



ROYAL JOHANNESBURG &  
KENSINGTON GOLF CLUB

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# *The Royal News*

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We are in the eye of a third wave of the Covid-19 pandemic and the climb in new cases has been extraordinary. The current effect of the virus has many members, family, colleagues and friends in isolation or hospital.

Our country continues to go through the most difficult of times but by now, we all know what we have to do to curb the rate of infection and more than ever we must act with discipline to protect ourselves and those around us. Management continues to be proactive in handling risk mitigation and protocol enforcement, this with extreme care.

Following the President's speech on Sunday evening, in terms of the adjusted level 4 regulations, golf can continue to be played, subject to the necessary clubhouse and hospitality restrictions. The Club has communicated and reinstated many regulations, to ensure we align with the protocols and to keep our members, guests, staff and facility as safe as possible. "Essentially, abide by the rules, play golf and then go home".

Throughout the pandemic, management's principle has been our ability to keep a safe environment and our capacity to keep making people 'happy' during an otherwise anxious and challenging time. Despite the restrictions, a visit to the Club should be a safe escape from the daily toil and playing a game of golf is an opportunity for a feeling of some normalcy.

Over the past 12 months our Club has been met with some of the greatest challenges ever. However, as we complete our financial year end (30 June 2021), we are on track to deliver the twelve-month scenario plan and meet the forecast, with a break-even result (before capex).

We can all be very proud of the Club's focus on safety, collaborative solutions, protection of the balance sheet, whilst prudently managing our capital and delivering on all social and economic responsibilities throughout the financial year.

Whilst the demand for golf and membership is bound to normalize when the world opens post-pandemic, our Club continues to make the most of every opportunity as we shape a new lifestyle for members, residents and their families in the changing world. With positivity, commitment and the immense member support, our results will show that it is possible to not only survive but at the same time leverage growth, develop and come out stronger.

At the time of writing this month's column, the membership renewal process is about to close and we thank those members who have chosen to settle early.

Membership fees are DUE by 30 June 2021 and if you have not yet settled, please email:

[membership@royaljk.co.za](mailto:membership@royaljk.co.za) to confirm your set up and your fees for the new financial year. A 15-day grace period will be extended for unsettled fees and thereafter membership accounts will be restricted. All members will receive their tax invoice for the new financial year, from 1 July 2021.

Construction of the much anticipated 'Family Centre' (old halfway house) and the Royal Fitness Club (current conference entrance, Birkdale & Blackheath rooms), is well underway and we can slowly see the vision coming to life. As we progress with these new facilities, we will have some exciting stories and milestones along the way, which we will share with the membership at each step. The estimated grand opening is set to take place in November this year and all members with families will be invited to attend.

The financial year-end Board meeting takes place on 30 June, via Zoom, as the office bearers continue to shape the Club's 'Masterplan', stress test and formulate presentations ahead of the 131st Annual General Meeting in September. The Board will take the opportunity to reflect on where we have come from, where we are at now and crucially, the road ahead for the next chapter of our wonderful Club.

Your management team is preparing for the annual audit, which gets underway on 2 August. In this regard, I extend my sincere gratitude to the teams of staff on the ground and virtually, for delivering a safe and friendly environment amid all things happening around us. We are in a time where the work the team is doing is more important than ever and the stresses on the teams and their families have been tremendous. We thank the members for their grace, understanding and advocacy, as we continue to deliver in the best interests of the membership and our facility.

We remind members, in our efforts to further reduce risk in the Club's workforce and to minimise disruption, the management team is again working in split groups, alongside staff, who are placed on a two-roster system.

Additionally, there are no physical meetings taking place, however members are welcome to request a virtual meeting for any assistance. Since the current situation remains fluid, we would like you to keep in mind that arrangements might change based on regular monitoring and assessment.



In closing, it is with sadness that our flag flies at half-mast for members who have succumbed to the virus and passed away recently - we extend our deepest sympathy and condolences to the families.

To those who are currently ill, we are wishing you a speedy recovery and good health soon.

We thank you for your continued support and understanding, particularly through this third wave. The pandemic continues to heighten stress and test our

resolve on many fronts, but we have to remain positive, safe and get through this storm together.

As always, we wish you and your family good health and strength, as we all do our part to remain 'together apart' in the fight against Covid-19.

Please stay safe,

Chris Bentley

Chief Executive Officer







30 June 2021

**YOUR PRIVACY IS IMPORTANT TO US!**

On 1 July 2021, South Africa's POPIA (Protection of Personal Information Act) will come into effect. The POPI Act is all about protecting you and your personal details.

With the guidance of Golf RSA, Royal Johannesburg & Kensington Golf Club is committed to ensuring the protection and security of your personal information and meeting our data protection obligations. The Club's databases are securely stored according to business best practices and access is strictly controlled. The Clubs updated policies, privacy notice and compliance will be available on our website ([www.royaljk.co.za](http://www.royaljk.co.za)) and placed on the golfers notice boards from tomorrow (1 July 2021).

Compliance with the POPI Act requires us to ensure that those we communicate with are happy to keep receiving information from the Club and we would like to give you the opportunity to unsubscribe should you no longer wish to receive communications from us.

If you consent to be kept on our mailing list, no action is required, you will continue to receive all the relevant information from the Club. We hope you enjoy our communications and that they give you pride in being part of Royal.

If you wish to unsubscribe from our mailing list/data base, you can do so by UNSUBSCRIBING [HERE](#), alternatively you can always opt out of our communications at any time by clicking the unsubscribe link at the bottom of our emails.

To update your details, tailor the communications you receive from the Club or require further information, please email [membership@royaljk.co.za](mailto:membership@royaljk.co.za).

