

# SENIORS GOLFERS SOCIETY OF GAUTENG NORTH

## Report of the President for the year 2019/2020 at the AGM on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at Pretoria Country Club. CC.

Welcome Gauteng North Seniors, Past Presidents and Captains.

It is my pleasure to present my report for the Society's 12<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting.

### 1. MEMBERSHIP

In the last year we inducted 6 new members and had six guest players playing with us at the moment. The current membership status is as follows:

- Active members: 85
- Non-playing members: 6
- Resignations: 4

The committee decided to increase the number of games a prospective member should play, from two to four games, which will provide all the members of the committee an opportunity to play with the guest.

Members are reminded that they are expected to play at least 50% of the organized games during the year. This year we experienced a slight decline in member participation. I am happy to report that there was an increase in participation of our members during the last few games we played. Please keep it up!

### 2. EVENTS

We hosted a substantial number of successful events during the year.

#### 2.1 80<sup>TH</sup> SGUSA NATIONAL TOURNAMENT HELD IN GEORGE

Twenty Four Members, with a handsome complement of spouses represented our Society in George. We enjoyed a wonderful event and were awarded with superb results.

Congratulations to the following achievers:

- Leslie Stachwell (Trophy Winner) Bjorn Schildt, score 76
- Class B: age 60-64 winner – Wim Fourie, Score 73 **Steels**
- Class C: age 65-69 Runner up – Andre le Grange, Score 69 **steels**
- Class E: age 75+ Winner – Jacot Jacot-Guillarmod, Score 73

- Society Trophy – Winner – Gauteng North, Score 1513



- Team Event – Winner – Gauteng North Team 1, Score 209  
Team members: Derek Ackerman, Piet Botha, Wim Fourie and Corne Kruger
- 4 Ball Alliance (2 scores to count) GN Member: Gerhard van der Linde was part of winning team, Score 81.

### **Ladies Program:**

Bridge Competition:

Winning team: Elaine Grant and Petro Mennen

## **2.2 ACROSS THE BORDER TROPHY GAMES**

The Across the Border Trophy Game played at Royal JHB & Kensington, on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019, was won by Gauteng North.

We wish to thank the Seniors of Gauteng who visited us in November 2019 for the second across the border game of the year. This is a tradition, which should be cherished and nurtured in years to come. Once again Gauteng North was successful in retaining the Trophy.

## **2.3 KZN INTER SOCIETY TOURNAMENT AT SOUTHBROOM IN JULY 2019**

Thank you to Mike Silberman, who was instrumental in initiating and finalizing our participation.

We wish to thank our hosts KZN Seniors Society for their exceptional hospitality and organization of all activities. They really made us feel very welcome and we enjoyed ourselves thoroughly.

Eight Members of our Society represented Gauteng North.  
In the eight Inter provincial matches GN won 5.5 - 2.5.

## **2.4 QUADRANGULAR AT PARYS ON 24/25 AUGUST 2019**

We struggled to get a full team of members to represent Gauteng North which resulted in us having to make use of three guest players, who have since been inducted as members, after completing their required amount of games as guest players. In the end, we were two players short and could not compete against the teams with a full complement of sixteen players.

Hopefully the incoming committee will be more successful in the ensuing year. Gauteng North finished third with the tournament winners being Free State. Northern Cape the organizing Society did a sterling job.

### 3. SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIPS AND ANNUAL DINNER, 16<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2019.

We enjoyed a wonderful evening with our spouses. Thank you to Andre Le Grange for being an excellent Master of Ceremonies and John for doing the prizegiving.

The results of Society's Annual Championships were:

#### Medal Competition:

1<sup>st</sup> Isadore Matunhire

2<sup>nd</sup> Peter Brauer

3<sup>rd</sup> Jamie Paola

#### Stableford:

1<sup>st</sup> Thys de Beer

2<sup>nd</sup> Jacot Jacot-Guillermot

3<sup>rd</sup> Theo Switala

IRON MAN COMPETITION WINNER OF THE DAY: THYS DE BEER

ELECTRIC TROPHY WINNER 2019: THEO SWITALA

A big thank you to Petra who helped making the day and evening a memorable one and congratulations to the winners.

### 4. COMMITTEE

Mike Silberman indicated that he will resign from the Committee but agreed to help with the organization of the inaugural KZN Inter Society Tournament. My sincere thanks go to Mike for the work he did. Piet Botha was elected as a committee member at the AGM. During the year Peet du Toit indicated that he will resign from the committee. Hennie Uys was co-opted onto the committee to take over from Peet.

Thank you Peet for your active involvement on the committee and keeping our financials in good order, as well as presenting our financials later.

I want to thank every Member of the committee for their time, input and enthusiasm during the year. —It was a privilege and indeed an honor to have been part of this committee.

#### The Committee for 2020:

- President: John Loftus

- Captain: Andre Le Grange
- Secretary: Harold Teague
- Treasurer: Hennie Uys
- Two Elected Members: Francois de Vos  
Piet Botha
- Administrative Secretary: Petra Ackerman

There is one vacancy on the committee for election at the AGM on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

I wish to thank Petra, our star, specifically for her perseverance and friendliness with our Society Golf days. Thank you Petra for your continued commitment and assistance during the activities of the Society.

It has been an honour and my pleasure to be your president over the past year. The support from both the members of the Society and Committee is truly appreciated.

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**PRESIDENT**