



## **"My Shot" (Prince's Grant Newsletter)**

**January 2009**

Dear Homeowner

### **GOLF COURSE RANKING**



Great news for Prince's Grant is that the Golf Digest, in their 2009 ranking of the "100 Greatest Golf Courses in South Africa", has placed Prince's Grant at **no. 17** in the country. As mentioned previously in "my shot", the Digest ranking is, due to its international character as well as the size of its panel of judges, considered as the only rating system worth watching. Even more gratifying is that Prince's Grant is rated as the **13<sup>th</sup> best conditioned golf course in South Africa**. This accolade, which places us as the best conditioned golf course in KwaZulu-Natal, is a fantastic

acknowledgement for the work Garth and his team are doing on our golf course.

Anyone who can get hold of a copy of the February 2009 Golf Digest, is encouraged to do so as it makes for some very interesting reading, including the fact that the golf experience at Prince's Grant is considered to be **"the best value for money in South Africa"**.

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## **THE LODGE**

I am pleased to report that the Lodge has done very well over the December period, this despite a very depressed holiday season for South Africa's coastal region. We are now fully within the



“refurbishment” process and a variety of projects that could not have taken place during the busy December period are currently under way. In this regard we apologise for any inconvenience that homeowners and their guests may suffer during the next couple of months. We anticipate most of the work to be completed by the end of March 2009. It was a conscious decision to undertake the refurbishment work whilst the Lodge remains open for business despite the inconvenience such work may cause for those visiting during this time.

Some feedback on the work already undertaken at the Lodge as well as that planned, are as follows:

Appointment of staff and management	Complete
Transfer of property into the name of PGHOA	Complete
Introducing financial accounting system for homeowners who elected to pay via a 10 year bond	Complete
New computerised accommodation reservation system installed	Complete
New computerised Food and Beverage management system installed	Complete
New furniture for the Restaurant and Bar area	Complete
Upgrading of the “Umdoni suites”	80% complete
Rehabilitation of practice putting area and area in front of the Lodge	Complete
Construction of new 250m <sup>2</sup> enclosed store area for 35 new golf carts	Complete
Refurbishment of kitchen and kitchen equipment	30% Complete
Upgrading of patio furniture	Complete
Upgrading of bar area	75% Complete
DSTV system in the rooms	Complete
New uniforms for lodge staff	Complete
Refurbishment of Ladies change rooms	90% Complete
Refurbishment of men's change rooms	10% Complete
Upgrading of Half way house	20% Complete
New walk ways and stairs	30% Complete
Refurbishment of state room	To be done
Painting of the Lodge	To be done
New carpets in various areas	50% Complete
Refurbishment of individual Lodge rooms, including air-conditioning	To be done
Refurbishment of reception desk	To be done

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Although a lot has been achieved since we've taken over the Lodge on 01 November 2008, there is still some work left which includes a large part of the "messy" work. The Board accepts that it will be impossible to satisfy the expectations of all homeowners, and for that reason the process employed to undertake this work, is to take advice from people with a proven track record in a particular field and who have an interest in our Estate and its long term sustainability. We are indeed fortunate to have homeowners who are experts in their respective fields be it electronics, construction, hotel management, interior decorating, etc, who give freely of their time to assist in this task.

In closing the Board of Directors are currently considering the 2009/2010 capital and operating budgets and will meet frequently during the next month to ensure we achieve a budget which remains cognisant of the value of homeowners' investment as well as the current difficult global economic times we find ourselves in.

Hope to see everyone at Prince's Grant soon and please visit our website at [www.princesgrant.co.za](http://www.princesgrant.co.za) for more news.

Regards  
Chris

### LEON MOCKE

*It is with a sense of great sadness and profound loss that Prince's Grant had to bid farewell to Leon Mocke who passed away on Tuesday, 10 February 2009.*



*Leon, together with Elize, Leonie and Johann moved to the farm Riverside, just outside Stanger in 1971 and has been stalwarts of this community for almost 40 years. In 1998, they became permanent residents at Prince's Grant.*

*Elize, Leonie, Chanelle and Johann wish to thank all the Prince's Grant homeowners and staff who so generously supported them during this difficult time. For all the messages, flowers, assistance and every other contribution they are extremely grateful.*

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