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## From the Clock Tower

It was painful to watch the USA team clinch victory at this year's Ryder Cup, 19-9!!!, which is the largest margin of victory in Ryder Cup history since the 28-point format came about. It is the first time since 1979 and 1983 that Team USA has won back-to-back home Ryder Cups after winning in 2016 at Hazeltine. The Americans lost in 2018 in France (I was there, it was epic😊), and seven of the last 10 Ryder Cups against Europe, so a dominant 2021 victory could change the tide in the rivalry. But let us keep hope as we have some of the young Europeans waiting in the wings and hopefully come Rome 2023, we can issue some of the same medicine.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of September the Club held the 130<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting which was well attended by 114 members. We thank those members for taking the time to attend a very successful AGM. Perhaps the most telling indication of a Club that is capable of evolving, is in its ability to agree, support and adapt for the future. I believe that our Club is well on track to long term sustainability and we continue to be the beacon of 'service excellence' with the quality of our courses and determination to continually deliver without compromise. As the Club's moniker 'The Royal Experience', underlines the great effort and support shown by the members, which is amplified by the management team and Board's drive to continually enhance our wonderful Club.



The key changes approved by the members at the AGM include: The Board has increased in size from seven to ten members (including myself) as well as the Board members term in office changing from one year to two years. The following categories of membership have also been included into the constitution; gym member, 9-hole member and junior 9-hole member. A summary of the meeting has been distributed to the members, with the draft minutes being made available on the Club's website.

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome the new and enhanced Board as well as the Capital Fund Committee members for the ensuing term. Serving on a committee or Board is mostly a thankless commitment, but a task rooted in Club success and pride. It is these members who are compelled by passion, to provide their time, knowledge and skills, to guide, enhance and protect our facility. I believe the enhanced Board and composition of those serving is the best representation, skills and knowledge we have ever had and I have no doubt the new Board will greatly support management with the overall delivery, vision, strategy and good governance of the Club.

Events have shown us that our operations, initiatives and projects undertaken are even more important today than they were before and our opportunity lies in emphasising that we provide a safe haven. Our Club is poised for continued growth and success and we must keep fostering resilience over fear. Despite everything happening around us, our facility, performance and developments should provide some excitement to look forward to.

The new clubhouse facilities (Wellness & Fitness Club and The Old Oak Restaurant) are well underway and all being well, we will open these exciting facilities at the end of the year.

The Gym membership and operating times will be launched to the members in October and this promises to be the most wonderful enhancement to your subscription and lifestyle.

The Club's voluntary Covid -19 staff and caddy vaccination program has been very successful and 95% of staff members have been vaccinated, to date. The program will enter its final stage shortly and we hope to announce 100% of staff and caddies have been vaccinated by the end October. We are very grateful to Wendy Huddy for driving this process.

Welcome to level 1, our Marketing Manager will shortly launch and announce the title sponsor for the 2021 Festival of Golf, which will take place from 23 – 28 November 2021. In the meantime, save the date and we look forward to the return of the festival and hope for another spectacular event.

Please continue to use and support your Club, bring the family, play golf and enjoy our wonderful facilities.

Stay safe,

Chris Bentley

Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY OF THE

# 130th Annual General Meeting

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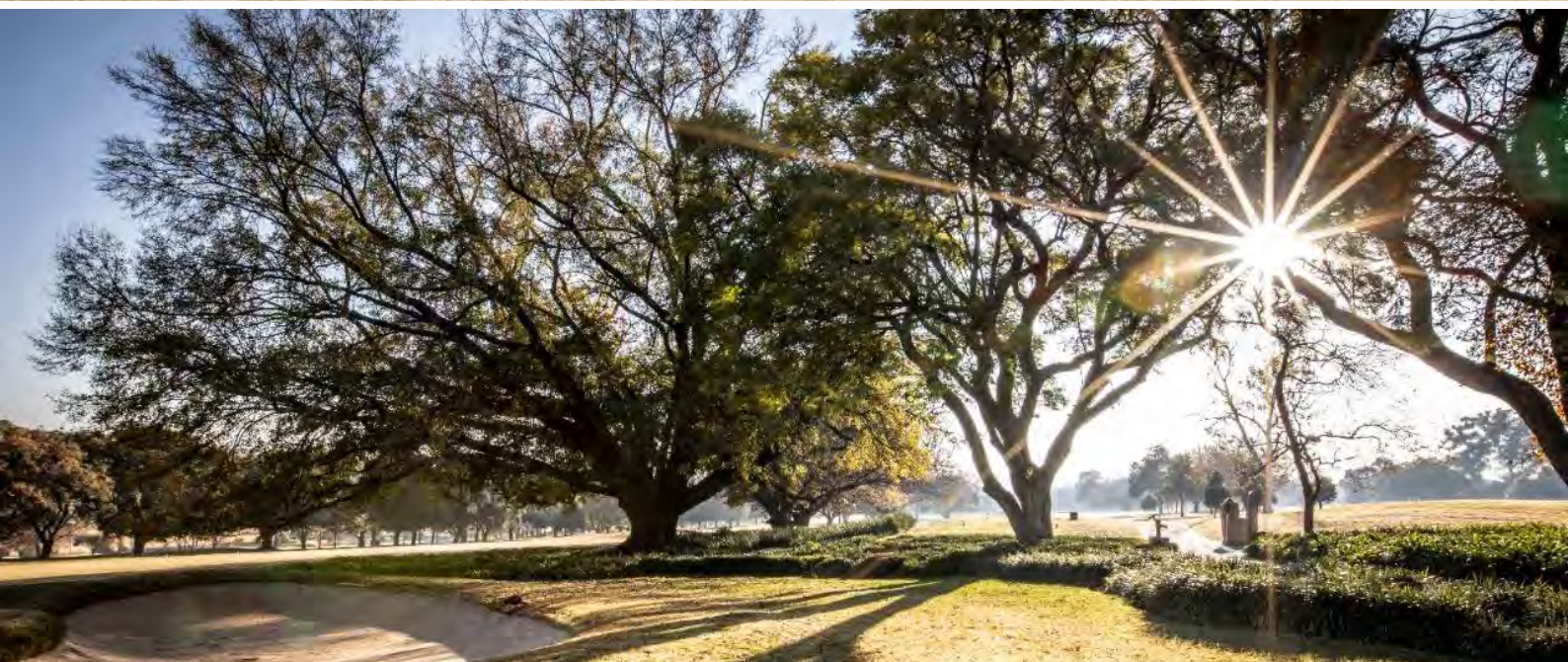


