



The Goose Valley Golf Club

Newsletter March 2021

Hi there from the Goose Valley Team

March 2021

With the new level 1 restrictions, we have continued with certain protocols at the club which are based on GolfRSA's guidelines as well as the continued threat of the virus. We will continue with the "NO rakes in bunkers" as well as keeping the showers closed, however members may bring their own towels and soaps and use the facilities AT YOUR OWN RISK. The showers will continue to be closed to all outside visitors.

Prize giving will continue as normal within 30 minutes of the last cards being handed in – on this note, we appeal to all players to keep up to the fourball ahead of you and to hand your card in ASAP. With a 1 tee start, the field is spread out over a longer period hence getting back to the clubhouse and getting prize giving done without delays. We will also continue to load the winnings onto accounts and not do any "handovers" of actual prizes/meat. This way we ensure the correct protocols are in place and that we adhere to the social distancing guidelines.

Our first tee time is now 7am – again we are aligning with protocols and guidelines as well as allowing the course staff enough time to get the course ready for the day's play. Please note that we will NOT be allowing any early walk-ins to play before 7am.

The afternoon twilight rate is still R200 for all visitors and the time has been brought forward to 4pm – this is a walking rate for golfer not taking any rentals like clubs or golf carts.

We have noticed a few rounds being played "after hours" without checking in on the day – please note that this is strictly NOT ALLOWED. The correct procedure is to ensure that there are sufficient funds on your club account, notify the shop of your intention to play late so that your round can be deducted from your account. **Under no circumstances is anyone allowed to play without paying or checking in.**

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.
From 1 December to 15th December the first tee time is **7:00 am**

PROSHOP OPERATING HOURS

The current Pro Shop opening hours:
7 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.

NEW STROKES

HOLE 4 IS NOW STROKE 5

HOLE 6 IS NOW STROKE 9

NEW COMPETITION HANDICAP CALCULATION

As of 1 March 2021, the world handicapping system has implemented a new COMPETITION HANDICAP (PH) for all competitions. Players will now have 3 “handicaps” - refer to page 11 for more details...

INTER ESTATE CHALLENGE

The popular Inter Estate Challenge event will be starting again in April.

Provisional dates: (Team of 12)

25 April – Goose Valley

23 May – Oubaai

27 June – Pinnacle Point

25 July – Kingswood

22 August – Mossel Bay

Those players who are keen to take part can contact Daniel or Leo Penney

NEW WEBSITE & COURSE LAYOUT

Please remember to visit our newly updated website for all of our latest news, results, upcoming competitions and even the weather!

Don't forget to check out our superb course layout via the eCaddy link which will also be helpful during your round:

<http://www.ecaddy.co.za/glc/courses/goosevalley/>



3 Feb - Betterball Stableford

3rd: Deon Christians & Randal Bower 44pts

2nd Piet Ferreira & John Taylor 46pts

1st Bruce Martin & Gerrie Gourie 46pts

Nearest the pins:

2nd Bill Alexander 5th Wesley Pain

11th Martin Brassey 13th Jean Hubert

2 Clubs: S O'Sullivan, D Searle, B Alexander, K McEwan

R Squire

Alliance winners: **Martin, Botha, Bailey, Fourie 88pts**

10 Feb2021 – Individual Stableford

3rd Wessel Banade 38pts

2nd Don Searle 39pts

1st Sean O'Sullivan 40pts

Nearest the pins:

2nd Lindsay Robertson 5th Rob Ryan

11th John Rintoul 13th Chris Lister-James

17 Feb 2021 Golf Results – Betterball Stableford

3rd Peter Bailey & John Rintoul 42pts

2nd Billy Gibson & Barry Walters 43pts

1st Ruan Smit & Scott Atherstone 45pts

2 Clubs: J Ackerman, P Bailey, B Gibson, D Engstrom,

R Smit, L Heyns

NTP

2nd Billy Gibson

5th James Adams

Alliance: Riaan Smit, Havenga, Penney, Dale 88pts

24 Feb 2021 Golf Results – Betterball Stableford

3rd: Daniel Gouws & Simon Mottershead 43pts

2nd: Robert Wigget & John Taylor 43pts

1st Frans Coetzee & Johny Prins 44pts

NTPs : 2nd Andy Mynhardt

5th Don Engstrom

11th Peter Bailey

13th Simon Mottershead

2 Clubs : I Bloom, S Tanner, L Bray, D Gouws

4 Feb 2021 Ladies Results

4 ball alliance – Waltz

2nd Shoni Booysen, Wendy Pretorius, Arlene Weinstein,

Mell Glennie (PVT) 81pts

1st Mell Glennie, Debbie Gillespie, Angela Colins,

Karen Derbyshire 84pts

2 Clubs: Debbie Gillespie, Norma Taylor

NTP 11th – Norma Taylor

11 Feb 2021 Ladies Results

Betterball Stableford – both count on par 3's

3rd: Terri Bloom & Daphne Bain Ven 47pts

2nd: Debbie Torrey & Pietro Bester 48pts

1st: Anita Muller & Sue van der Berg 50pts

Nearest the pin 11th: Anne Riemer

18 Feb 2021 Ladies Results

Individual Stableford

3rd: Chantel Dale 36pts

2nd: Mare Gibson 38pts

1st: Debbie Gillespie 39pts

NTP 5th Debbie Gillespie (hole in one)

NTP 11th Norma Taylor

25 Feb 2021 Ladies Results

Betterball Stableford

3rd: Vippy Hellman & Val Kidd 40pts

2nd: Yvette Negrine & Bev Lowrie 41pts

1st: Chantel Dale & Marti Jelliman 43pts

NTP 5th Mel Glennie

NTP 11th Anita Muller

2 Clubs: Mel Glennie, Yvette Negrine x 2

Friday 9 Hole Comp

**9 HOLE MEAT COMPS
ARE SUSPENDED
UNTIL FURTHER
NOTICE DUE TO
LOCKDOWN
RESTRICTIONS
(NO MEAT PRIZE
GIVINGS)**

5 Feb 2021 Golf Results

IPS – Front 9

4th Mark Vermeulen 19pts

3rd James Faber 20pts

2nd Brian Burman 22ts

1st Johan Nortje 23pts

19 Feb was Derby Day

12 Feb 2021 Golf Results

IPS - Front 9

4th Johan Nortje 20pts

3rd Paul Horn 20pts

2nd Ras Theron 20pts

1st Don Searle 20pts C-in

26 Feb 2021 Golf Results

IPS – Front 9

4th: Ruth Barclay 18pts

3rd: Peter Baxter 18pts

2nd: Robert Wigget 19pts

1st Andre Smit 20pts



Derby Day Results

19 February 2021

Betterball Stableford

5th Mel Glennie & Hanjo Schnieder 43pts

4th Otto Pletzer & Mike Wienand 43pts

3rd Anne Riemer & Marti Jelliman 43pts

2nd Martin Brassey & Don Searle 44pts

1st Place Louis Heyns & Hennie Smit on 45pts



Hole in One Club

WHAT A SHOT!!

The 5th hole was tamed
by Debbie Gillespie,
congratulations on this
achievement....



Remember to
enter in the
golf shop OR
scan on the tee

R 20 to win R20 000
R 50 to win R 50 000
R 100 to win R 100 000



We Are Back Online.

**Hole 13 is now your lucky
number, remember to enter to
stand a chance of winning the
money.**



As of 1 March 2021, the world handicapping system has implemented a new COMPETITION HANDICAP (PH) for all competitions. Players will now have 3 “handicaps” :

1. Your handicap index (HI) – this is your ability as a golfer
2. Your course handicap (CI) – this is your handicap based on the course you choose to play
3. Your competition playing handicap (PH) – this is the % of your CI only used in competitions.

