



The Goose Valley Golf Club

Newsletter August 2020

Hi there from the Goose Valley Team

The only good thing about lockdown was the ability for our divots and pitch marks to recover. When we re-opened the golf course, the fairways and greens were absolutely perfect but unfortunately the basic etiquette of filling divots and repairing pitch marks seems to still be on lockdown!!! The management team has instructed our starters and marshals to be a lot more stern on those players that continue to ignore the basic rules of protecting the golf course. A big “thank you” to those members who go out of their way to fix the many pitch marks as well as refilling their own sand bottles a few times during the round while filling in other people’s divots. We will be adopting the same no mask no entry with the no sandbag no play!! We have also brought in a plastic R10 divot tool in the shop so there will be no excuses for not fixing a pitch mark. LET’S CONTINUE TO KEEP OUR COURSE LOOKING PERFECT.

We have embarked on our next project of leveling certain tee boxes. While the work is being carried out, the tees will be moved forward on those holes for a short period until the grass has recovered.

The government’s COVID regulations are still in place and we have set our first tee time at 08:30 for two reasons, one being to allow the staff to get checked in and for us to prepare for the day, the second is to allow the greenkeepers to arrive, sanitize everything and get out watering and prepping the course for play. We request all players to please adhere to the start times and not to arrive early to try to squeeze off before other bookings in the system.

WE REMIND ALL GOLFERS TO PLEASE:

Keep up with the players ahead of you; Tend to your pitch marks on the greens and to repair all divots; Be watchful for snakes;
Not to consume the recycled effluent water that is used on the course



FIRST ROUNDS OF THE DAY

NO one is permitted to start play before checking in at the Pro Shop.
The first tee time is 8:30 am

PROSHOP OPERATING HOURS

The current Pro Shop opening hours:
8:30 am to 17.00 pm

LOCAL RULE – PREFERRED LIES

From 1 April 2019, and until further notice, there will be no more placing on fairways.

1 July 4 ball alliance

Place: Peter Baxter, Ian Bloom, John Wilschut, Andy Mynhardt 85pts

Place: James Adams, Piet Boer, Rob Ryan, Danny D'Hooghe 87pts

Nearest the pin 5th: Elrich Juries

Nearest the pin 11th: Jono Ackerman

15 July Betterball

4th Place: Simon Mottershead & Daniel Gouws 43pts

3rd Place: Billy Gibson & Dave Hodgeson 45pts

2nd Place: Bill Alexander & Alan Farquhar 46pts

1st Place: Ruan Smit & Scott Atherstone 47pts

Nearest the pins

2nd – Andy Mynhardt

11th – Alan Farquhar

8 July Betterball

(1 to count on odd and 2 to count on even holes)

th Place: Vincent Windvogel & Johnny Prins 56pts

3rd Place: Dave Hodgson & John Rintoul 57pts

2nd Place: Enquin Le Roux & Frans Coetzee 62pts

1st Place: Don Searle & Fred Gannet 64pts

Nearest the pins

2nd – Simon Mottershead

13th – Garth Gregory

22 July Betterball 2 to count on par 3's

4th Place: Richard Snowden & David Brown 48pts

3rd Place: Jelli Jelliman & George Powter 49pts

2nd Place: Bill Alexander & Jean Hubert 50pts

1st Place: Bernie King & Gerald Riemer 53pts

Nearest the pins

2nd – Nicolas Richardson

11th – John Taylor

29 July Betterball Stableford

4th Place: Domonic Wall & Leo Penny 43pts (C-in)

3rd Place: Bruce Martin & Don Searle 44pts

2nd Place: Billy Gibson & Barry Walters 47pts

1st Place: Ruan Smit & Scott Atherstone 48pts

Nearest the pins

2nd – Lawrence Boer

11th – James Adams

2 July 2020 Individual Stableford

3rd Place: Anne Riemer – Nett 76

2nd Place: Angela Collins - Nett 71

1st Place: Mare Gibson – Nett 71(C-In)

Nearest the pin 11th: Wendy Pretorius

Best Putts - Terri Bloom 31 putts

16 July 3 Ball Alliance 2 to count

1st Place

Pietro Bester, Norma Taylor, Mel Glennie(pvt)

On 82 Points

Nearest the pin 11th: Anne Riemer

9 July Individual Stableford

Nearest to the Pin : 5th : Gail Wall

Straightest Drive : 18th : Shoni Booysen

3rd Place: Anne Riemer 32pts

2nd Place: Angela Collins 32pts (C/In)

1st Place: Zoe Botha 33pts

23 July 2020 Individual Stableford

Best front 9

1st – Angela Collins 23pts

2nd – Marina Baxter 21pts

Best back 9

1st – Mare Gibson 21pts

2nd – Karin Derbyshire 18pts (C-in)

Best 18 holes

1st Angela Collins 41pts

2nd – Mare Gibson 37pts (C-in)

Nearest the pins

5th – Angela Collins

11th – Mare Gibson

23 July 2020 Betterball Stableford

3rd Place: Helen Bolton & Tessa Hinton 44pts

2nd Place: Di MacEwan & Linda Victor 47pts

1st Place: Jenny Richardson & Andrea Rattray 49pts

Nearest the pins

5th – Angela Collins

11th – Mare Gibson

Hole in One



Congratulations to Quintin Pitt on his ACE at the 11th hole on Thursday 30 July 2020. This was Quintin's 4th hole in one.