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Past Chairman RJKGC  
(2014, 2015, 2016 & 2020/21)  
League Player (50 years)



**WENDY HUDDY**  
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Golf Club 1993  
Past Lady Captain RJKGC  
(2018/19, 2019/20 & 2020/21)



**CHRISTOPHER BENTLEY**  
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(2019, 2021)  
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CAPTAIN

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CEO Greenballll  
(Environmental solutions)  
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Past Captain RJKGC  
(2020/21)



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LADY CAPTAIN

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Former Head of Special Projects  
Marketing & Corporate Investment  
Banking Nedbank (Nedbank Golf  
Challenge)



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Former Executive (Aviation)  
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CIB  
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(2020/21)



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Resources Consultant)  
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(2020/21)



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Capital Fund Chairman  
(2017, 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21)  
Past Club Chairman & Board member



**TOMMY BURGER**  
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Member of 35 years  
Former CFO / COO  
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Treasurer & Club Captain



**GRAHAM TWADDLE**  
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Life member of RJKGC  
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Served on committee for 17 years  
Past Captain and Chairman of  
RJKGC



**JOHN SAKER**  
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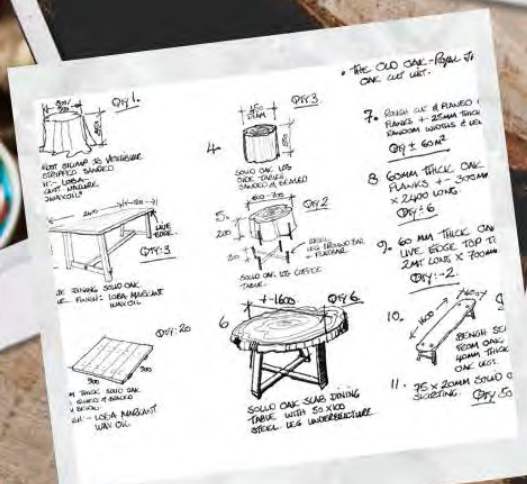
Kids playground



Interior



Mediterranean





After a successful hollowtining treatment that was performed on our West course in early September, the greens have recovered. Although they remain a little furry, putt slower than usual and are still bumpy, this is natural due to their grass type being poa annua and following the required fertilizer applications on these greens.

The poa annua greens did take somewhat longer to recover largely because of a few cold spells and because of having to double hollow tine problem areas on these aged greens. We are now focusing on final mowing heights for the summer and implementing our seasonal chemical applications that will assist the greens in growing more laterally, in turn providing a smoother and better ball roll. Unfortunately, this can only be done once the greens have grown through their hollowtining phase. During the treatment week we also hollowtined the tees and target areas in fairways that become waterlogged in summer due to excessive rains. With the same process in mind, the team have now moved over to the championship East course for treatments in the last week of September.



In last month's course article, we highlighted the stressful period our facility endures in the first part of spring, annually, due to water constraints and how other golfing facilities have different water sources. At this time of year every facility follows best practice according to their means. Our courses are very dry currently due to limited water reserves, but the positives are that we tend to burn/dry out the cool season or poa annua grasses in our kikuyu naturally and use less chemicals to eradicate this. Our courses will also handle rainfall better once the rains do arrive.

We are eager to get our courses back to being lush green once again and as we remain hopeful and anticipate what is seemingly a good rain forecast for early October, we have acquired the necessary fertiliser stock in the meantime and will be applying once our water availability improves.

We would like to remind members that our facility is unique not only in size but due to our water source being mainly rainfall and in turn our dams only collecting water through run-off of this storm water. Our dams are essentially our "banks reserves" so to speak and when there is very little, if any, coming in, we need to preserve and balance what is going out onto our golf courses.

Our boreholes that were re-instated have assisted us greatly in times of need, however, these are also not complete solutions and can dry up from time to time. It is unadvisable for us to fertilise too early as we do not have sufficient water to back up daily irrigation at this time and should a drought occur (as in 2015) we run the very real risk and possibility of wasting money and fertilizer by applying prematurely. Excessive and premature conditioning before our seasonal rains can also lead to thatch accumulation and waterlogged areas which are problems later in the season.

We note that the playability and texture of our bunker sand is also problematic, until the rains arrive. Our East course dam is still to be completed and whilst we usually water the sand to improve the consistency and firm them up, it has been difficult to perform this due to the construction of our dam this past winter. The addition of some extra sand has potentially exacerbated the playability problem, but our bunkers did require more sand and as soon as we can get some more moisture into the bunkers, playability will improve.

Some of our tees too have taken a beating due to scarifying, hollowtining, dry weather and excessive



wear in particular areas and the team have moved tee markers around to alleviate this. We are focusing our irrigation practices mainly on tees and greens currently during the dry spell.

We realise the months of treatments coupled with dry weather and turf can become too much to bear but thank the members for their understanding and support during this time of year. As we all know, the rains will come, and the team are performing the necessary treatments currently to prepare the grounds for rain and

the wonderful conditions we have all come to expect for summer golf.