Warm regards,

Christopher Bentley  
Chief Executive Officer

Candice Humphrey  
Information Officer



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Our official winter solstice was on 21 June and whilst some call it the start of winter and others mid-winter, either way you look at it, we have had a freezing June month! Our first bouts of frost hit the courses earlier in the month which was preceded by some unusual rains. Naturally, following this frost, the courses have gone off colour and the kikuyu turf is now dormant. Whilst the frost has not occurred daily it does hinder our early mowing regimes on certain days and as a result, we have altered these mowing times due to the frost.

For our region, frost is natural and whilst it does affect our maintenance practices and morning play, it has its benefits. Frost forms when a surface(outside) cools past the dew point, where air becomes so cold that the vapour turns to liquid and then freezes. Commonly, areas that are extremely dry attract more dew overnight and hence why the turf freezes at a particular point. It has always been a good indication for me that the turf or soil is not too wet as that can create more issues with poa annua/ any unwanted cool season grasses. We tend to keep our playing areas as dry as possible in the winter for this reason, with only minimal water applied when necessary.

Many would have seen the development happening right of the 7<sup>th</sup> East and as part of the original plan, our 3 irrigation tanks next to the East pump station are currently under "reconstruction" in that area and an enlarged dam is being constructed in its place. This for aesthetic purposes as well as increased storage capacity for the East course. The dam is expected to be completed by the beginning of August which allows us time to fill and have available water for our spring treatments on course. Obviously, this is dependent on how much water we receive at the time of completion as we are a "storm water" facility and can only work on a supply vs demand situation when it comes to our water.

Until this project is completed, we have limited access to water for our East course and only have enough water for tees and greens over the next 6 weeks. We thank you for your patience in this regard and again the benefits of this will be in keeping the East course as dry as possible with the aim of limiting the spread and germination of poa-annua. The East bunkers may well be dry for some time and whilst we usually irrigate the sand to keep the bunkers moist, we cannot do so over the next 6 weeks at least.

In addition to the above, the course team have been hard at work over the past month with projects such as tree pruning, mowing of veld grasses and tee box re-levelling. The tee box re-levelling project on East is progressing well with the team having done 4 tees so far (1 tee box on 5, 12 and 2 tees on 16), however we have stagnated the project timeline due to the cold season. We still have the pro tees on 5 and 12 to perform and member tees on 16 and 2 to complete. Whilst it is ideal to perform this in spring, we will be swamped with spring treatments. The recovery may take a little longer than expected on these tees but over-all the project is progressing nicely, and we continue to top dress final levels once the tees are open for play. We once again thank members for their patience in this regard.

The team will be doing a bunker top up in July on the East and perform a small/thinner layer top up on the West. The West top up does not alleviate any drainage issues and in times of heavy rains these bunkers will continue to flood/pool up. Please allow some time for the bunkers to settle following this project.

Stay warm, stay safe and see you on the courses.

Shaun Brits  
Course Manager





# Member Calendar

## JULY

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## DATES TO NOTE

Club Comp - Better Ball Stableford	Sat 3 July
Junior League Round 5 - Postponed	Sun 4 July
Club Closed	Mon 5 July
Ladies Comp - 4 Ball Alliance	Tues 6 July
Greg's Day	Wed 7 July
Club Comp - Betterball Bonus Bogey	Sat 10 July
Mid Amateur League Round 7 - Postponed	Sat 10 July
Senior Betterball League R 2 - Postponed	Sun 11 July
Club Closed	Mon 12 July
Ladies Comp - 3 Ball Alliance	Tue 13 July
Club Comp - Ind. Stableford	Sat 17 July
Scratch League Round 3 - Postponed	Sun 18 July
Club Closed	Mon 19 July
Ladies Comp - Ind. Medal or Stableford	Tues 20 July
Winter Club Championships - West - Postponed	Sat 24 July
Club Comp - 4 Ball Alliance - East	Sat 24 July
Winter Club Championships - East - Postponed	Sun 25 July
Club Closed	Mon 26 July
Ladies Comp - Under 65's vs Over 65's, BB Stableford	Tues 27 July
Club Comp - Golf Directors Choice	Sat 31 July

## AUGUST

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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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29	30	31				

## DATES TO NOTE

Scratch League Round 4	Sat 1 Aug
Club Closed	Mon 2 Aug
Ladies Comp - Ind. Stableford	Tues 3 Aug
LGG Weekday League Vs CCJ 3 West AM	Thurs 5 Aug
Club Comp Betterball Bonus Bogey	Sat 7 Aug
Public Holiday - National Women's Day	Mon 9 Aug
Club Open	Mon 9 Aug
Ladies Comp - Ladies Open Day	Tue 10 Aug
Greg's Day	Wed 12 Aug
Club Comp - Ind. Stableford	Sat 14 Aug
Scratch League Round 5	Sun 15 Aug
Club Closed	Mon 16 Aug
Ladies Comp - Ind. Medal or Stableford	Tues 17 Aug
Club Comp - 4 Ball Alliance - East	Sat 21 Aug
Betterball League R9	Sun 22 Aug
Club Closed	Mon 23 Aug
Ladies Comp - 3 Ball Alliance	Tues 24 Aug
Club Comp - Golf Directors Choice	Sat 28 Aug
LGG Sunday League Vs CMR - Away	Sun 29 Aug
West Course Hollow tining	Mon 30 Aug
West Course Hollow tining	Tues 30 Aug
Ladies Comp - 4 Ball Alliance - Members	Tues 30 Aug



Earlier this month, two boxes of knitted and crocheted baby blankets, baby jerseys and baby beanies were collected by the radio station MixFM on behalf of the Impilo Child Protection Home. I received a wonderful thank you letter from them for these beautiful warm items and I would like to take the opportunity to thank Sheree Lloyd's mum and her helpers for knitting and crocheting all these wonderful goodies – we certainly are very grateful to you all.