A word from our PGA Pro.....

This page will be a form of communication from me to you, golf tips, lesson specials, new ideas, results of certain comps as well as general chats between members and their pro. Feel free to send me any questions or comments to

bookings@goosevalleygolfclub.com (for my attention)

Daniel Gouws
Class A PGA Professional



TOUCHING LIVES
THROUGH THE
GAME OF GOLF

I will be introducing a once a month group class for both men and ladies on a Saturday morning. Each month will cover a different area of the game like:

- 1. Bunker play*
- 2. Chipping*
- 3. More distance with your driver*
- 4. Compress your irons*

I will be explaining and demonstrating how to execute each shot and more importantly WHAT NOT TO DO which I think will help you to understand your mistakes on the course.

*The first class will be held on **Saturday 15 August at 10am** and will cover **BUNKER PLAY***

Cost R75pp (includes 1 range bucket)

Sign up in the golf shop

Members and Visitors are welcome

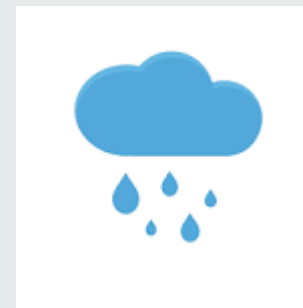
Thinking about new equipment?

If you are thinking about new clubs or anything equipment related, I encourage you to come have a chat to me. With many years of club fitting experience, I will gladly offer advice and remember our Pro Shop can get you anything you want as far as golf equipment goes.....At member prices!!



Rainfall:

July 2019:	53.5 mm
July 2020:	12 mm
Jan - July 2019:	222.5mm
Jan - July 2020:	256 mm



A note from our Green Keeper:

Wesley Paine

Head Golf Course Superintendent

I can't believe how this year has flown by! In a month's time it will be Spring and the golf course will come alive again. During the lockdown, with limited staff we were still able to maintain the important areas on the golf course. The course actually recovered well after a busy season and all divots, pitch marks and traffic stress disappeared. It has become a problem again after the course has opened and we remind all golfers to please repair their divot and pitch marks.

We are very fortunate that all of our staff are still healthy and hopefully with all the right protocols we have in place it will stay that way.

During the winter season was the perfect time for us to improve on a few areas on the course. We added drainage to the 7th fairway. We are currently busy levelling tee boxes, and getting the course ready for season. You will also notice the two dead pine trees between 1 Tee and the 9th has been removed. We have a couple of projects to do still in the next few weeks before the course gets too busy.

I hope to see you all out on the course and stay safe!

WORLD GOLF NEWS:



Golf has a new world number 1 in John Rahm, thanks to his win at The Memorial he now follows the only other Spanish legend, Ballesteros, to take the world number 1 spot. The pressure of being the best in the world is clearly evident as Rahm crashed to +4 after 2 rounds in this weeks WGC event – (and who thought pressure was what comes out of a tap?)



Miguel Angel Jimenez broke the record for most European Tour starts, 707 events and then posted a flawless 8-under 64 of the 1st round of the Hero Open. His career earnings is \$34 883 427



Eddie Pepperell was DQ'd not once, but twice and almost a 3rd time in his last 7 events!!! The 1st time was for running out of golf balls, the 2nd time was signing for a wrong score on 2 holes and the almost 3rd time was because he didn't have his own pencil under the covid rules.....(rules stated you need your own sanitized pencil, no borrowing) 2 x DQ's after under par 1st rounds must have cost him a few \$\$\$\$\$

Upcoming Events in August

Saturday 8 August

Tee off 4 Tourism golf day to raise funds for families in the tourism industry effected by COVID-19
96 players already booked

Friday 14 August

Our Derby day is back again
Tee times 1 1:40 to 12:30 – 2 Tee Start
R25 raffle ticket to win a R750 meat hamper

Sunday 23 August

Mixed Social
Format is scramble drive then play your own ball from the best selected tee shot (must use a min of 5 tee shots each)
Applicable greenfees + R100 entry fee with lunch included

Hollowtining Dates

Monday 5 Oct

TO

Saturday 17 Oct

Reduced rates will be offered to all players during the two weeks of maintenance

Week 1 – 5 Oct to 11 Oct

Members fees R98 for 18 and R80 for 9

Visitors fees R165 for 18 and R120 for 9

Week 2 – 12 Oct to 18 Oct

Members fees R98 for 18 and R80 for 9

Visitors fees R175 for 18 and R140 for 9

We ARE THRILLED TO INTRODUCE OUR PREMIER RENTAL PROPERTY:

*S*pacious & luxurious home with magnificent North views overlooking the 16th fairway and the Tsitsikamma Mountains, situated in Fairway Close Private Estate, Goose Valley, Plettenberg Bay.

With 4 full en-suite bedrooms, this is the perfect holiday house for a touring 4-ball or simply for family and friends to get together.

The open-plan living area is spacious with a large smart TV, Wi-Fi, outside braai (BBQ) and plenty of space both in and outside to relax and enjoy the views, no matter the weather.

The kitchen is well equipped to cater for any meal.

Within walking distance of the club house, guests can enjoy the restaurant, swimming pool and both the tennis & squash courts on this secure golf estate.

Contact Claire on 060 526 5740 for any enquiries or bookings



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