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THE GOOD LIFE

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Members and Guests

Please remember that the Covid-19 pandemic is not over.
The virus is still around and it is as dangerous as before.

Please wear your mask to the extent possible.

Please maintain social distancing.

Please protect yourself and others from infection at all times.

Please be sensible.

Dear Member,

The Club

Schalk & Valda Produce the Old Magic in the Senior Club Champs

Written by Randpark Member, Grant Winter

Schalk Naude is one of those rare, talented individuals, who has reached the top in more than one sporting code.

In the 1980s decade, he shone brilliantly at flyhalf for first Western Province, followed by the Blue Bulls and then Transvaal. And after hanging up his rugby boots, Schalk took to golf in a big way and now, aged 63, the sweet-swinging has represented Central Gauteng at Senior inter-provincial level for the past 11 years in a row.

And over the weekend, he won our Club's Senior Championships for the over 50s for the fifth time, after a pair of 73s – the first on Bushwillow on Saturday and then, on Sunday, another one-over-par return on Firethorn, as he sealed victory by a runaway six-shot margin.

"I played the first nine on Bushwillow in four-under, and thought maybe I was going to equal or beat my age for the first time," he says with a chuckle. "But this game is a great leveller, and I three-putted four times on the inward loop! So that was 32-41. A terrible finish! Overall, though, I was really happy with my golf. Two years back, I'd won the Senior Champs four times in a row. Then my game went a bit south, and I didn't know whether I'd get back to form. So, to win again was pretty satisfying and proof that at 63 I'm not over the hill just yet."

Schalk's win comes just three weeks after his son Stefan, also a Randpark member, won the prestige Nomads North and South Junior Championships at Pecanwood on six-under-par 210 for 54 holes. One talented family don't you think!

Back to our Senior Champs, and there were a bunch of prizes for the over 100 contestants, with – on the men's side – Scratch golfers, Rouaan Bredenkamp and Trevor Labuschagne next best on gross on 152, followed by four-handicap Shane Walker one shot further back. These three players are all aged 55, and Shane has been a Randpark member ever since he was nine years old.

Rouaan's son Johan is, like Stefan, one of Central Gauteng's young stars and plays off a plus-5 handicap, while Trevor represented Free State in his younger days. *"I played against guys like Ernie Els and Retief Goosen because they were in my era as amateurs," he reveals. So, how did he fare against the Big Easy and the Goose? "Well, I didn't beat those two guys, but I did get the better of Rory Sabbatini, who played for KZN, in singles at Inter-Provincial. He was only 14 or 15 at the time, but that win is still a happy memory!"*

Walker's 153 aggregate was made up of a fine 73 on Bushwillow, followed by an 80 on Firethorn. *"I struggled a bit with the 80," he says, "and a double-bogey at the last from the middle of the fairway didn't help. But I hit some nice shots, and it was a great weekend, with the rest of us just*

bystanders as Schalk won going away."

So much for the men. In the Women's Championship, Valda Ford took top honours with 69 Stableford points off her handicap index of 7.2. Renate Sauter was next best with 66 points, followed by Alana Bakos on 65.

The surname Ford, of course, is a familiar one at Randpark. Valda's daughter, Cara, won the Women's Club Championships back in May for the second time. So, like Schalk and Rouaan, success at golf runs in the family. It's been a Ford mother-and-daughter grand 2021 double.

"Growing up with a golf-lover like me, Cara didn't have any option but to get into the game," says a smiling Valda. *"I've been playing forever. Well, not forever actually."* Before being bitten by the golf bug, Valda was a hot-shot runner, representing Western Province at half-marathon distance. Like Schalk, she's been good at two different sports.

Randpark CEO, Francois Swart, points out that in the four Club Championships held this year – the Main Club Champs, the Weekday Club Champs, the Seniors, and the Juniors and Graduates, entries totalled an impressive 701. That's enthusiasm for you. That's commitment. That's Randpark.

Senior Men Championship 2021 - 50 Yrs +

Gross Winners (50+ Division)

Pos.	Full name	Day 1	Day 2	Total
Trophy	Schalk Naude			
1st	Schalk Naude	73	73	146
2nd	Rouaan Bredenkamp	77	75	152
3rd	Shane Walker	73	80	153
4th	Arthur Heinrich	82	77	159
5th	Brett Herselman	82	78	160

Nett Winners (50+ Division)

Pos.	Full name	Day 1	Day 2	Total

1st	Anton Coetzee	72	74	146
2nd	Andreas Ritzlmayr	73	75	148
3rd	William Kekane	73	77	150

Stableford Winners (50+ Division)

Pos.	Full name	Day 1	Day 2	Total
1st	Trevor Labuschagne	37	39	76
2nd	Sebelo Ndabazandile	38	34	72
3rd	Uli Lubeck	39	33	72
4th	Wim Morland	36	34	70
5th	Evert Bean Snr	37	33	70

Gross Winners (60+ Division) – Super Seniors

Pos.	Full name	Day 1	Day 2	Total
Trophy	Schalk Naude	73	73	146
1st	Peter Langley	86	82	168
2nd	Pieter Faure	87	82	169