We will have a table inside the pro shop on every competition day displaying the format and the handicap conversion table for you to check your new PH on the day.

PLEASE NOTE**** You need to show your CI handicap as well as the PH competition handicap in (brackets) on the card. For example: white course would be a 13 (11)

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

Here are 5 of the most common mistakes I see from amateur golfers that could possibly change your life if you can avoid these:

1. NEVER UP NEVER IN – 90% of amateurs leave their putts short of the hole. Hitting it a bit more boldly can help hole out more putts
2. THE FAMOUS LEAN BACK SWING – So often I see the back foot pose, this really creates a bad ending. If golfers learn to get their body moving in the right direction, half the job is done.
3. I DON'T LIKE THAT CLUB – Already telling yourself you can't hit a club results in exactly that!
4. 90/10 – I see so many amateurs bombing drives on the range, 2 – 3 buckets and then hardly even hit a putt, the most important part of the game.
5. AIM SMALL MISS SMALL – You need to have a target in mind, the smallest one you can find. A fairway is big, aim at it and miss – you're in the bush. Aim at a twig and miss – you still hit the branch, the tree, the fairway then the bush.....smaller targets = more concentration.

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!!

A note from our Green Keeper:

Wesley Paine

Head Golf Course Superintendent



Rainfall:

Feb 2020:	36.5 mm
Feb 2021:	20.5 mm
Jan – Feb 2020:	101.5 mm
Jan – Feb 2021:	33.5 mm

If you look at the rainfall for the last two months, you will notice that we are down quite a bit compared to the same time last year. Normally with the low amount of rain the course would be taking a lot of strain. However, this year with less traffic and new pumps, the course is holding up really well.

We are also very fortunate that we have a sufficient amount of water. For those who don't know, we use effluent water that comes down from the sewage plant in town. They use chemicals to clean the water. Although this is not the best quality water to irrigate with, it is better than no water at all.

For those who have played golf lately, you would have noticed the greens being a bit slow and thatchy. This is a result from the high ammonia (basically fertilizer) in the water. So every time we irrigate, the greens are getting fertilized, and growing like crazy.

There are a few ways that we manage the thatch and slow greens. Firstly, we are doing a lot of verticutting. This basically thins out the grass and gets rid of dead organic material. We also try to manage the amount of water that we put down and only try to water the dry areas. At this time of the year we also cut back on fertilizing the greens.

I know that some of the golfers find it very frustrating that the greens aren't always consistent. Unfortunately, the weather plays a big role in how the greens will play for the day. As winter approaches and temperatures drop and we get more rain, the course will change again and the green speeds will become faster.

My main goal now is to get through summer with healthy greens so we can have even better greens for the rest of the year.

GOOSE VALLEY CLUB CHAMPS 2020

Saturday 17 & Sunday 18 April



- The draw will be released on Wednesday 14th
- Lunch and prize giving on Sunday after golf



MEN

HCAP index determines divisions

A Division (Gold Tees) +5.0 – 9.3
B Division (Gold Tees) 9.4 – 17.1
C Division (Blue Tees) 17.2+

LADIES (Red Tees)

A Division +1.0 – 17.3
B Division 17.4 – 24.5
C Division 24.6+

ENTRY FEE
R440

A & B Divisions
Medal

Includes greenfees for both days, comp
fee and lunch on Sunday after prize giving
Composite members pay R250

C Division
Stableford

Upcoming Events In March



Friday 19 March – DERBY DAY

12:00 shotgun start

Sunday 21 March

Closed Event

Course closed in the morning
First available times from 10:20

Wednesday 24 March

Sanlam Cancer Charity Event

R100pp comp fee donated to Cancer Research

Sunday 28 March

Monthly Mixed

Times between 10:00 & 11:30

Wednesday 31 March

Heritage Golf Day

R120 entry fee
Goodie bag included

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