



Santa says

Ecstasy, agony, luck, bad luck and tears... this weekend had it all

With Jeff and Liezl on their way to watch The Open at Royal Portrush, I have the pleasure of writing Jeff's newsletter this week. What an easy task after having a weekend like this one. We are blessed.



It all started on Saturday with our own **Dr Lynn Slogrove** winning her division of the **BMW International Cup Qualifier** at St Francis Bay Golf Club. Her 40 points was good enough to book her a spot at the Regional Final, and guess what, we are hosting it! Good luck Dr Lynn, we hope you go all the way.

The **Wimbledon Ladies Final** was contested between all time great Serena Williams and Simona Halep. Simona thumped Serena within 1 hour, 6-2 6-2. She outplayed Serena without effort to win her first Wimbledon title. Sunday afternoon was set for a great **Men's Final** with Novak Djokovic taking on the GOAT Roger Federer. This match was so close it is sad that there had to be a result. They both played beautiful tennis. Federer had two

championship points late in the game and Novak turned it around to clinch the title in the 5th set tiebreaker. They battled on court for 5 hours. The fitness level, mental strength and pure talent of both players was an absolute pleasure to watch.



Simultaneously, the **Cricket World Cup** was coming to an end. New Zealand taking on England at Lords. I kept my eye on the cricket score during the afternoon and it looked to me that New Zealand had it wrapped up. I had the TV on tennis and my phone was streaming cricket. The last over changed the whole game. The bad luck New Zealand received with the ball deflecting off Stokes' bat and yielding 6 runs was incredible. I saw my first super over in cricket. It was madness. I was stunned. The atmosphere before, during and after the game must have been incredible!

After so much excitement during the afternoon and early evening, I planned to have an early night. I didn't watch much golf during the week and decided to see what was going on at the **John Deere Classic**. **Dylan Frittelli** was in contention. I had to watch. Dylan shot a final round 64 to earn his first PGA Tour title and secured a spot at The Open Championship this week. He earned an invite to next year's Players Championship and next year's Masters. Talk about a life-changing moment! Keep a close eye on him this week. The way he played and the way he was in control of his emotions was impressive. When I went to sleep I felt like a changed person, grateful to have seen so much history in one day.



In other news the **British Grand Prix** was on. I missed it, I only have two eyes. Lewis Hamilton from England was the fastest man. His 6th British GP triumph. The race will stay at Silverstone for the next 5 years and everyone is very happy about that. Incredible weekend for British sport.

The Open Championship Golf Champs Pool

The Golf Champs pool is open. You can find the St Francis Links Pool at <https://www.golfchamps.net/>. Our pool code is **21575725**. Join in on the fun and make your picks.

Men's Invitational

The predicted weather for the Championship does not look nice. We currently have 92 players in the field, 20 more than last year. We really hope that Mother Nature will be kind to us, and if not we will keep you happy.

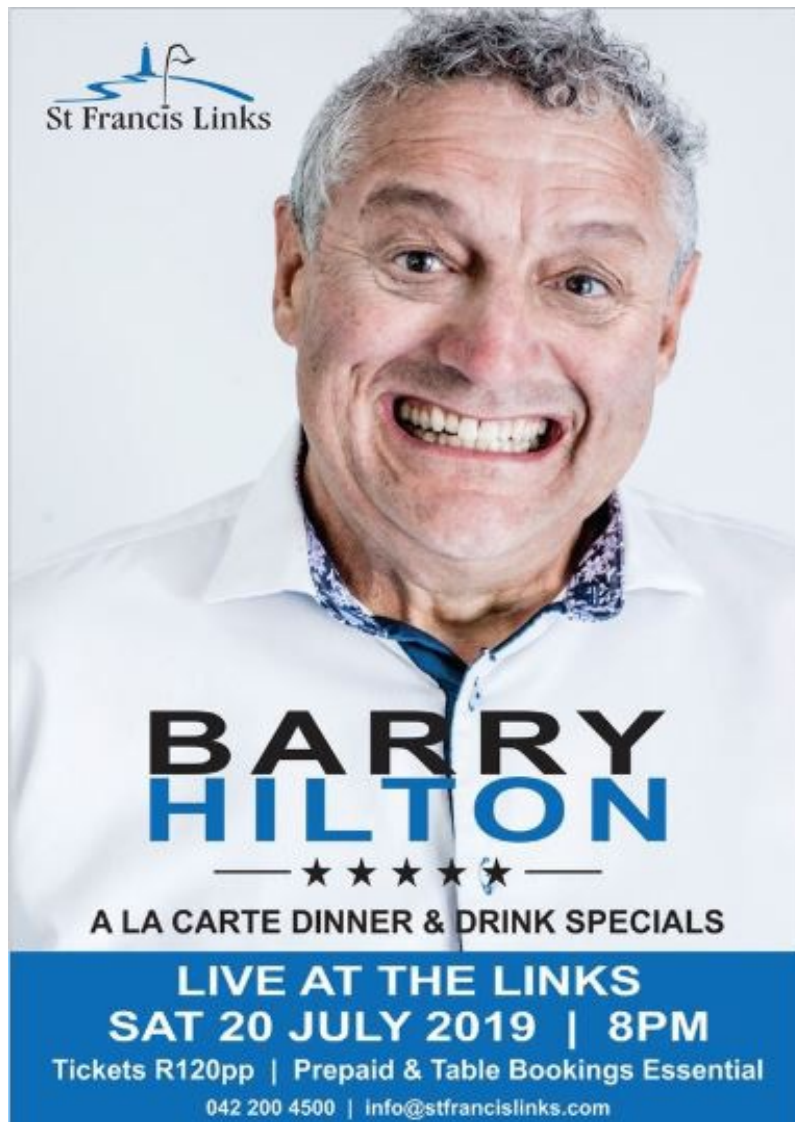
Barry Hilton is here on Saturday, he is always keen for a good laugh, if you haven't booked a table yet, phone us on **042 2004 500** to avoid disappointment.