Ladies Winners – Stableford

Pos.	Full name	Day 1	Day 2	Total
1st	Valda Ford	36	33	69
2nd	Renate Sauter	32	34	66

Pos.	Full name	Day 1	Day 2	Total
Nett Day 1	Fred Kloppers	71		
Point Day 1	Herold Smit	38		
Nett day 2	Alana Bakos		71	
Point Day	Lawrence Beukes		43	



Schalk Naude & Jeanne de Power



Jeanne de Power & Valda Ford

Click below for Senior Club Champs Results:

[Gross](#)

[IPS](#)

[Nett](#)

[Ladies](#)

The winners for the year were as follow:

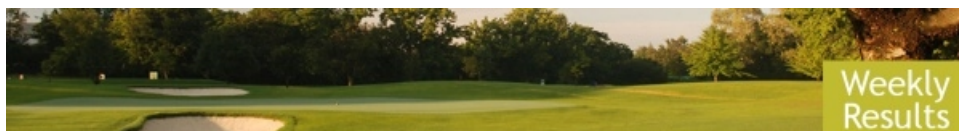
- Junior Champion – Grant Labuschagne
- Graduate Champion – Conner Mackenzie

- Weekday Champion – Stephanus Greeff
- Senior Champion – Schalk Naude
- Super Senior Champion – Schalk Naude
- Ladies Club Champion – Cara Ford
- Men's Club Champion – Darren Quirk

These events will not be possible without our sponsors, the fantastic team at Randpark, and of course, without the support from our members. We would like to thank each and every one for a fantastic year.

Congratulations to **Gareth Brummer** and **Renate Sauter** for their respective holes-in-one on Saturday and Sunday, on Firethorn's 5th!





Golf Days this Coming Week

This week is a very busy week on both courses; we will be hosting golf days from Tuesday to Friday. Some of our peer clubs are also in their peak season with golf days and member events. Some clubs will be assisting with reciprocity on certain days, so please ensure you call them up first to book a tee off time. The following clubs will be assisting this week:

- Dainfern Country Club
- Eagle Canyon
- Ruimsig Country Club

If any members need assistance, our ladies at the booking desk will gladly help.

Golf Department - Weekly Competition Schedule							
BUSHWILLOW COURSE							
COURSES & COMPETITION FORMAT MAY VARY							
Day	Date	Activity - AM	Cost	Comp Fee	Activity - PM	Cost	Comp Fee
Mon	13-Sep	Social	Std fees apply	N/A	Social	Std fees apply	N/A
Tue	14-Sep	Senior Comp	Std fees apply	R 25	Social	Std fees apply	N/A
		TBC					
Wed	15-Sep	Social	Std fees apply	N/A	GOLF DAY - FOUNTAINEBLEU		
Thu	16-Sep	GOLF DAY - HELPMEKAAR			GOLF DAY - HELPMEKAAR		
Fri	17-Sep	GOLF DAY - CAPTAINS GOLF DAY			GOLF DAY - CAPTAINS GOLF DAY		
Sat	18-Sep	Club Comp	Std fees apply	R 120	Club Comp	Std fees apply	R 120
		HERITAGE CHAMPIONSHIP - B/BALL			HERITAGE CHAMPIONSHIP - B/BALL		
Sun	19-Sep	Club Comp	Std fees apply	R 35	Social	Std fees apply	N/A
		I.P.S					

FIRETHORN COURSE							
Day	Date	Activity - AM	Cost	Comp Fee	Activity - PM	Cost	Comp Fee
Mon	13-Sep	Course Closed - GREENS WILL BE DUSTED			Course Closed - GREENS WILL BE DUSTED		
Tue	14-Sep	GOLF DAY - ELS FOR AUTISM			GOLF DAY - ELS FOR AUTISM		
Wed	15-Sep	LADIES COMP	Std fees apply		GOLF DAY - FOUNTAINEBLEU		
		TBC					
Thu	16-Sep	GOLF DAY - HELPMEKAAR			GOLF DAY - HELPMEKAAR		
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Sun	19-Sep	Club Comp	Std fees apply	R 35	Social	Std fees apply	N/A
		I.P.S					

Please note the **Captain's Golf Day and Dinner** is taking place on **Friday, the 17th of September**. It is a members' event throughout Baobab, Terrace Bar, and Jacaranda. There will be no A la Carte available, only the Captain's

Dinner menu at R290 per person. Dinner tickets can be purchased online [here](#).

