



October - Monthly News Letter

From the desk of the Golf Operations Manager

Dear Member

Get ready to swing into November with a fresh perspective. As we highlight key happenings on the course, spotlight top players, and offer expert advice to elevate your game. Let's make this November one to remember—on and off the fairways!

Members Golf Day

We are excited to invite you to our 3rd Mossel Bay Golf Club Golf Day as well as the last one for the year! The members golf day will be on the **30th November 2024**. Join us for a day filled with great golf, delicious meals, live entertainment and great prizes.

MOSSEL BAY
MEMBERS
GOLF DAY

R200 COMPETITION FEE
NO GREEN FEE

AM FIELD 07:30 - 2 TEE
PM FIELD 11:30 - 2 TEE

FORMAT: BETTER BALL STABLEFORD

AM PRIZEGIVING 14:00 - COMPULSORY
PM PRIZEGIVING 18:00 - COMPULSORY

INCLUDES MEAL & LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

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SATURDAY | 30 NOV 2024



Winter knockouts

The time has come to crown our winter knockout champions. Congratulations to our champions who have pulled through to the final round and that have managed take the victory.

Doubles – Final – Champions

Nic Marais/ Marki Scarione vs Chris Barnard/ Gert Pieterse

Champions: Chris Barnard/ Gert Pieterse

Singles – Final – Champion

Joelie Erasmus vs Gert Pieterse

Champion: Gert Pieterse

Upcoming Event

NOVEMBER			
1	LAERSKOOL PARK	MICHAL REHR	11h30 - 2T
10	NOMADS	N NIEMAND 0834531963	2 TEE @ 8:00 (120)
11	GRYSBOKKE RYDER CUP	KLAAS KOTZE	
15	ARBEIDSBEDIENING	JOHAN NEL - 084 402 4059	
17	JNR OPE - SUID KAAP	HEINRICH - 079 491 0631	
24	GLORIA CUP	MARIE SMITH	
29	SUIDERKRUIS SECURITY	GIDEON MAREE - 082 047 2273	
DECEMBER			
6	VAATJIE	CHRIS MARAIS 0828965649	
8	CHRISTMAS MIXED	GLORIA - LADIES	
27	GOLF FOR GOODS	MICHAL REHR	2 TEE
30	RUSTENBURG GOLF DAY	ANDRE VAN WYK	2 TEE - 11:00



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JOKER JACKPOT

The Joker draw happens every Wednesday after prize giving. Come and enjoy the evening at Mossel Bay Golf Club. You might just be the next lucky winner! The cost per ticket is R10 and you can buy as many as you want to better your chance. Find the Joker and win the jackpot.

The current Jackpot is R6317.

**FIND THE
JOKER**

**BUY YOUR TICKET AND
STAND A CHANCE TO
WIN
THE JACKPOT!
JOKER DRAW IS EVERY
WEDNESDAY AT 18:00
JACKPOT PRIZE R6317**

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Bar Promotions

Come and have a ice cold beer at Mossel Bay Golf Club and stand a chance to win yourself a Taylormade Stand bag. How to enter. By 2 x Castle Double Malt Beer and get one entry. You can drink as many as you would like.

NEW
TRY IT NOW

DOUBLE MALT
EXTRA SMOOTH

WIN A LIMITED EDITION GOLF BAG

 **BUY**
2 x CASTLE DOUBLE MALT
330ml NRBs TO SHARE

 **ENTER**
FILL IN YOUR DETAILS
ON THE ENTRY CARD AND
PLACE IN THE ENTRY BOX



18⁺ SABSHARP

WHILE STOCKS LAST. Ts & Cs APPLY.



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OR

If you rather feel like having a nice Irish Whiskey and stand a chance to win a Srixon stand bag, treat yourself with a Paddy Whiskey.

Triple Distilled

PADDY

IRISH WHISKEY

STAND A CHANCE TO

WIN

A SRIXON PREMIUM GOLF BAG

**AWARD-WINNING
IRISH WHISKEY**



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Mossel Bay Ladies

Congratulation to our Mossel Bay Ladies! Our ladies played against Fancourt in the silver league final. They defeated the Fancourt ladies and crowned themselves to be the silver league champions. We are very proud of you!