Friday, Jul 19

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Saturday, Jul 20

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Book now >

Growing the Game

On the **27th of July** we will be hosting the first ever **Target36 junior tournament**. We invite all junior golfers and juniors that are getting into the game to join us. For more info about Target36 [follow the link](#).





St Francis Links
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Target36 Launch
St Francis Links

Saturday 27 July 2019
Tee Times from 13:30
Entry Fee: R50

Contact Thinus Keller to enter
your child.
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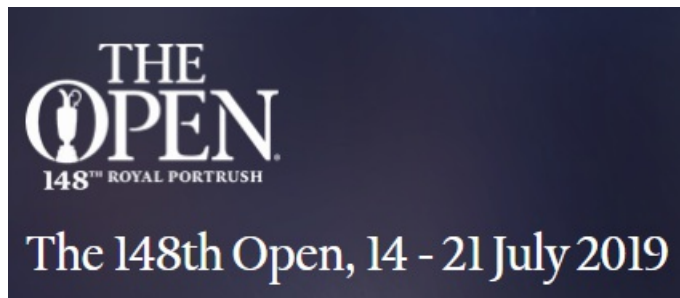
Enter now >

Thinus Keller

PGA Head Golf Professional

**Next week Jeff will be reporting back from the Open
Championship at Royal Portrush**

(back in Northern Ireland for the first time in 50 years)



Royal Portrush

Coming soon

Be sure to put these in the must-do column

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July at St Francis Links ...

WEEKLY WINTER SPECIALS!

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<p>Monday</p>  <p>GET 10% OFF ON ALL SIT DOWN MEALS AND DRINKS BETWEEN 5PM AND 7PM MEMBERS GET 20% BURGERS • PIZZA • STEAKS • SALADS</p> <p>SELECTIVE AGING THE FINE WINES 5 July 2 August Meat prizes & Happy Hour once a month on a Friday 9 Hole Golf Competition VISITORS WELCOME</p> <p>ST FRANCIS LINKS ANNUAL BREAK The Course and Clubhouse will be closed for our annual staff break, hollow-tining and maintenance from 19 August until 3 September 2019 (incl.)</p>	<p>Wednesday</p>  <p>તાપાનુ મોજેત કપડોતો R138 for 3 curries incl naan, sambals & poppadums</p> <p>3 South Indian Chicken Curry Lamb Korma Spinach and Chickpea Koftas</p> <p>10 Parsi Fried Lamb Koftas Panang Chicken Curry Onion Bhajis with coriander rista</p> <p>17 Chicken tikka masala Beef madras Bombay potatoes</p> <p>24 Beef Balti Punjabi Fish Curry Vegetable Pakora with Rista</p> <p>ALSO ON WEDNESDAYS GET 10% OFF ON A LA CARTE MEALS AND DRINKS</p>	<p>Friday</p>  <p>CALAMARI OR FISH WITH CHIPS and lemon & tartare sauce incl a glass of wine or local beer only R79 Lunch Only</p> <p>ASIAN NIGHT 31 July TAN BEEF NOODLE BOWL with pak choy, ginger and spring onion as well as PORK AND SHALIMP FRIED RICE and prawn crackers R138 per person</p> <p>OPEN WEDNESDAY GOLF DAY 10 July 14 Aug ITS R1000 IN MEAT PRIZES R275 g/fee + R35 comp fee</p>	<p>Saturday</p>  <p>BUY A SIGNATURE PIZZA AND GET A CLASSIC PIZZA FREE SIT DOWN ONLY BETWEEN 12PM AND 5PM NO TAKE AWAYS</p> <p>Saturday 20 July BARRY HILTON LIVE AT THE LINKS 8PM A LA CARTE DINNER & DRINK SPECIALS Tickets R120pp Prepaid & Table Bookings Essential</p>
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The St Francis Links Hotel by Mantis

Show units are under construction



The proposed **St Francis Links Hotel by Mantis** is being sold as a sectional title scheme. Now, three units are being built as show units to promote sales.

