

Captain Zee's Newsletter No. 38 4th July

It's been an exceptional two weeks break from Prince's Grant enjoying the most outstanding weather the Cape can offer this time of the year. With the exception of two windswept days with gusts up to 32 knots (on the course at Pearl Valley) the weather was perfect.....very different it would seem from the incessant rain and snow that hit KZN over the same period. Needless to say we are back and the weather has improved.

I understand that much has happened on the course with regional ladies teams gracing our fairways recently and from what I've heard they all enjoyed the course.

I'm also advised that our Prince's Grant North Coast League team took a beating at an outing played at Darnall Golf Club where we only scored 2 points out of a possible 12. Disaster is not the word!

Our 'A' team playing in the KZN Central league 'B section' ended 4th out of 8 teams for the year. The results are: played 7, won 3, halved 1 and lost 3. Well done to all concerned and especially to Frans for managing the team. Sadly no promotion but then no relegation either!

Congratulations to Christiaan van der Merwe for being selected to represent KwaZulu-Natal at the IPT to be played in Bloemfontein during September. Full details are:

KZN INTERPROVINCIAL TEAM 18 --23 September -- Bloemfontein GC

Congratulations to the following players selected to represent KwaZulu-Natal:

RYAN DE BEER -- Kloof CC (Captain)

JARED HARVEY -- Mt Edgecombe CC

MICHAEL HOLLICK - DCC

ELTON JAMES - DCC

GIDEON PIENAAR -- Vryheid GC

GAVIN SOLE -- Southbroom GC

CHRISTIAAN VAN DER MERWE -- Prince's Grant GC STEVEN VAN HEERDEN -- Selborne GC

Competition results are:

Saturday July 30, 2011 Monthly Mug

Members A-Division Individual Medal

1) Delwood van Bronkhorst 75 nett

2) Basil Moodley 77 nett

3) Barbara Rotteveel 79 nett

Members B-Division Individual Medal

1) Joy Gavin 73 nett

2) Mogie Moodley 73 nett

3) Dean van Niekerk 73 nett

Best Gross: Delwood van Bronkhorst 81

Visitors Individual Stableford

1) Lynette Smit 34 pts.

2) J.Smith 34 pts.

There were no competition results for Wednesday 27th July 2011 due to rain.

Upcoming events:

Sunday 7th August 2011: "Drive for the Cause Campaign" golf day. Members will pay R135-00 and visitors R240-00. Carts are an additional R240-00. Tee off times are available from 7:00-8:40 on both tees. Phone our pro-shop for further details.

Thursday 11th August; North coast Senior league. Prince's Grant GC Saturday 13th August: Hickory stick. Darnall GC Sunday 21st August: North Coast Open -- Umhlali CC Saturday 27th August:

Presidents Cup Sunday 28th August: Sanlam Cancer Regional final -- Prince's Grant and Selborne GC
Monday 29th August: Course closed for spring treatment

Enjoy your golf.
Zee

Whilst this report in the main, deals with the club champs the results of Wednesdays Meat competition is:

Wednesday June 29, 2011 Individual Stableford

- 1) Werner Abrolat 43 pts.
- 2) Juan Gorgas 40 pts.
- 3) Anette King 39 pts.

It's great to see some new names on the winners list!!

This past week and week-end was all about the Club Championships. The greens staff was actively involved in ensuring that the course was as good as it gets and everyone seemed to have a paint brush or weed trimmer in their hands sprucing up the greens and fairways.

There were 97 players in the field which included, for the first time a junior division, which was well received.

Those teeing off on Saturday morning at around 06h50 were greeted by possibly the lowest temperature experienced at Prince's Grant in many years. Although cloudless the cold front was well on its way and hit those players at the worst possible time. Needless to say the Captain was chastised for not allowing 'shooters' at the water tables to warm the hearts and souls. The 'chill' was experienced long into the day.

Sunday morning was a slight improvement and those teeing off early came well prepared with their own 'medication'.

The eighteenth finishing hole was once again surrounded by spectators cheering on their favourite and somewhat resembled some major tournaments but with a little more 'spiritual influence' from some who had been waiting for some time.

The results are as follows:

Club Championship: Saturday July 2, 2011 & Sunday July 3, 2011

Juniors:

Individual Stableford - 18 Holes

- 1) Tony Makris 37 pts.
- 2) Michael Makris 33 pts.
- 3) Robbie Starkey 23 pts.
- 4) Christopher Mimm 17 pts.

Seniors:

Individual Stableford -- 18 Holes

- 1) Werner Abrolat 33 pts.
- 2) Hans Hulmak 32 pts.
- 3) Roger Don Wauchope 29 pts.

Ladies C -- Division:

Individual Stableford -- 36 Holes

- 1) Joy Gavin 33 + 34 = 67 pts.
- 2) Magda Morrison 33 + 31. = 64 pts.

Best Stableford score Saturday: Wilma de Wet 35 pts.
Best Stableford score Sunday: Joy Gavin 34 pts.

Men C -- Division:

Individual Stableford -- 36 Holes

- 1) Chris de Wet 27 + 35 = 62 pts.
- 2) Fred Morrison 29 + 25 = 54 pts.

Best Stableford score Saturday: Johan Ellis 29 pts.
Best Stableford score Sunday: Chris de Wet 35 pts.

Ladies B -- Division:

Medal -- 36 Holes

- 1) Bronnie Gebers 87 + 94 = 181 Gross
- 2) Mogie Moodley 87 + 100 = 187 Gross

Best Nett Saturday: Mogie Moodley 71 Nett Best Nett Sunday: Bronwyn Gebers 79 Nett
Noelle Taylor 81 Nett
2011 Ladies Club Champion: Bronwyn Gebers 181 Gross

Men B -- Division:

Medal -- 36 Holes

- 1) Harry Arangies 83 + 84 = 177 Gross
- 2) Andy Dahl 92 + 89 = 181 Gross

Best Nett Saturday: Brian Kelley 70 Nett Best Nett Sunday: Seamus King 73 Nett

Men A -- Division:

- 1) Christiaan van der Merwe 73 + 77 = 150 Gross
- 2) Mark van Niekerk 76 + 77 = 153 Gross

Best Overall Nett -- Men: Mark van Niekerk 149 Nett Best Overall Nett -- Ladies: Bronwyn Gebers 151 Nett
2011 Club Champion: Christiaan van der Merwe 150 Gross

Congratulations to all that participated and making this another successful tournament.

Thanks to Kim, Frans Christopher and Leon and all in the Pro Shop for their effort in making this event possible ... believe me, I know how busy they have been these past few weeks.
Thanks also to the starters, caddies, ball spotters and all associated with making this tournament run smoothly.

On a sad note the members bid farewell to Alistair Forbes who decided, that after 15 years of service as either Golf Captain or Club President, it was time to tender his resignation.
No amount of pleading has made any difference he simply believes that it's the right thing to do.... a time for change and a new character to take over this mantle.
We are assured however that we will still have Alistair and Marilyn gracing our fairways for many years to come.

Cheers.
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