Our lady golfers continue to play well both at Royal and on other courses. Our pairing of Samantha Hudson and Lelane Straw have qualified to play in the second round of the Windhoek Pairs competition, by being counted out into second place, with a great score of 44 betterball points, at the competition held at Kyalami this past week. The date and venue is to be advised. On the home front, Niki Christie recently won the Club's individual stableford competition with a good score of 37 points and the team of Shirley Hubbard and Christine de Villiers won a betterball stableford competition held last Tuesday on a terrific score of 48 points! So our ladies certainly are playing well at the moment.

Our league teams have fared well this past month, both recording a draw with their opposition. Our weekday team played Eagle Canyon at home and our Sunday team played Bryanston away so both were very good results. Congratulations to both teams and again, thank you to our two dedicated league captains, Lynn Gardner and Sandra van den Bergh and to our league players who make themselves available to play.

We held a most successful ladies open day on Tuesday 8 June on the East Course and our visitors, who made up half of the full field, were very complimentary about the overall Royal experience that they were treated to. Our next ladies open day was scheduled for Tuesday 13 July but this has been cancelled due to the rising number of COVID cases in our province. We hopefully will be in a position to host our next ladies open on Tuesday 10 August.

I am very happy to report the winners of the Silver and Bronze LGG medal finals for 2019!! Congratulations to

Michelle von Holdt (Silver division) and Cilla Hewitt (Bronze division) who were presented with their LGG hat clip and ball marker for winning this prestigious LGG Club competition. Sadly, we do not have enough ladies playing medal any more so we no longer qualify to compete in these finals.

Our senior ladies have also been playing some wonderful golf and congrats to the following ladies who played incredibly well at the seniors individual stableford competition held on our West Course on Friday 18 June:

Silver Division – President's Prize:

Runner up – Michelle von Holdt (36 points)

Bronze Division – Captain's Prize:

Winner – Lynne Yammin (41 points)

Runner up – Anne Barrow (38 points)

Fourth – Barbie Grossmith (36 points) on count out

Christine de Villiers (36 points)

Esther Gallie Trophy (overall stableford trophy) –

Lynne Yammin (41 points)

Congratulations to everyone – Royal's flag certainly was flying high on Friday!

As the third wave of the COVID virus gallops through our country, but particularly through Gauteng, I hope that you and your families stay warm, healthy and safe and although we are no longer encouraged to socialise at the Club, I hope that you all enjoy the wonderful courses that we are presented with when we play this great game called golf!

Stay safe and healthy.

Warm regards

Wendy Huddy

Lady Captain





# Quarantine V Self-Isolation

## COVID-19

*Information put together by DOCTORS ON CALL  
and supported by gems*

**QUARANTINE** is for people who are **NOT SICK** but are a **CLOSE CONTACT**.  
So no going out, no visitors and no test.  
**14 days from LAST CONTACT.**  
This is the window period. You might be infected. A negative test does not change this, 14 days for everyone. If you get symptoms you start self-isolation (new 14 days)



**What is CLOSE CONTACT with a POSITIVE person:**

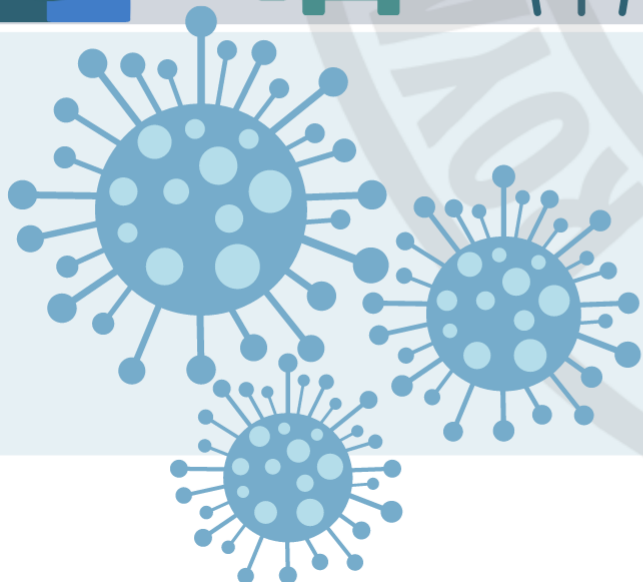
Being face-to-face (<1m)

Being in a small room or car/taxi or 15min

Living in the same house or sharing the same kitchen and utensils

Kissing, touching, holding hands or hugging

Someone coughing on you



If you are a **CLOSE CONTACT** or you are **SYMPTOMATIC**  
**Stay home.**

No test needed for this.

It will not change anything.  
**14 days.**  
Simple



**SELF-ISOLATION** is for **SICK PEOPLE**.  
This is if you have symptoms of COVID-19 and need to stay away from other.  
You are contagious. Wear a mask at home, clean surfaces regularly, stay in a ventilated room.

Stay alone. No going out. No visitors. 14 days from start of symptoms (not from test).  
**NO EXCEPTIONS**



You are **NOT** a **CLOSE CONTACT** if:  
You have not had close contact with a positive person  
You are a contact of a contact  
(you are not personally the close contact)  
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By Theo Bezuidenhout



*Theo is a psychologist, guest-lecturer and self-confessed sports nut. He is the founder of BVP Sport Psychology as well as the current High Performance Psychologist for GolfRSA. Theo has a professional philosophy that performance (good or bad) is not co-incidental. He therefore encourages clients to maintain both physical and mental processes and routines that lead to consistent performances and a consistent life.*

The saying in golf goes that there is one in every four-ball but as Brooks Koepka recently found out it may be that there is one in every pairing on the US PGA Tour.

I am of course referring to the now viral incident where Bryson DeChambeau is alleged to have said something that dismayed Brooks to the point of rolling his eyes and calling out to a "Higher Authority."

