SENIOR GOLFERS SOCIETY OF GAUTENG NORTH

Report of the president at the 8th Annual General Meeting on 16th March 2016 held at Pretoria Country Club

A warm Senior's welcome to our 8th Annual General Meeting.

1. MEMBERSHIP

At the meeting of the presidents in July 2015 we were allocated an additional 12 members by Mancom, bringing our quota to 90 members. We advised Mancom that we would grow to that number over a year or two, to ensure we attracted the best people.

We had 70 Active members at end of 2014.

- 7 new members were inducted in 2015.
- We now have 7 non-playing members, after Rodney Falkson and Ed Shedden requested to be transferred to non-active membership.
- Paul Pelser was transferred from non-active, to active membership.
- Tommy du Plessis resigned.
- We lost one member when Brett Oldridge tragically passed away.
- We have 75 active members at the end 2015.

Obituaries

Sadly, we lost Brett Oldridge and Joey Prinsloo last year.

2. EVENTS

2.1 76th SGUSA National Tournament - Bloemfontein

We were represented by 18 members, along with 7 wives making up a very happy team.

We acquitted ourselves well, with Jan van der Merwe winning the best stableford score (41 points) in the second day, playing at Schoeman Park Golf Club.

Our team won the provincial prize.

2.2 Across the Border

38 members played at RJ&K on 23rd July in a game which we narrowly lost, but avenged our defeat by fielding 46 members at PCC on 11th November (94 players in total) where we won by 90 points.

2.3 Championship & Annual Dinner

With 55 members playing, Pieter Krogh, who had recently become a member, prevailed by scoring an impressive 78 gross to become our champion golfer for 2015.

The Individual Stableford competition results were:

- 1st: Tony Yared on 38 points;
- 2nd: Ludick Venter also on 38 points;
- 3rd: Jamie Paola on 36 points.

The Eclectic competition was also a close-run affair:

1st: Dieter Vogel – 59 points;

2nd: Harold Teague – 59 points;

3rd: Corné Kruger – 57 points.

Our hearty congratulations to all the prize winners.

111 members and spouses enjoyed our annual dinner in the Ballroom at PCC.

3. GOLF PLAYED

We participated in 22 organized games in 2015. 1 Social game at Blair Atholl on 18 November, where 21 members played. 958 Rounds were played in 2015.

4. COMMITTEE

My sincere thanks to the committee of Graham Damp, Peter Poole, Paul Jenkinson, Johan Willemse, Harold Teague, Bruce Edwards, Sydney Mpipi, Gerhard vd Linde, Johann Ströh, and of course Carine Oldridge, who has again carried more than her share of the administrative load, thank you Carine.

Our regular meetings were always lively, and we were able to resolve some interesting issues over the year. The interests of the society were always our priority, particularly with regard to the selection of new members, who are the future of our society.

We are very proud that we have a record number of 28 members who will be representing us at Nationals in Port Elizabeth in April.

Our finances were superbly managed by Peter Poole, who is stepping down as Treasurer. His wisdom will be sorely missed. Thank you, Peter for your balanced thinking and wise council.

Your 2016 office bearers are:

Graham Damp – President
Bruce Edwards – Captain
Sydney Mpipi – Secretary
Another - Treasurer
Carine Oldridge – Administrative Secretary

You are requested to vote on the nomination of the following members as additional members to serve on the committee:

- 1. Harold Teague
- 2. Johan Willemse
- 3. Johann Ströh

I am honoured to have served as your president over the past year, and value the tremendous support from both the members, and our committee. Thank you for being such a great group of golfing friends.

Brian Richter

President – Senior Golfers Society of Gauteng North March 2016