Golf Operations

Dear Member

Summer is upon us; the golf course is in pristine condition and we are all looking forward to a bumper holiday season. Lizette is currently busy processing member bookings for the December/January period. Please get in touch with her via email to secure your bookings.

Management and Board have decided to implement a new system on Wednesdays to accommodate our valued sponsors. Currently only 25% of prize winners attend prize giving. Sponsor representatives take time out to make themselves available to present the prizes supplied by them and get some marketing mileage from their efforts.

Poor attendance is placing our valued Wednesday Sponsorships in jeopardy. To remedy this



a morning and afternoon field prizegiving will take place on all Wednesdays. Morning golfers (those who tee off from 7am to 10:00am) will be included in the am field and will have prizegiving at 2:30pm. The afternoon field will have prize giving at 6pm. Golfers not in attendance at prize giving will forfeit their prize and it will go to the next person in rank order present at prize giving thus giving our Sponsor coverage and photographs with prize winners who are in attendance.

This arrangement will not apply on Saturdays. Please make every effort to support this initiative and our valued sponsors. Members unable to attend prize giving in **individual events** have the option of not entering the competition if they so choose. In other format events all golf partners must be in agreement to not enter the competition due to inability to attend prize giving.

Members will have noticed the construction of a new braai area adjoining the halfway house and 18th green.

This facility will greatly assist us in providing an effective grab & go halfway offering in season time and big golf days and will also prevent messy and disruptive braai fires on our grass area in front of the club house. The area also offers members the opportunity to host smaller functions in that area after golf hours which can easily be combined with the downstairs function area and bar.

Members wishing to use this facility may contact me directly for arrangement.

GRAEME VILJOEN
GENERAL MANAGER

Course Times/ After Hours

We have found that there are golfers that are using the golf course as a practice facility after hours. We ask each member for their cooperation and to help prevent this from happening so that we can protect our course. If anyone does see someone on the course after hours, please report it so that we can deal with the matter. Thank you.

Driving – Summer times

Last bucket will be sold at **16:30**. (Please **Note** that a maximum of 2 **bucket can be purchased per person** between **16:00** and **16:30**)



- Mondays 9:00 – 17:00
- Tuesdays 7:00 – 17:00
- Wednesdays 7:00 – 17:00
- Thursday 7:00 – 17:00
- Friday 7:00 – 14:00. The range will be close from 14:00 for the Youth Clinic.
- Saturday 7:00 – 17:00
- Sunday 7:00 – 17:00

Golf Course

Maintenance

Please note that Verti-draining will be done on the 24th and the 25th of November, greens and tee boxes.

Weather for the last 3 months Aug- Oct

MONTH	Total Rain per Month	Temperature
August	12.2	13.7
September	58.8	14.8
October	34.8	17.1
Average for the 3 last 3 months	35.27	15.2

With hard work and great amount of rain, we can see the result in the condition of the course. A huge shoutout to Gavin and his team, the course is in a great condition. Well done!



Hole 17.



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HOLE 14.



HOLE 3



Coaching and Youth Golf Program

Start Playing Golf Better Than You Imagined with Baker Golf.

Putting It All Together.

To improve your mental, physical, and technical game as a whole, you need a plan that fits your needs. Here's a clear approach to help you integrate everything:

- 1. Recognise the Differences:** Understand that playing golf is different from practising. You might feel more nervous or tense on the course, which is completely normal. Accept these feelings instead of fighting them. By acknowledging this, you can relax and perform your skills better without pressure affecting your swings.
- 2. Improve Your Practice:** Take a close look at how you practice. Are your practice sessions too easy, similar to a relaxed round of golf? Begin to create challenges during practice. Make your sessions tougher by simulating the pressure of competition so you can build the mental strength needed to perform well under stress.
- 3. Link Mental and Physical Practice:** Use mental training techniques along with your physical practice. You can visualise successful shots before taking them or use positive self-talk to stay focused under pressure. Deep breathing can help you manage anxiety, keeping you calm and confident during your game.
- 4. Welcome Discomfort:** Try to include some discomfort in your practice. Practice difficult shots or focus on your short game in various conditions. Set high, realistic goals. Creating pressure during practice helps you get used to these feelings during actual games, making competition feel more familiar.
- 5. Enjoy the Game:** Remember, golf is meant to be fun. Love the challenges instead of just seeing them as obstacles. A mindset of enjoyment and curiosity will boost your performance and reduce anxiety.