Although the Bryson-Brooks feud may just be due to a difference in personalities (As Chandler Bing of "Friends" fame would say: "Could they BE more different?") life on the PGA Tour is definitely not devoid of bad behaviour and unsportsmanlike conduct.

Looking back over the last few decades there have been incidents such as the infamous Rory Sabbatini-Ben Crane slow play debacle in 2005 (YouTube it, it is pretty entertaining viewing!) and at stages rules have even been ignored or bent (referring to you at The Masters Mr. Woods). Not to mention anything that Patrick Reed seems to do these days!

Thus, if proper conduct and etiquette are no longer guaranteed at the highest level what chance do we have on a regular Saturday at RJKGC? So in this month's RJK Swing Thoughts we focus on what you can do mentally when you encounter a lout on the course and in so doing not allowing it to spoil your day on the links.

Intentions

Unfortunately, when you play regularly enough you will get to realize who the louts in your club or area are and when you are drawn with them it can feel like a death sentence to your day.

This is often the first mistake many players make when dealing with a player who misbehaves on the course: they give them way too much attention. Even the night before a club championship round could be spent fretting about how Mr. or Miss Badly Behaved will act instead of focusing on how you will tackle your own game.

So how do you overcome making this kind of player your major focus? Work out what you want from your round and how you want to feel when you leave the course.

By creating a clear intention for your round, it is less likely that someone will steal your thunder and affect your mood. If needs be also write down what your intentions for the day are in your yardage book so that you can constantly remind yourself about them when your rowdy partner might be losing his or her cool.

Create space

This may seem very straightforward but often the lout will be all too willing to complain and whine in your ear. If you realize you are faced with a misbehaving partner, try to get away from the distraction as much as possible. This may include standing on opposite sides of the green or tee-box or walking ahead or behind the person.

This tactic shouldn't be so distracting to you that it affects your game more than that of the lout but by not being within earshot you negate a lot of the negative damage the lout can do mentally to your game.

It also has the added benefit of creating time for you to compose yourself between shots and have a more professional mindset approaching each shot. Rather than getting more and more irritated with the screaming and swearing brat.

Lastly, if you have a hold-up on a tee or a break in play, make a point of walking to the previous green or watching the tee shots of the group behind you. The reason for this is that if you are waiting for your next shot there is a good chance the lout will have something negative to say about it and this will probably lead to you either losing your focus or your cool.

By only paying attention to what is behind you, you know that you have completed the hole and that there is very little the lout can say about it that will affect your game negatively.



Pay more attention to others

Fortunately, in the game of golf we have four-balls for a reason and if one player in your four-ball is misbehaving you will probably have two other compatriots who will gladly share your company. The trick in dealing with the lout is to ignore his or her behaviour and focus all your positive comments and feedback on the other two players you are playing with.

Chances are that the lout will soon realize that he or she is getting very little attention and will either not carry on with the negative behaviour or get so upset that their game will blow up. Causing them to sulk and hopefully pipe down somewhat for the rest of the round.

Whatever you do.....

Lastly, an action that I would never advocate is to confront the person. The reason for this is twofold.

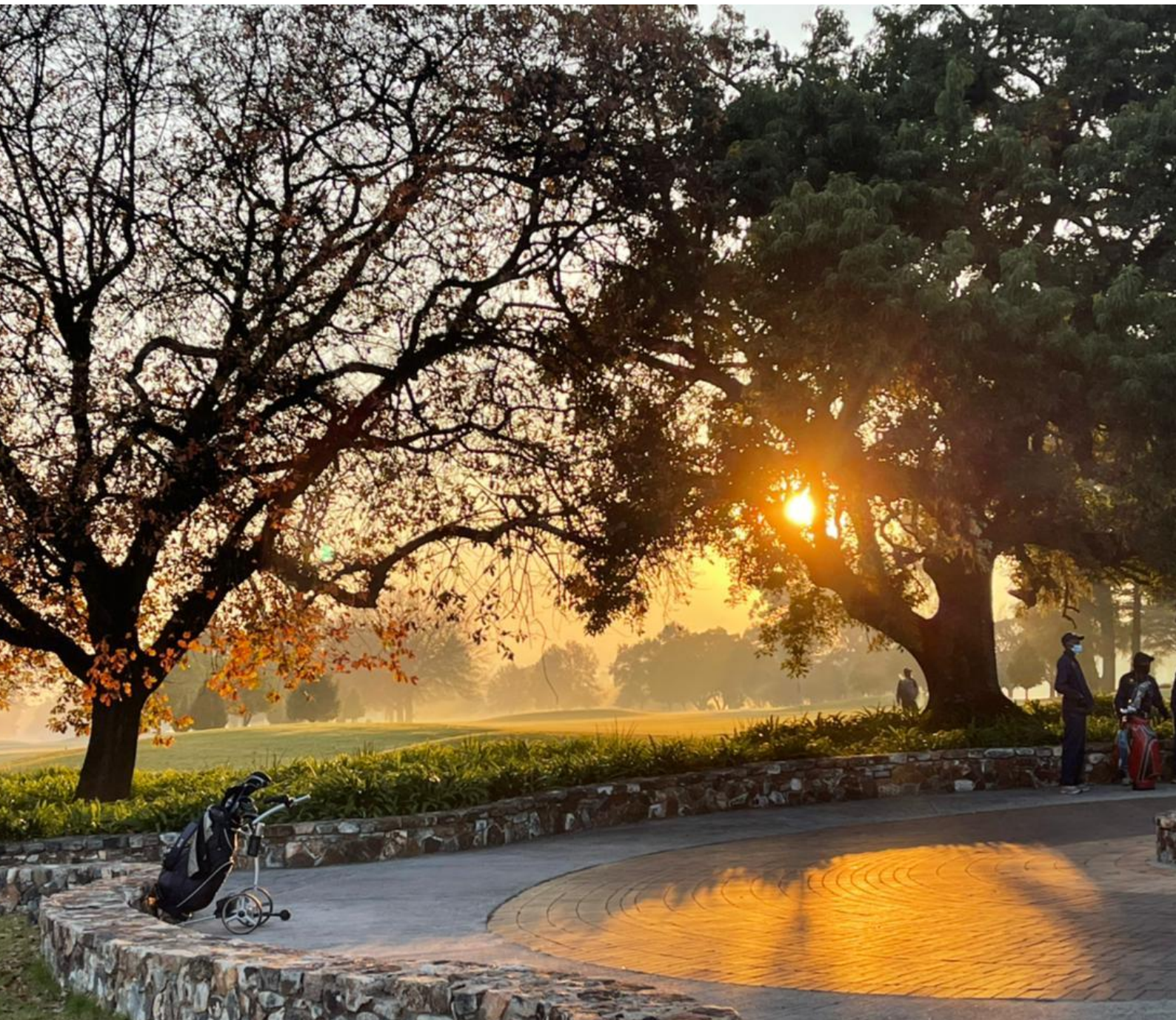
Firstly, the lout probably behaves like this in other spheres of life as well and by people addressing it with

