudie de Stadler  
 11th Piero Grobler  
 11th Paula Grobler  
 12th Peter Poole  
 12th Antoinette McKechnie  
 14th Myrle Irons  
 18th Olga Dey  
 19th Freek Steyn  
 20th **Mervyn Haywood (70)**  
 21st Gerda Gouws  
 21st Elrida Willemse  
 22nd Judith Greyling  
 25th Dieter Vogel  
 31st Lukas Fourie



Seniors  
 National Tournament

**2-7 April 2017**

# HUMOUR



Thanks for sharing these fun emails ...  
keep them rolling in, please!

## GOLF BOOK

I have written a golf book and am quite proud of the results. In order to market the publication, I'm asking friends and family to spread the news about this essential read for all golfers. This book gives the reader valuable playing tips and insider information that I have gained through my golfing experiences.

Highlights include —

- Chapter 1: How to Properly Line Up Your Fourth Putt
- Chapter 2: How to Hit a Callaway ball from the Rough, when You Just Hit a Titleist from the Tee
- Chapter 3: How to Get More Distance off the Shank
- Chapter 4: When to Give the Greenkeeper the finger
- Chapter 5: Proper Excuses for Dinking Beer Before 9:00am
- Chapter 6: How to Find that Ball that Everyone Else Saw Go in the Water
- Chapter 7: How to Relax When You Are Hitting Three off the Tee
- Chapter 8: How to Relax When You Are Hitting Five off the Tee
- Chapter 9: When to Suggest Major Swing Corrections to Your Opponent

The book also includes some GOLF TERMINOLOGY:

- A Diego Maradona — a nasty 5 footer
- A Salman Rushdie — an impossible read
- A Rock Hudson — thought it was straight, but it wasn't
- A Putin — needs one more revolution
- An Adolf Hitler — two shots in the bunker
- A Yasser Arafat — ugly and in the sand
- A Kate Moss — a bit thin
- A Gerry Adams — playing a Provisional
- A Rodney King — over-clubbed
- An O.J. Simpson — got away with it
- A Princess Grace — should have taken a driver
- A Princess Di — shouldn't have taken a driver
- An Elephant's arse — high and shitty



Woman inspires us to great things, and prevents us from achieving them.  
**Anonymous**

The great question, which I have not been able to answer ... is,  
"What does a woman want?"  
**Dumas**

I had some words with my wife, and she had some paragraphs with me.  
**Sigmund Freud**

There's a way of transferring funds that is even faster than electronic banking. It's called marriage.  
**Sam Kinison**

The most effective way to remember your wife's birthday is to forget it once ...  
**Nash**

Two secrets to keep your marriage brimming:  
1. Whenever you're wrong, admit it.  
2. Whenever you're right, shut up.  
**Patrick Murray**