Key Thoughts

- Accept that competition feels different from practice.
- Challenge yourself to make practice feel more competitive.
- Acknowledge your feelings without resisting them.
- Letting go of resistance leads to more freedom, less tension, and better performance.

By keeping these points in mind, you can create a plan that brings all areas of your game together. This way, you won't let any one aspect hold you back.

If you need assistance with improvement in any area, or all areas of your golf game contact Owen on 082 218 4563 or owen@bakergolf.co.za and soon you'll start playing golf better than you imagined.



Congratulations to our very own Youth Program Elite member, Sam Gouws. Sam shot an impressive level par 72 for a T3 finish in the Simola Open on the 27th October in testing conditions. The Mossel Bay GC Youth Program is truly up and running and is gaining momentum. The number of attendants has increased to 40 golfers. This month will see coaches Owen and Schalk introducing random Skills Tests with the Intermediates and Elites this week in preparation for 2025 and competition play. Rules and etiquette classes will be introduced as well.

Handicap News

Understanding Exceptional Score Reductions and Your Handicap Index

Ever had a round where everything seemed to go right? When a player posts an exceptionally low score, the World Handicap System™ (WHS™) applies adjustments to ensure the Handicap Index remains a true reflection of skill. Here's how Rule 5.9 works:

Number of strokes the <i>Score Differential</i> is lower than a player's <i>Handicap Index</i> in effect when the round was played	<i>Exceptional score reduction</i>
7.0 - 9.9	-1.0
10.0 or more	-2.0

When an exceptional score (significantly lower than your current Handicap Index) is posted, the WHS makes an automatic adjustment by reducing your Handicap Index according to an adjustment table. This reduction applies to your last 20 scores, ensuring the exceptional score's influence is felt in your Handicap Index, while naturally tapering off as new scores are added.

Here are a few key details:

- Cumulative Adjustments: If you continue to submit exceptional scores, the reductions will build cumulatively.



- Fewer than 20 Scores: For golfers with fewer than 20 rounds in their record, the reduction applies to all recorded scores, including the exceptional one.

With these updates, the WHS ensures that your Handicap Index remains a fair reflection of your demonstrated skill level, providing you with a handicap that accurately represents your current performance.

Golf Rule of the month

14.1 Marking, Lifting and Cleaning Ball

This Rule applies to the deliberate “lifting” of a player’s ball at rest. This may be done in any way, which includes picking up the ball by hand, rotating it or otherwise deliberately causing it to *move* from its spot.

a. Spot of Ball to Be Lifted and Replaced Must Be Marked

Before lifting a ball under a Rule requiring the ball to be *replaced* on its original spot, the player must *mark* the spot which means to:

- Place a *ball-marker* right behind or right next to the ball, or
- Hold a club on the ground right behind or right next to the ball.

If the spot is *marked* with a *ball-marker*, after *replacing* the ball the player must remove the *ball-marker* before making a *stroke*.

If the player lifts the ball without *marking* its spot, *marks* its spot in a wrong way or makes a *stroke* with a *ball-marker* left in place, the player gets **one penalty stroke**.

When a ball is lifted to take relief under a Rule, the player is not required to *mark* the spot before lifting the ball.