him or her they create a "me vs. the world mentality". Thus, by confronting the lout you are adding petrol to the fire and chances are that you will either make the behaviour worse or have a terrible experience the rest of the day.

Secondly, in confronting the behaviour you will not change a thing that the lout's spouse, parents, kids or schoolteachers did not try to change. If these people failed, you have very little chance of changing the person's behaviour.

If you recognize this you can see the lout's behaviour for what it is: cries for attention. Unfortunately, by confronting them it is exactly this attention (even though it is negative) that you are giving them. Remember no-one said the lout was after positive attention, the negative kind will do just as nicely thank you!

If you doubt that just ask anyone who has suffered at the hands (or mouth) of a lout. Or an eye-roll from Brooks.







# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

FEES FOR THE NEW FINANCIAL YEAR  
DUE 30 JUNE 2021

1 JULY 2021 - 30 JUNE 2022

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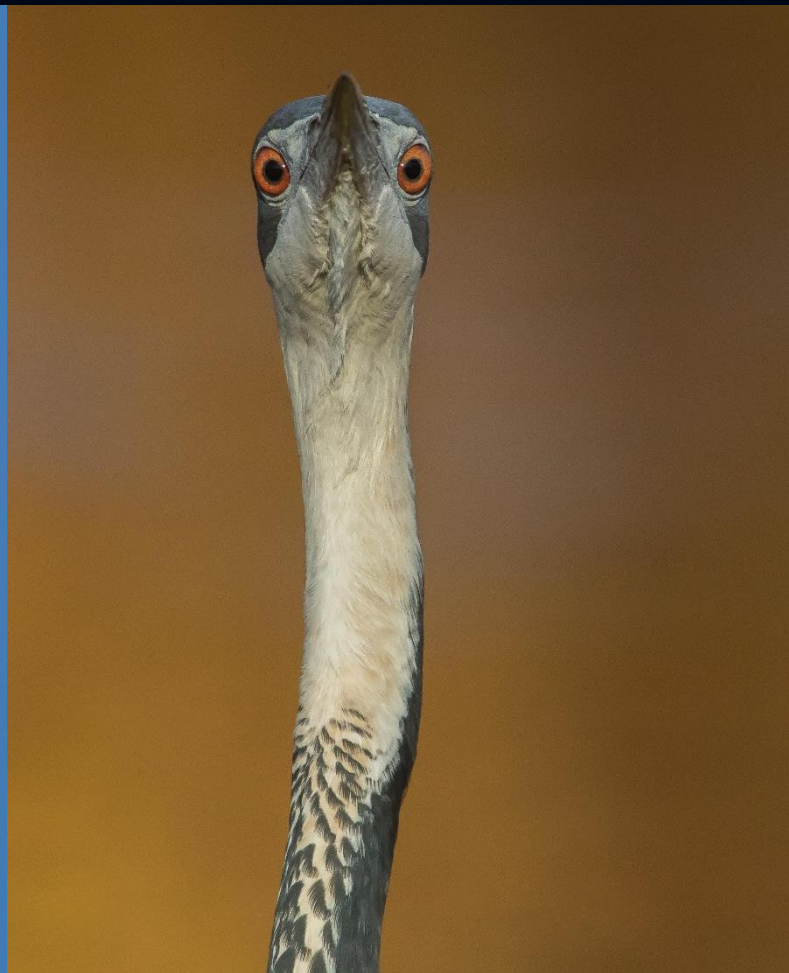
## Birds of the Month



Top Left; Greenback Heron | Top Right; Goldentailed Woodpecker

(Photographer: Trevor Barnett)

Bottom Left; Black Sparrowhawk | Bottom Right; Blackheaded Heron





# The Golfers Scorecard

As we enter the 3<sup>rd</sup> wave, we urge all our members and their loved ones to please stay safe out there. The Club has done its absolute best to try and implement procedures to keep everyone as safe as possible, but it is up to our members to play their part too. If you are unsure of any rules and regulations regarding the Club's mitigations, please ask our front desk and they will assist.