My sincere thanks to the members for your support through the preparation period

Shaun Brits  
Course Manager





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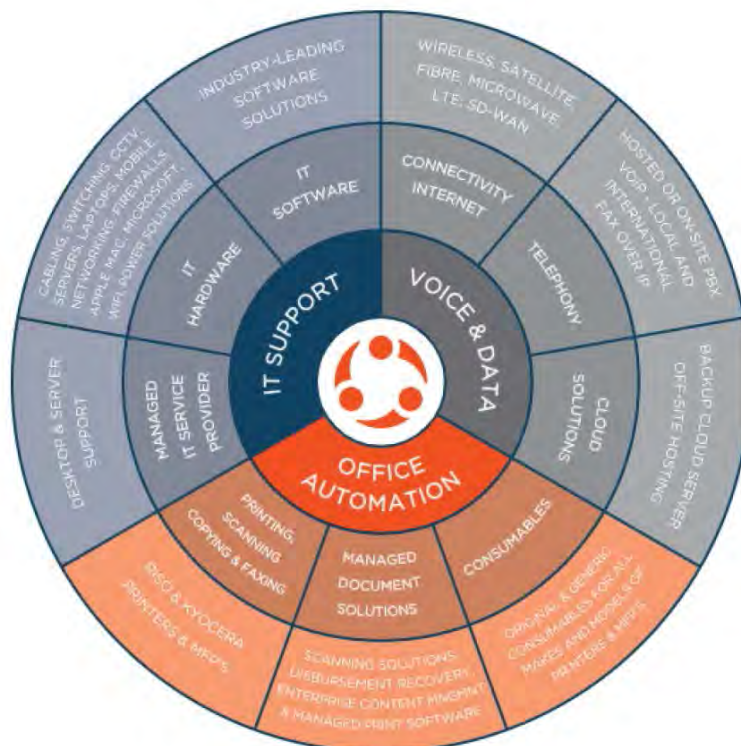
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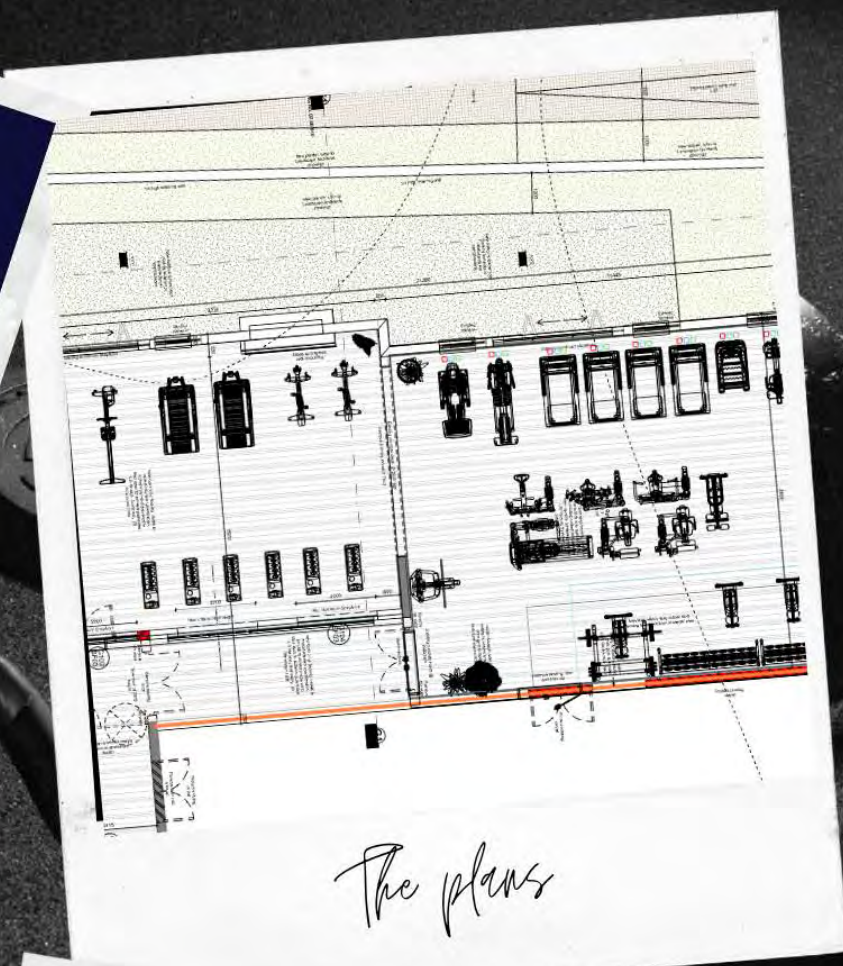
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## The Captain's Note

I sit in front of my PC pondering what is happening in the world of golf and so look forward to this weekend's Ryder Cup. By the time this newsletter has come out the Ryder Cup will be done and dusted as well as our 130th AGM at Royal on the 22nd of September.

I'd like to thank all the members who have started using rakes again to rake the bunkers and please continue doing so as well as repairing all pitch marks on our greens.

The main content of this month's Captain's report will be a bit of feedback on two of our junior members who are now studying in the USA. I am sure many of our members have no idea how well Kian Rose and Sam McKenzie are doing at their respective tertiary institutions



Kian Rose is at Clemson University, in South Carolina and is the only freshmen to make the first team who are in the top ten colleges of division 1. In the first tournament of their new season, Clemson finished

second, one shot off the pace of the winners, Georgia Tech. Kian was 10 under for the three rounds.