**DUE TO POPULAR DEMAND, WE HAVE OPENED BUSHWILLOW AS
FIRETHORN IS FULLY BOOKED.**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS LIMITED AVAILABILITY ON
BUSHWILLOW!**

**Live Music by
Winston Smile**

**Odyssey Putting
Competition from
15h00**

**Beat the Club Pro :
Darren Quirk**

SATIB Hole-in-One

AROUND THE WORLD

YOUR PASSPORT TO PARTY

DEREK MCGOWAN

CAPTAIN'S GOLF DAY & DINNER

GOLF ITINERARY

Friday, 17 September – Firethorn / Bushwillow
Registration from 09h30 in Baobab Terrace
Format : Fourball Alliance 2 Scores to count

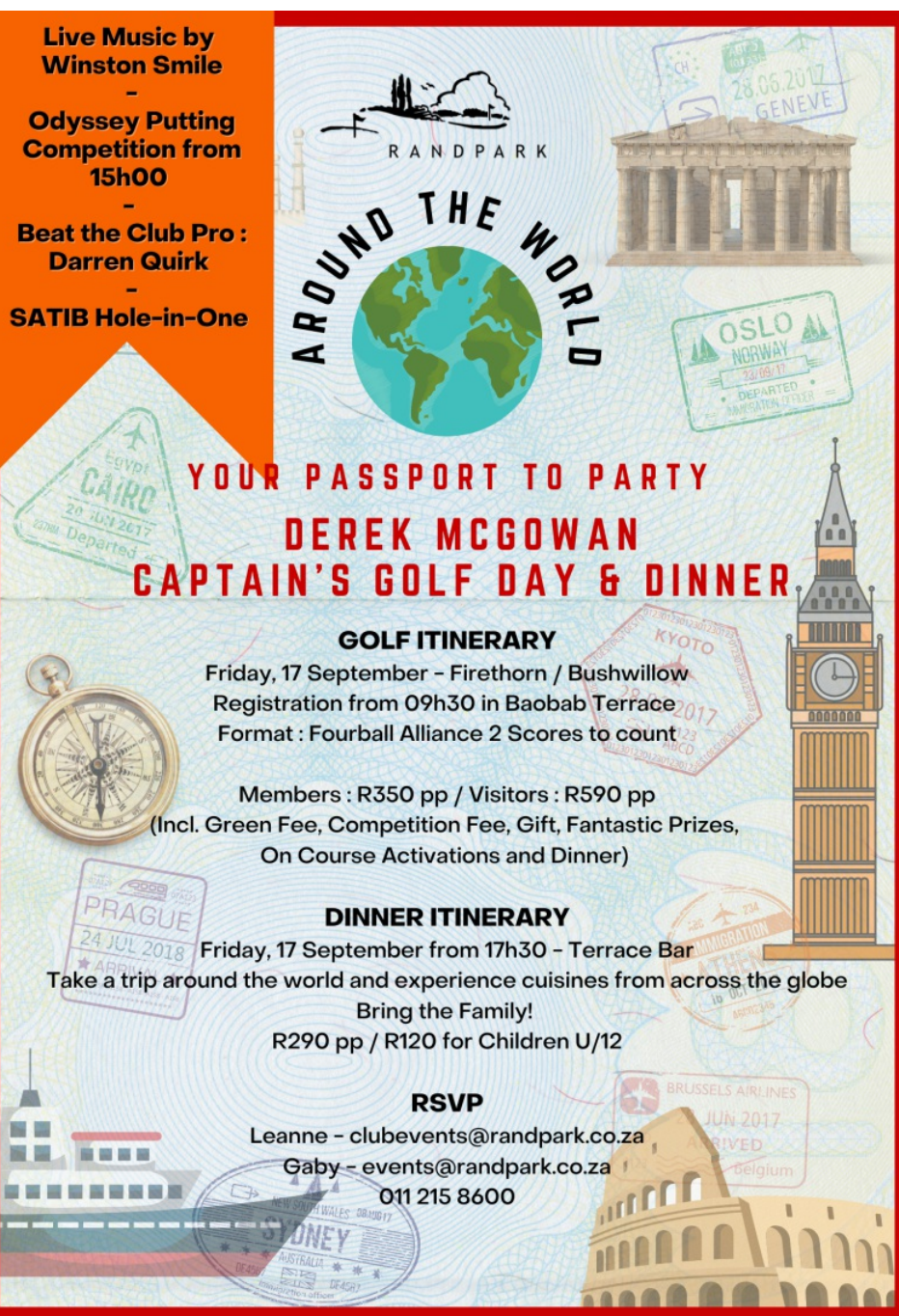
Members : R350 pp / Visitors : R590 pp
(Incl. Green Fee, Competition Fee, Gift, Fantastic Prizes,
On Course Activations and Dinner)

DINNER ITINERARY

Friday, 17 September from 17h30 – Terrace Bar
Take a trip around the world and experience cuisines from across the globe
Bring the Family!
R290 pp / R120 for Children U/12

RSVP

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Congratulations to **Russell Parker**, the winner of the Member Attendance Lucky Draw for the Saturday AM field. The PM field will carry over to next Saturday. Thanks to our Sponsors, Ubuntu Resource Management and CTL Group Holdings (Pty) Ltd.

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Let's grab another win for the **Best Club in Joburg!**

Follow these three easy steps:

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2. Scroll down to 'Golf course' and type "Randpark Golf Club"
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Have a great week

We look forward to seeing you at the Club

Stay Safe, Healthy & Happy!

The Randpark Team



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