## League Results

- Betterball East vs Modderfontein (won)
- Betterball West vs Jackals Creek (won)
- Mid Am A vs Randpark (lost)
- Mid Am B vs Southdowns (won)
- Scratch League 1<sup>st</sup> vs Royal Scratch League 2<sup>nd</sup> (1<sup>st</sup> won)
- Junior A vs Ruimsig (tied)

## League Standings

- Betterball East (lying 8<sup>th</sup>)
- Betterball West (lying 1<sup>st</sup>, 4 points ahead of Eye of Africa)
- Mid Am A (lying 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3 points behind Randpark)
- Mid Am B (lying 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3 points behind CCJ)
- Scratch 1<sup>st</sup> (lying tied 1<sup>st</sup> to Ruimsig and CCJ)
- Senior Betterball A (lying tied 3<sup>rd</sup>)
- Senior Betterball B (lying tied 6<sup>th</sup>)
- Junior A: (lying 4<sup>th</sup>)

## Upcoming Dates

- Windhoek Lager Pairs Qualifier: **Sat 3 July**
- Complete Golfer Windhoek Challenge: **Sat 31 July**
- Heritage Champs : **Sat 28 August**

## Dates Moved due to Covid

- Winter Club Champs: Postponed until further notice.
- 5 Royals: Cancelled for this year
- Member Member Tournament: Postponed until further notice.

- All Club Knockouts: Postponed until further notice.

## Covid Protocol Update/Reminders

### **Off Course**

- We urge all members to please make use of the self check in portals at bag drop as well as reception.
- Showers will be closed until further notice.
- No scorecards to be handed in. Please take a photo of your score card and send it to our WhatsApp line.
- No prize giving - the golf department will be doing virtual prize giving's.
- Shoe station is closed until further notice.

### **On Course**

- Flagsticks may not be removed.
- Rakes will not be on course – placing in bunkers will be allowed (1 club length)

## May Rules Question

Jane unfortunately slices her drive into the rough playing the tough 4<sup>th</sup> hole on East. Steven decides to help look for her ball but accidentally steps on Jane's ball while searching for it.

What is the ruling?

Ruling: There is no penalty: Rule 7.4 – The ball must be replaced on its original spot (which if not known must be estimated).

## **Rules Question for June**

### **June Rules Question**

John is playing the 9<sup>th</sup> hole on the Championship East course; he strikes his tee shot up the left-hand side of the fairway. Once he arrives to play his second shot, he finds his ball directly behind the fairway distance stake in the left hand rough. What can he do next?

Jayde Rademeyer

Club Operations Director





# GOLFRSA PHYSICAL DISTANCING & WEARING OF MASKS

## CLUBHOUSE



**MUST WEAR A MASK**

## ON THE GOLF COURSE



**WEAR A MASK:**

if you can not maintain  
physical distancing of  
3m or more.

in windy conditions  
(24 kms/hour or more)  
where you can not main-  
tain physical distancing  
of more than 5m.



**NO MASK REQUIRED:**

only if you can maintain  
physical distancing of 3m or  
more.

only if you can maintain  
physical distancing of 5m  
or more in windy conditions  
(24km/h or more).

**REMEMBER TO ALWAYS PRACTICE SAFETY MEASURES:**

- PHYSICAL (SOCIAL) DISTANCING
- WASH YOUR HANDS/SANITISE REGULARLY
- AVOID TOUCHING YOUR EYES, NOSE & MOUTH
- PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO PHYSICAL DISTANCING ON TEES AND GREENS

**NOTE:** this does not supercede any SA government regulations. For further information please go to: [www.golfrsa.com](http://www.golfrsa.com)

**SAFETY FIRST | STAY SAFE**





**NEW DATE**



# LAUREUS SPORT FOR GOOD **GOLF CLASSIC**

**Royal Johannesburg & Kensington Golf Club  
East Championship Course,  
19th August 2021**

Join us at our annual Laureus Sport for Good Golf Classic for a day of golf and entertainment to raise funds for Laureus Sport for Good

**Entry Price: R6 000.00 + VAT per four-ball**



The Laureus Sport for Good Golf Classic will provide you with the opportunity to entertain clients, colleagues and friends in a memorable and safe environment while raising funds to help children and young people overcome violence, discrimination and disadvantage in their lives.

As the Official Global Charity Partner of the British & Irish Lions Series, Laureus is giving you the chance to play alongside Springbok Legends and true heavyweights from the world of rugby.

## **WHAT TO EXPECT:**

- 18 holes of golf
- Halfway house
- Laureus golf shirt
- Laureus goodie bags
- Q & A with Laureus Ambassadors
- Spitbraai dinner
- Auction



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# The Captain's Note

Dear Members

I am writing this newsletter whilst in self isolation after testing positive for COVID-19. With the third wave upon us, please stay safe.

This month, I decided to take a different angle for my newsletter. Using the last list of top 100 courses, I would like to see which member has played the most or all of the following courses. It would also be interesting to hear which course/s you enjoyed and if you want to give a reason for your enjoyment, that would be great.

Please mail your answers to:

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I will award a prize to the member who has played the most courses (no cheating).

1. Durban Country Club
2. Fancourt (The Links)
3. Humewood
4. St Francis Links
5. Leopard Creek
6. Royal Johannesburg and Kensington (East)
7. Glendower
8. Arabella
9. Millvale
10. The River Club
11. Gary Player CC
12. Fancourt (Montagu)
13. East London
14. Pearl Valley
15. Blair Atholl
16. George
17. Sishen
18. Pezula
19. Highland Gate
20. Fancourt (Outeniqua)
21. Simola

22. Steyn City
23. Pinnacle Point
24. Kyalami
25. Zimbali
26. Erinvale
27. CCJ (Woodmead)
28. Elements
29. Royal Johannesburg & Kensington (West)
30. CCJ (Rocklands)
31. Pretoria CC
32. Clovelly
33. Parkview
34. Wild Coast
35. Princes Grant
36. Victoria
37. Randpark (Firethorn)
38. Oubaai
39. Beachwood
40. Gowrie Farm
41. Houghton
42. Pecanwood
43. Eye of Africa
44. De Zalze
45. Lost City
46. Maccauvlei
47. Serengeti (Masai Mara)
48. Irene
49. Champagne Sports
50. Ebotse
51. Royal Cape
52. Cotswold Downs
53. Plettenberg Bay
54. Bryanston
55. Hermanus (East)
56. Wingate Park
57. Killarney
58. Mbombela
59. Wanderers
60. Euphoria
61. Randpark (Bushwillow)
62. Steenberg
63. Stellenbosch
64. Zebula
65. Atlantic Beach
66. Krugersdorp
67. Modderfontein