There is a story to this! In the second round of the tournament, on the 7th hole, Kian hit his ball to the right, just off the fairway into the semi rough or the first cut. When he got to his ball, there was a very large rattlesnake lying near it and no amount of coaxing this rattlesnake was going to get it to move. Kian and his playing partners needed to identify if it was his ball, which they were unable to do because of the rattlesnake! The lesson that was learnt here is to a) make sure your ball is marked and b) if you can't get a rules official to the hole where the incident occurs, you need to play two balls. The first ball option, is a free drop, a safe distance from, in this case where the rattlesnake was lying, where the ball landed and not nearer the hole. The second ball option is to play a second ball by going back to the tee and play three off the tee. As Kian didn't or couldn't identify his ball, he just went back to the tee and played 3 off the tee to make a triple bogey. This resulted in three extra shots, ultimately costing the team first place as they lost by one. I bet that was a lesson well learnt- good luck Kian for the next round in Texas next week.

Kian's dad Trevor was telling me that when Kian arrived at the university earlier this year for pre-season, he was about 30 to 40 yards behind his teammates. Now, after working out at the gym, he is only between 5 and 10 yards behind his team mates off the tee. I can see a lot of members working out, especially in the 60-year-old plus category in our new gym that will be opening later this year!! We might find the boys going for green in two on 11 East next winter (wink. wink).



Pos	Team	To Par	Thru	Today	R1	R2	R3	Total
1	Georgia Tech	-44	F	-10	264	262	270	796
2	Clemson	-43	F	-13	266	264	267	797
3	Auburn	-31	F	-16	271	274	264	809
4	San Diego State	-30	F	-16	274	272	264	810
5	Louisville	-26	F	-11	273	272	269	814
6	Washington	-25	F	-10	274	271	270	815
7	Arizona	-21	F	-13	277	275	267	819
8	Oregon	-20	F	-13	287	266	267	820
9	Utah	-10	F	-4	281	273	276	830
T10	Alabama	-6	F	-6	287	273	274	834
T10	New Mexico	-6	F	-6	284	276	274	834
12	California	-5	F	+3	279	273	283	835
13	Georgia State	-3	F	-4	284	277	276	837
14	Augusta	+25	F	+8	295	282	288	865



Sam McKenzie is at Midland College, Texas and they compete in the NJCAA Division. Sam started last season and made the GCAA (Golf Coaches Association of America), NJCAA Division 1 Ping All- American Team in June 2021. Sam finished eighth in the NJCAA Division 1 Nationals and is ranked second in his division. They have started the season with a big bang, winning their first tournament with the combined total of minus 30 and Sam came fourth on an individual score of minus 8 under over 36 holes.



Sam has made the final list for the 2021 Jack Nicklaus Award – an award offered to the nation's top men's college golfers in their various divisions. This award is given annually to the nation's top collegiate golfers across divisions 1, 2 and 3 as well as in the NAIA and NJCAA divisions. It is one of the college games most sought-after awards and some of the previous winners in their respective divisions include Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson and Justin Thomas. Another South African on the nominee list is Ryan Van der Klis, brother of Steve van der Klis, of ScoreCapture – Ryan is in the NAIA division.



The boys from Clemson were fortunate to visit the Ping putter vault at Ping's Head office. They keep a replica putter for every professional golfer who plays with a Ping putter, in this vault so they can send the same type of putter to the professional in the event something happens on tour to the professional's putter.



I see a massive opportunity for our resident Pro, Greg Jacobs! He has the workshop at the back of the shop, which could be turned into a putter vault!! I can see a roaring trade of putters being kept for our members, as I know of quite a few members who seem to change their putters on a fairly regular basis due to shafts not being too straight!

I hope to see all of you on the fairways now that summer is around the corner.

In closing, my thanks to the members for your support following the successful 130<sup>th</sup> AGM. It's a privilege to continue as your Club Captain.

Nick Watt-Pringle  
Club Captain





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Congratulations to our new lady captain, Jane Goodwin, who was nominated unopposed to this position on Wednesday 22 September at the 130<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held in the Clubhouse. I am very excited and look forward to working alongside Jane and sincerely hope that she enjoys great support and friendship from you as she starts her term of office. I would also like to congratulate our Chairman, Gordon Odgers on his nomination to remain as Chairman and wish him and all fellow Board members elected at the AGM, a successful and happy term of office.

Many thanks to all those who attended the AGM on Wednesday and to those who sent through apologies. Perhaps one of the highlights of the evening for me was to see Joey Coetzee receive her Life membership award (50 years of service). Joey joined Kensington Golf Club on 30 June 1981 and over the years, has won Club Championships (1987), represented her Club at league and in provincial tournaments and still seriously competes most Tuesdays in the ladies competition. Joey is a great ambassador for the game of golf and joins Julie McWilliam (71 years of membership) and Gill Huddy (57 years of membership) as one of our active lady life members. Congratulations Joey and we all wish you many, many more happy and healthy years on the golf course.

Congratulations are also extended to Chris Bentley on being named the 2021 PGA of SA Professional of the year! There is no higher accolade that a PGA player can receive and how incredibly proud we are of our C.E.O. who so richly deserves this recognition – well done Chris.

As reported in last month's Royal News, Shannon Berry was selected to represent Gauteng in the Nomads SA Girls Tournament that was held at Magaliespark over the weekend 10 to 12 September. Shan finished in 13<sup>th</sup> position in the A division and won the best nett prize for the tournament. This great performance has seen her rise to 25<sup>th</sup> nationally in the junior ladies division. This is just reward for all the hard work that Shannon puts into her game. Shan carried her good form into the Ekurhuleni Junior and Senior Champs held at Serengeti on Sunday 26 September, by again finishing in 13<sup>th</sup> position! Well played Shan – the Club is super proud of you!

September, our spring month, has to date been a very busy month and the Royal ladies have been very active and successful both at Royal and away.