November Fixtures




FIXTURES NOVEMBER 2024

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1	2	3
				OPEN 7:30 MOSSELS 8:02 LAERSKOOL PARK 2 TEE @ 11:30	OPEN 7:30 BETTER BALL STABLEFORD	OPEN 8:00 SOCIAL GROUPS 8:00 - 9:28
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
OPEN 11:00 GRYSBOKKE 11:08 SOCIAL	OPEN 7:30 MOSSELS 8:02 SOCIAL	OPEN 7:30 BOUNTY INDIVIDUAL STABLEFORD	OPEN 7:30 LADIES 9:06 SOCIAL	OPEN 7:30 MOSSELS 8:02 SOCIAL	OPEN 7:30 4 BALL ALLIANCE 2 SCORES	OPEN 8:00 NOMADS 2 TEE @ 8:00 SOCIAL @12:00
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
OPEN 8:00 GRYSBOKKE RYDER CUP 8:00 SOCIAL	OPEN 7:30 MOSSELS 8:02 SOCIAL	OPEN 7:30 BETTER BALL STABLEFORD	OPEN 7:30 LADIES 9:06 SOCIAL	OPEN 7:30 MOSSELS 8:02 ARBEIDSBEDIENING 2 TEE @ 11:30	OPEN 7:30 BETTER BALL MEDAL	OPEN 7:30 MB JNR OPEN 2 TEE @ 7:30 SOCIAL @12:02
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
OPEN 11:00 GRYSBOKKE 11:08 MOSSPIN	OPEN 7:30 MOSSELS 8:02 SOCIAL	OPEN 7:30 DENZIL KLEU INDIVIDUAL STABLEFORD	OPEN 7:30 LADIES 9:06 OLD MUTUAL GROUP 10:50- 12:42 SOCIAL	OPEN 7:30 MOSSELS 8:02 SOCIAL FANTASTIC FRIDAY	OPEN 7:30 4 BALL ALLIANCE PAR 3 X 3 SCORES	OPEN 8:00 SOCIAL GLORIA CUP 08:08 - 9:12
25	26	27	28	29	30	
OPEN 11:00 GRYSBOKKE 11:08 SOCIAL	OPEN 7:30 MOSSELS 8:02 SOCIAL	OPEN 7:30 SAKEMANNE COMBINED STABLEFORD	OPEN 7:30 LADIES 9:06 SOCIAL	OPEN 7:30 MOSSELS 7:54 SUIDERKRUIS 2 TEE @ 11:30	OPEN 7:30 MEMBERS GD 2 TEE @ 7:30 2 TEE @ 11:30	
SOCIAL			PUB.HOLIDAY			
MOSELKRAKERS			CLUB			
GROUP BOOKING			LADIES DAY			
EVENTS/ GOLF DAY	ATTENDANCE PRIZE GIVING					

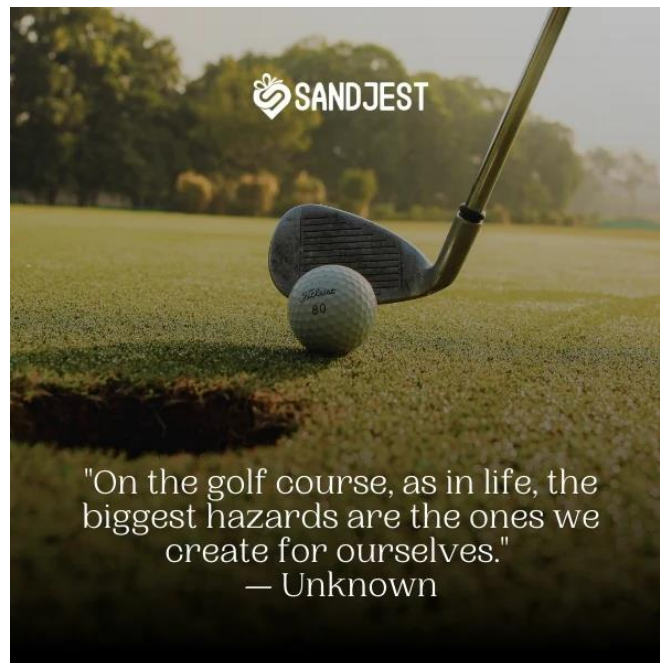


News and Updates

For any news and updates please Follow the Mossel Bay Golf Club  channel on WhatsApp: <https://whatsapp.com/channel/0029Va9XZxTC6ZvZQWILhG1X>

All the latest news and results will be posted on the channel.

Golf Quote of the month



Happy Golfing!



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