68. King David Mowbray
69. Mount Edgecombe (The Woods)
70. Umdoni Park
71. San Lameer
72. Els Club – Copperleaf
73. Umhlali
74. Wedgewood
75. St Francis Bay
76. Goldfields West
77. Silver Lakes
78. Reading
79. Centurion
80. Eagle Canyon
81. Ruimsig
82. Knysna
83. Westlake
84. Glenvista
85. Royal Port Alfred
86. Woodhill
87. Southbroom
88. Goose Valley
89. Milnerton
90. Dainfern
91. State Mines
92. Paarl
93. Olivewood
94. Bloemfontein
95. Worcester
96. Bosch Hoek
97. Parys
98. Mossel Bay
99. Kingswood
100. Huddle Park

After going through the above list, I have played 84 of these courses.....

The winner of this competition will be announced in next month's newsletter.

Stay safe

Nick Watt Pringle

Club Captain





## The Royal Lockdown Menu Delivered to your door

### HEAT AND EAT

	<i>Serves 4</i>	<i>Half Portion</i>
Steak & Guinness Pie	R 210	R 105
Traditional Bobotie	R 210	R 105
Butter Chicken Curry & Rice	R 220	R 110
Chicken & Mushroom Pie	R 210	R 105
Vegetable Chilli Con Carne (Served with tortilla wraps & rice)	R 185	R 95

### HEAT AND EAT

	<i>Serves 4</i>
Hearty Lasagna	R 220
Chicken Schnitzel (Pack of 4)	R 100
Beef Wellington (On request 48 hours lead time)	SQ



### SOUP FOR ONE

Butternut	R 40
Minestrone	R 45
Tomato & Basil	R 40

### DESSERT FOR FOUR

Malva Pudding & Custard	R 125
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## ABOUT ME

In 2007, Ruhan started his hospitality journey at the International Hotel School, completing his Hospitality Management Diploma in 2009.

Ruhan's foundation was established by his experience gained from working at numerous respected and prestigious facilities such as Singita Kruger National Park, Protea Balalaika Hotel, The Grillhouse, The Bull Run, Rockets Restaurant and most recently Serengeti Estates.

He shares an enormous passion for people and the industry, not solely living but breathing all things related to hospitality and creating special moments.

The intense joy and happiness that he shares for food and wine, is the sole driving force behind his drive for exceptional service delivery.

"As the Food & Beverage department scales up with the inclusion of the new family restaurant opening in November 2021, Ruhan's knowledge, experience and passion for the industry will add immense value to members & guests"

*Erik Brakhoven, F&B Director*

# WELCOME TO THE TEAM



## RUHAN DUVENAGE

### ASSISTANT F&B MANAGER

Junior Management

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I always get excited when we turn the corner and the sun starts coming back to us. I do realise that the second half of winter is always colder, but I stay sane by keep reminding myself that summer is around the corner.

On this note, all winter wear from July 1 will be on sale at less 30%!

The new range of Ping putters have arrived and as you would expect from a premium brand, they are gorgeous. So all you Ping fanatics pop into the shop and give one a test drive. I have 9 models to choose from!

As Covid continues to grip the country, we continue to struggle with getting the stock we need. I'll continue to do my very best to keep the shop well stocked with all the important sku's, especially consumables.

I would also like to thank the members for their patience during this time. We have been battling with health issues amongst the Golf Shop staff but we have got over the worst, I hope.

Enjoy your golf this weekend!



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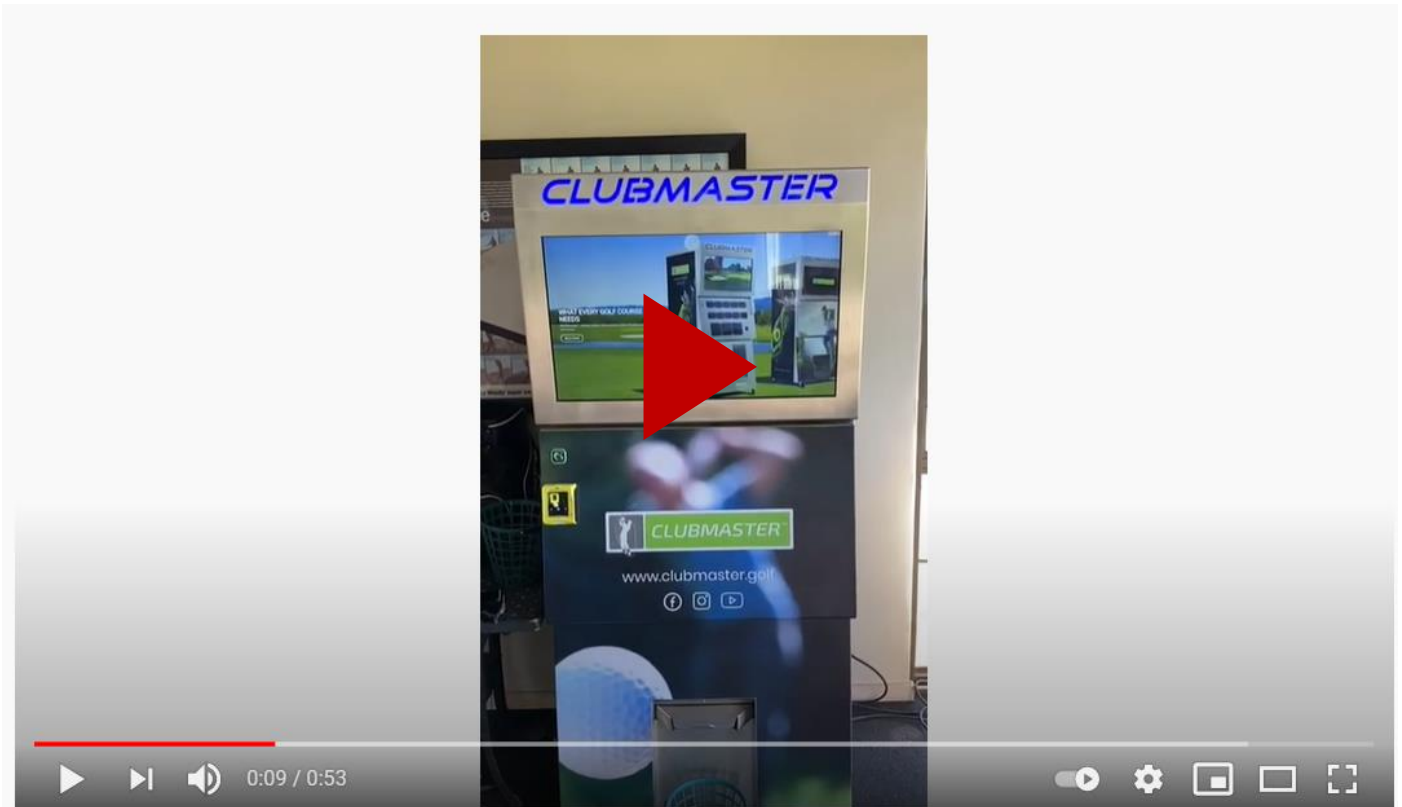