Both the BG's and the Tuesday ladies held very successful spring competitions earlier on in the month and both days we were fortunate to have Sarah Carmichael from Clarins, join us in the morning to hand out wonderful cosmetic purses – such a great way to start the day and grateful thanks to Sarah. The BG's held their Spring Day on Saturday 11 September and although it was a small field, the ladies enjoyed a happy day out. The competition was a betterball bonus bogey and the winners on the West Course were Cilla Hewitt and Laura Hill on + 5 and the winners on the East Course were Niki Christie and Erica Robertson on + 6. The winners were delighted with the flowers that they won on the day and all enjoyed the champagne that was on offer, kindly sponsored by Chris Bentley.



The Tuesday ladies Spring Trophy Open Day was held on 14 September and was very well supported and enjoyed by both members and their guests. The competition was a fourball alliance and the Spring Trophy was won by the team of Lelane Straw, Val McKenzie, Stephanie Pond and a pivot on a fine score of 90 points. Beautiful flowers as prizes, delicious pizzas from the kitchen for lunch and champagne again sponsored by Chris Bentley, all combined to make this a very happy and enjoyable day. Thank you to those of you who invited visitors to play.







Several of our ladies competed in the Ladies Golf Gauteng CANSA teams of two competition held at Eye of Africa on 14 September and congratulations must go to Niki Christie and her partner Leslie Nienaber from Ebotse, who were counted out into second position on 45 points! Good job ladies!

Our two league teams have both finished playing league for 2021 and are to be congratulated on their fine seasons. Sincere thanks must go to Lynn Gardner and Sandra van den Bergh for managing their teams in such an efficient way and to all our league players who have represented our Club with much pride and enthusiasm for the season. It is not yet clear what lies ahead for the ladies league season next year, but I will keep you updated once we have been informed.

After a couple of weeks off, Ash Buhai obviously felt well rested as she competed in the weather affected Cambia Portland Classic that was played in Florida from 16 to 19 September. The tournament was reduced to 54 holes after severe weather halted play on the Saturday and Ash went on to finish in a tie for 8<sup>th</sup> position. Great golf from her!

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September saw the ladies playing a betterball stableford competition in the annual Ryder Cup trophy day. Our two captains for the day, Lisa de Sousa for Europe and Shirley Dallas for USA, both instilled much confidence and excitement in their players and spoilt the ladies with caps and balls but eventually it was the steady golf of the American team that pulled through and they were crowned the winners of the 2021 Ryder Cup – the aggregate team points were USA – 367 and Europe 352. Another happy and enjoyable day was had by all who played with the winning betterball team on the day being Liza van Wyk and Ricky Sheppard on a fine score on 48 points – well played ladies!

I look forward to seeing many of you around the Club and welcoming back those of you who have been unable to play this wonderful game over the past few months.

Kind regards

Wendy Huddy

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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.*

A 100.

That is the amount of swing coaches Brad Faxon, PGA Tour winner and putting legend, has worked with in his career. If that number doesn't blow you away the next number will:

Zero (or close to it).

As in the amount of putting coaches he has worked with in his life!

I discovered these facts while doing research for a presentation I did recently on the short game and in particular, putting.

As astounding as it was to realize how many swing instructors Faxon has consulted it was even more interesting to note that one of the greatest putters of the modern era has not received much "putting coaching". Talk about being a "modern" player in one aspect of the game and a complete "throwback" in another!

In this month's RJK Swing Thoughts we do a deep dive into the mind of a player who epitomised the moniker of "drive for show and putt for dough" and how his mental approach to becoming a great putter is accessible to all of us.

Unique doesn't mean uninformed

Faxon sites an interaction he had with Ben Crenshaw early in his career as a catalyst for becoming the putter he would later be. The main point Crenshaw made? Relax. Not only that but he also did very few things like players are taught these days. He would take the putter back further than he followed through and mentioned that he didn't mind lower body movement! Talk about giving a short game coach a heart attack.

This is not me engaging in an argument between science and nature and which one is better for getting the ball in the hole. One cannot argue that the scientific aspect of the game, and in particular, the science of the short-game, has given us many advances. However, it is also important to remember that many aspects of golf, when executed well, are still a balance between art and science.

This trade-off is the one most golfers are unwilling to accept. For some they need more science in their game while others would be better served doing things that come more naturally to them. Your task as a golfer when it comes to the mental side of your putting? Figure out which side you are more in need of. Brad Faxon surely did.

"Don't have dinner with bad putters"

This gem was offered up by the legendary Harvey Penick and Faxon sites this as a mind-set he stuck to during his playing days. As Faxon alludes to it might be a cliché but if you don't heed this advice you will soon find yourself on the receiving end of some bad putting imagery and overly negative talk about one of the most important parts of the game.

THE SCPGA PRESENTS  
**BRAD FAXON, PGA**



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Why do players love talking badly about their putting? I believe it is due to two factors:

One is pure embarrassment. Putting is straight-forward, you either make it or you miss it. Our acceptance as golfers is not similarly dualistic and many players feel the need to “explain away” or blame other factors. The second aspect is that misery loves company. For every player I work with that believes that they are good at putting I have at least 8 to 9 that have spoken themselves into bad putting. It seems that the other 8 or 9 players love to share horror stories about their 3, 4 and 5 putts when they are together.

Once again things are never exactly how they seem with putting and one doesn't just become a bad putter through a few negative comments. However, when negative comments become a habit and blaming becomes a pattern you had better start changing how you think when you are on the greens. Either that or the other committed readers of this column are going to avoid you at all cost.

#### Practice with different clubs

It is a well-known fact that Faxon worked with the renowned psychologist Dr. Bob Rotella and he speaks about how in one of their first sessions Rotella caught

him by surprise. Faxon spoke about how he was tense about his putting and how he felt very technical about this part of his game. Rotella gave him a simple task: take out your 5-wood and try to get the ball in the hole using it as a putter.

Faxon dutifully ran through his whole bag of “putters” and even used the heel and leading edges of his putter. Not only did he not do too badly he even made a few. Rotella's message? You are talented and skilled enough to make putts with any club in your bag.

Surely that doesn't apply to me Theo? It most certainly does dear Royal Member. Many golfers I work with give themselves less credit they deserve for their talent and skill. This game is a great way of reminding yourself of the skill and talent you possess to get the ball in the hole, regardless of the tool you use.

I am not saying putt with your 3-wood on Sunday on West. However, I am saying that the fun you will have while putting with your driver will remind you why you fell in love with golf in the first place and getting the ball in the hole. Let's be honest there are few better things than seeing the ball disappear into that white cup. The way it gets there is unique to every putt so why shouldn't your approach to putting be as unique as the putts you sink? Brad Faxon certainly thinks it should.





# MEMBER CALENDAR

## OCTOBER

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## DATES TO NOTE

East Course Hollow tining	Fri 1 Oct
Seve Ballesteros Evening @ Royal	Fri 1 Oct
Club Comp Betterball Stableford	Sat 2 Oct
Mid Amateur League Round 10	Sat 2 Oct
Senior Betterball League Round 5	Sun 3 Oct
Club Closed	Mon 4 Oct
Ladies Comp - Individual Stableford TBC	Tue 5 Oct
Club Comp - Betterball Bonus Bogey	Sat 9 Oct
Betterball League	Sun 10 Oct
Club Closed	Mon 11 Oct
Ladies Comp - Ladies Open - 4 Ball Alliance	Tues 12 Oct
Greg's Day	Wed 13 Oct
Club Comp - Individual Stableford	Sat 16 Oct
Club Closed	Mon 18 Oct
Ladies Comp - 4 Ball Alliance	Tues 19 Oct
Club Comp - 4 Ball Alliance	Sat 23 Oct
Scratch League Round 7	Sun 24 Oct
Senior Betterball League Round 6	Sun 24 Oct
Club Closed	Mon 25 Oct
Ladies Comp - 3 Ball Alliance	Tues 26 Oct
Mid Amateur League Round 11	Sat 30 Oct

## NOVEMBER

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## DATES TO NOTE

Public Holiday - Municipal Elections - Club Open	Mon 1 Nov
Ladies Comp - Individual Stableford	Tue 2 Nov
Member Guest Tournament	Sat 6 Nov
Scratch League Round 8	Sun 7 Nov
Club Closed	Mon 8 Nov
Ladies Comp - 4 Ball Alliance	Tue 9 Nov
Club Comp - Betterball Bonus Bogey	Sat 13 Nov
Club Closed	Mon 15 Nov
Ladies Comp - Betterball Stableford	Tues 16 Nov
Club Comp - Individual Stableford	Sat 20 Nov
Scratch League R9	Sun 21 Nov
Club Closed	Mon 22 Nov
Festival of Golf - Ladies Open Comp	Tues 23 Nov
Festival of Golf - Big Cup 9 Holes	Tues 23 Nov
Festival of Golf - Captains & Sponsors Day	Tue 23 Nov
Festival of Golf - Gregs Day (1920's dress up)	Wed 24 Nov
Festival of Golf - Gauteng Seniors Comp	Thurs 25 Nov
Festival of Golf - Meat Comp	Thurs 25 Nov
Festival of Golf - 8 Ball Comando (Superheroes Dress Up)	Fri 26 Nov
Festival of Golf - North South challenge (German Beerfest Dress Up)	Sat 27 Nov
Festival of Golf - Night Golf	Sat 27 Nov
Festival of Golf - Mixed Open	Sun 28 Nov
Club Closed	Mon 29 Nov
Ladies Comp - 4 Ball Alliance	Tues 30 Nov



# The Golfers Scorecard

Bring out the sunscreen, shorts and T shirts, SUMMER has finally arrived with a few very hot spells being experienced over the last week of September. I'm sure we all agree that we are eagerly awaiting our famous summer rains to get rid of this winter atmosphere.

## League results

And its official - the Betterball West team have stayed unbeaten with only one game left. This does mean that the West team have secured first place and will move up a division. Huge congratulations must go out to them on how consistently well they played this season.

## Standings

Betterball East:	Lying 5 <sup>th</sup>
Betterball West:	Lying 1 <sup>st</sup>
Mid Am A:	Lying 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Mid Am B:	Lying 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Scratch 1 <sup>st</sup> :	Lying 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Scratch 2 <sup>nd</sup> :	Lying 4 <sup>th</sup>
Juniors:	Lying 4 <sup>th</sup>
SNR Betterball A:	Lying 2 <sup>nd</sup>
SNR Betterball B:	Lying 11 <sup>th</sup>

## Important Dates

- Friday 1 Oct – Ryder Cup Evening (remembering Seve Ballesteros)
- Saturday 6 Nov – Member Guest Trophy
- Tuesday 23 Nov – Sunday 28 Nov: Festival of Golf

## Special Mentions

- Just a reminder to all members that if you have not yet collected your Srixon Handicap cards, to please do so at the front desk. The new cards look like this.



- Congratulations to Mavela Dlamini and Bongu Mokaba and Della Stapleton and Mike Wardle for reaching the Mixed Knockout final. May the best pair win.
- Huge congrats to all the members that played in the Choc Cancer Challenge. This is always a great foundation to support and all members can be extremely proud to be part of the event. Just a reminder that if you are in the prizes, please ensure you pick them up at reception.

## August Rule Question

Terry hits his drive on our Championship East Course where he presumes his drive has landed in the fairway bunker. When he walks up to the bunker, he realises that it's not in the bunker and after 3 minutes Terry unfortunately cannot find his ball. He then proceeds to call you for a ruling, what do you give him.