## Your monthly golf tip

A few weeks ago, a younger patron of the range called me a dinosaur. So here I am moving with the times and embracing technology. I have a new ball-dispensing machine at the range. At the moment you can use a credit or debit card to purchase range balls using the machine. I am working towards eventually using your club card too.

I would like to move towards being cashless at the range just from a safety and control point of view. Members who have subscribed for an annual range membership will receive a card for dispensing balls.

Click on the link below to view a demonstration of how to use the dispenser.

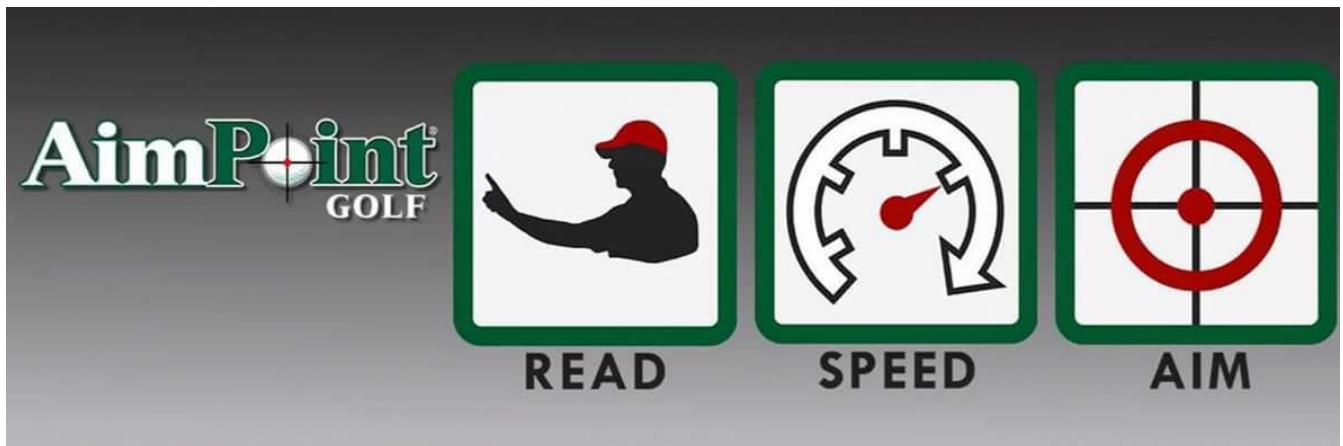


Gavan Levenson has a secret tip this month for you too. Click on the link to view.





## AimPoint – 🍌



Michelle Wie West explains the benefits of AimPoint putting (Golf.com)

When it comes to putting, everyone has their own technique. Some opt for using feel to get them around the greens, such as Ben Crenshaw, while others stick to technical aspects of putting, like [Bryson DeChambeau](#).

That thinking is the same for reading greens. It all comes down to what makes players the most comfortable. Lately, [AimPoint putting](#) is all the rage as it's been utilized across the ranks of pro golf by the likes of Dustin Johnson and Justin Rose.

Michelle Wie West is another disciple of AimPoint, and as she explained to GOLF.com, it will be a huge key for holing putts this week at the Olympic Club during the [U.S. Women's Open](#).

"There are a lot of optical illusions on a golf course," Wie West said. "You can't always trust your eye. This golf course is a good example. It was built on the side of a hill, so even though the green looks flat, it still breaks. "That's where the AimPoint technique comes into play. Instead of solely relying on her eyes to read a putt, Wie West uses her feet

and lets feel tell her how the putt will break. "With your feet, if you do it the right way, your feet will tell you immediately which side is higher," she said. "I really like that it brings feel into putting. "Wie West has been using the technique since it was first introduced last decade. She took a lesson from Mark Sweeney and was immediately hooked. And since she began with AimPoint, she's watched how other top players use the technique to fine-tune her own process. "I'm really inspired by how DJ uses it, and how feel-based it is," Wie West said. "AimPoint really allows you to trust it." On a course as subtle and nuanced as [the Olympic Club](#), trust will be all the more important when holing putts.



Contact me for more information and bookings.

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