- A. Terry is supposed to take a drop inside the bunker, 1 shot penalty.
- B. Terry is supposed to take a 1 club length drop outside the bunker with a 1 shot penalty.
- C. Terry can't find his ball which means he needs to go back to the tee and play under the lost ball rule.
- D. There is no penalty, but Terry must place the ball nearest to the point he thinks it landed.

Answer: (C).

Jayde Rademeyer

Club Operations





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<b>Beef Wellington</b> (On request 48 hours lead time)	SQ



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# RUHAN'S WINE CELLAR

With Heritage Day and October right on our doorstep and spring now in full swing, we are celebrating all things South African from Heritage to Wine, and what better wine than the uniquely South African Varietal that is Pinotage. With loads of producers in South Africa, there are lots to choose from and the quality is exceptional. My two picks this month are the Lanzerac Pinotage and the award winning Rijks Pinotage but before we get into them, let's talk Pinotage for a bit, the story behind it and where it originates from.

Pinotage is a red wine grape that is South Africa's signature variety, with smokey, fruity and earthy flavours, sometimes with notes of bananas and tropical fruit - there is so much to talk about when the topic of Pinotage, a uniquely South African grape, comes up. From historic tales of creation – merging Pinot Noir and Hermitage (Cinsaut) grapes – to today's legends crafting the latest Pinotage or Pinotage blends. The Pinotage tale is one worth telling and should always end where it is enjoyed with friends, food or maybe even somewhere alone with a bottle of Pinotage as your company.

The story of Pinotage starts with its creator, Prof. Abraham Izak Perold. Perold's academic achievements paved the way for the creation of Pinotage and included a B.A. degree in Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry, Ph.D in Chemistry (Germany) and a temporary professorship in Chemistry at the University of Cape Town. This background equipped him with a very unique skill set and after his professorial stint in 1906 the Cape government, wanting to extend the range of grapes planted in the region, sent Perold on a grape varietal scouting mission. Upon his return with 177 varieties he became the first professor of Viticulture at Stellenbosch University and later became Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture. He joined the KWV in 1927 and made a huge contribution to the wine industry during his time there. To this day the 177 varieties still form part of a collection at the Welgevallen Experimental Farm of the University of Stellenbosch.

In 1925 Perold successfully crossed Pinot noir and Cinsaut, which was then known as Hermitage. Hence the name Pino – tage. Prof. CJ Theron succeeded in rescuing and reproducing the original seedlings, of which there were only four, and undertook the considerable task of evaluation.





Sixteen years later, Charl Theron de Waal (known as CT de Waal), produced the first barrel of Pinotage wine in 1941 in Stellenbosch. The name appeared on a wine label for the first time in 1961, namely the SFW's 1959 Lanzerac Pinotage. Nobody's been bottling Pinotage longer than Lanzerac and this wine shows a wealth of experience with this proudly South African variety. The 2018 Pinotage boasts an excellent deep colour, ripe berries and plums on the nose and palate with a good mouth-feel and lingering aftertaste. With 5 to 10 years' maturation, this wine will start to acquire the velvet density and luxurious chocolate and caramel flavours of its very early Lanzerac predecessors. A full-bodied, complex wine with a beautiful balance between fruit and wood showcasing a good tannin structure that will allow it to age extremely well. Pair this proudly South African wine with flavourful dishes such as Kalahari venison medallions with a plum sauce, Cajun-spiced 'blackened' fish or a traditional Cape Malay curry.

The Rijks Private Cellar Pinotage from Award Winning Winemaker Pierre Wahl is regarded as a superlative one. This deep coloured Pinotage lives up to its expectations with its complex nose showing off layers of blackberry, as well as red berry aromas. Some mulberry notes, with underlying coconut and cinnamon spice on the nose are also present. Silky, elegant tannins keep this wine in perfect harmony and balance on a rich, mouth filling palate.

Pinotage matches best with meats like venison, goat, and lamb. You can also easily pair Pinotage with beef as well, though I'd recommend heavier cuts like flank steak or skirt steak. Lamb kebabs, burgers, and grilled pork chops will also pair well with Pinotage. It can handle a spicy sauce like mesquite BBQ sauce or sweet fruity sauces like plum sauce; both bring out a different character of the wine.

Both these wines are available for purchase at Royal Johannesburg & Kensington Golf Club at a special price.

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Hope you enjoy these beautiful wines as much as I do!

Cheers!

Yours in hospitality

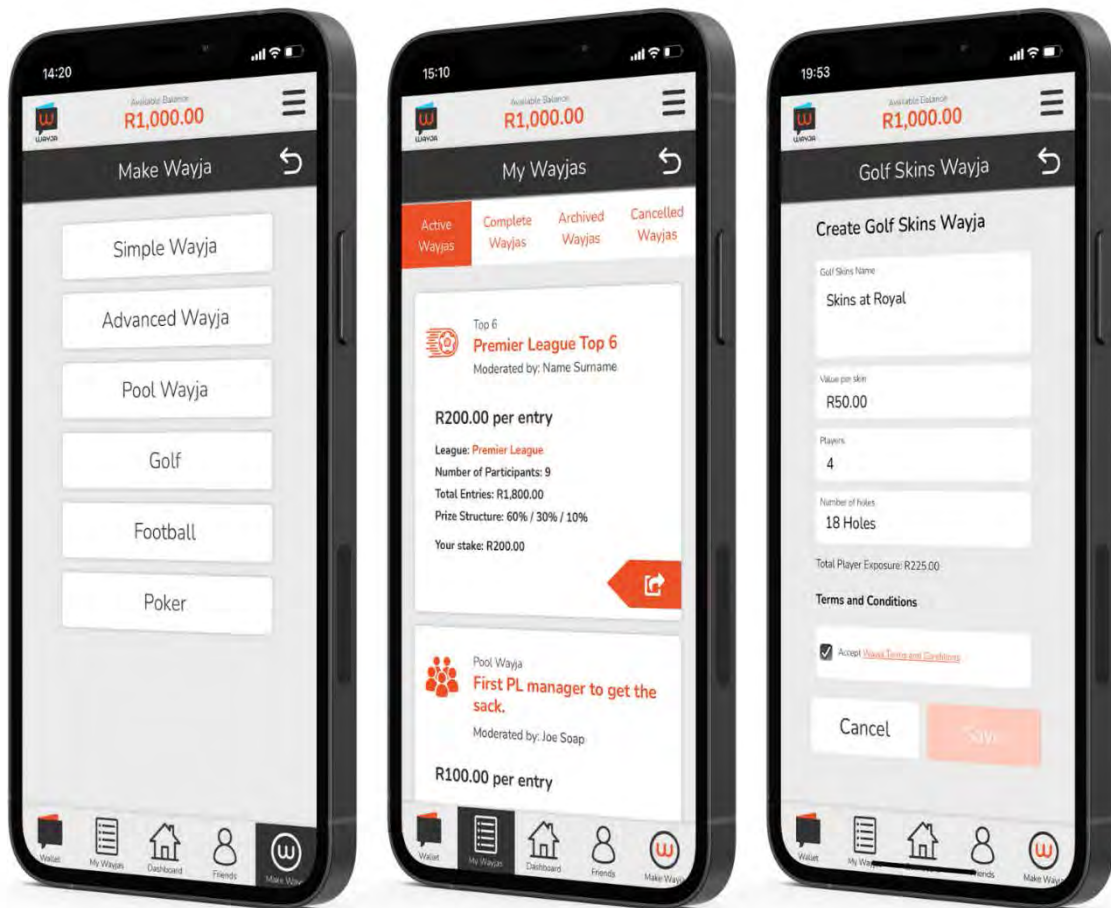
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To celebrate the Ryder Cup we have a custom designed European Ryder cup FJ Pro SL and FJ Flex XP.





## Your monthly golf tip

Exciting times for me at the driving range as Jayde joins as a partner from November. Jayde will focus on operations and marketing of the range which leaves Gavan and me free for teaching and focusing on teaching, juniors and school programmes.

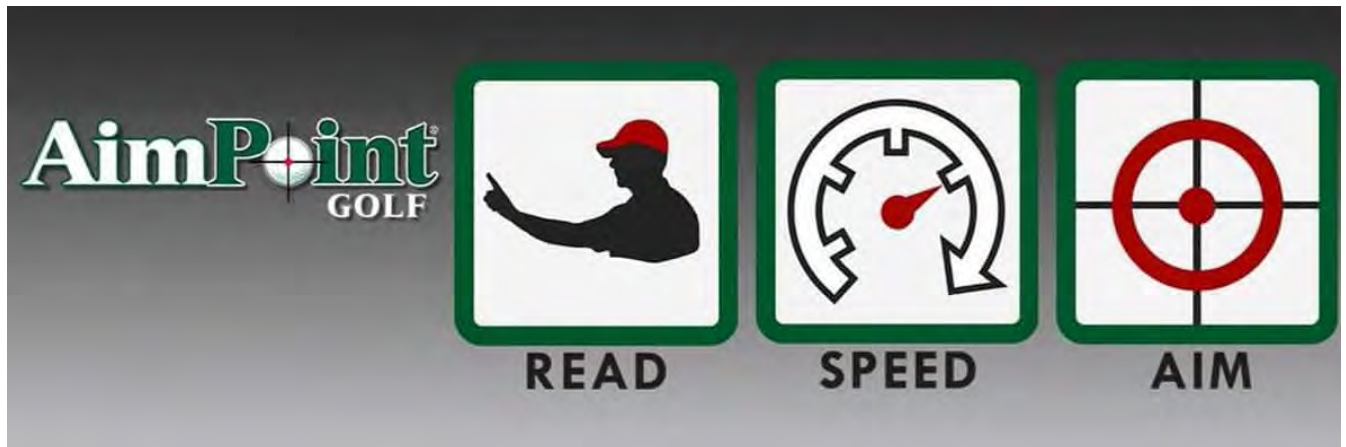
We look forward to hosting more functions for members and their families at the Range. We will be selling refreshments from November for those hot days of summer.

Take a look at the video below, as it will give you a glimpse of what we do with schools – we will be expanding on the school and junior programmes next year. During kids classes we focus on a pre shot routine to get kids to get their set ups right so in the video there will be a tip for everyone on how to develop your pre shot routine.





## AimPoint – 🍌



### AimPoint at The Ryder Cup

The excitement is building for the Ryder Cup and by the time this article is published either Europe or the USA will walk away with victory.

We have a couple of AimPointers in the mix in both teams:

#### Team Europe

- Tommy Fleetwood (won the Million Dollar in Nov 2019 with a lot of AimPoint shown on tv)
- Rory McIlroy (started dabbling with AimPoint a year ago)
- Viktor Hovland (often you see him on TV using AimPoint)
- Paul Casey (been using Aimpoint for years)
- Sergio Garcia (been using Aimpoint on and off for years)
- Ian Poulter (been using Aimpoint on and off for years)

#### Team USA

- Dustin Johnson (his brother Austin does all his AimPoint reads and often seen on tv)
- Bryson DeChambeau (saw his caddy on TV use AimPoint recently)
- Brooks Koepka (saw a photo this week of Brooks practising AimPoint reads at the practice round of the Ryder Cup)

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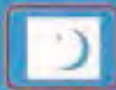
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