There will be one two-bedroom show unit and two one-bedroom show units to be completed for the season.

The Hotel will consist of 60 one and two-bedroom suites, modeled after the successful hotel development at Pearl Valley, where the 2nd phase was launched recently. The Clubhouse will be home to a reception manned for 24/7, Food and Beverage services, AquaSpa and of course, the home of the

Jack Nicklaus Signature Course!

Pam Golding Properties are handling the sales for the Hotel. Neil Fox is the lead person. Contact **Neil Fox** at neil.fox@pamgolding.co.za. Saria Blaauw is assisting and they are dividing their time at The Links.

Get ready to open your diaries!

9-Hole Competition

Once a month on a Friday

Next up: 02 August, 2019

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9 Hole Competition

Once a month on a Friday

5 April
3 May
14 June
5 July
2 August
6 September
11 October
1 November

End the week with a relaxing 9 holes
R1500 worth of meat prizes up of grabs
Happy hour after Golf in Jack's Bar
No competition fee | Visitors welcome (greenfees apply)

St Francis Links
Bookings essential | Shotgun start
042 200 4500 or golf@stfrancislinks.com

Ernie and Linda Müller and their team from **Selective Lighting** are making Fridays extra special at **St Francis Links**. Once a month, they host the **Selective Lighting/The Fireworks Friday Competition**. We shotgun start the players for 9-holes. Starting times are based on the season: 14h30 in the "Cool Season" and 15h30 in the summer months.

Be a part of growing the Club and join us for nine and some good times after golf! Please [enter](#) in advance for numbers.

There is no way to celebrate a victory on the course!

[Enter now >](#)

Open Wednesdays (2nd Wednesday)



This event is sponsored by **ITEC**, providing meat and added prizes. Invite your friends to enjoy SA's best, with special rates for golf, snacks after the game and great prizes.

And, hey, sometimes **Curry Night** follows. So, why not stay or take away!

Monday Roll-up!

Pitch up and play (9 holes or 18 Par-3 from 14h00). Let's add you to the Whatsapp group.

All-day Saturdays

Morning and afternoon fields: the afternoon field will be booked from 12 noon backward, with emphasis on "ready golf"

Monday Men's Book Club

17h00 in **Jack's Bar** (no reading required)

Ladies' Tea (and coffee)

Calling all ladies to come join is every **Tuesday at 10h00** on the Veranda.

[Click here](#) to view even more of our major upcoming events.

Golf results

13 July 2019

IPS

Saturday School

Men:

1st – Deon Marais 34 Points

2nd – Dave Hart 33 Points

3rd – Christo van Loggerenberg 31 Points

Ladies:

1st – Margot McGregor 33 Pts C/I

2nd – Sandra Marais 33 Pts C/O

4 Pointers:

Sandra Marais - 13th

Lynne McMillan - 17th

Mario Nel - 13th

Housekeeping

Men's Member/Guest - 20-21 July

ITEC Open Wednesday - 14 Aug

Centre of Gravity (CoG) matters

**To old & young, male & female, skilled &
inexperienced**

Whether you swing your driver particularly fast or very slow, the CoG location of your driver impacts significantly on your tee shot performance and playing experience.



Although the CoG location in different drivers might be a few mm apart (in depth and in height), it will have a significant impact on your launch angle and the spin rate on the golf ball. That really, really matters to your experience on the golf course.

40 METRES



Especially to those with slower swing speeds or those with very, very fast swing speeds the difference in tee shot improvement we can create, just by changing launch conditions, can be beyond 40 metres. That's not just a great feeling when you hit the ball further; that could mean an easier #8 iron second shot vs. a more difficult #5 iron. Who wouldn't want that?

Fix your millimetres and metres

Get every metre off the tee your potential deserves. Come and have a tee shot assessment and let's see how we can add 20, 30 and even more metres to your tee shots.

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Be like Ernie...

A black and white photograph of golfer Ernie Els. He is wearing a cap with 'XXIO' and 'SAP' logos, a light-colored polo shirt, and has his arms crossed, holding a golf club. The background is dark and out of focus.

XXIO

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OF CHOICE
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A better life for them

You didn't grow up like this

We used to hear about “computer game addiction” as a crisis with a few oddballs in far-away lands. There is now a “Fortnite Craze” – a computer game that has children locked in their bedroom. Addicted. And it's here and now. Not in far-away places.



[Watch now >](#)

Our whole society needs to react to these challenges. We need to find ways to create more fun and enjoyment in the real world. Golf is the greatest game ever invented. No requirement to be a jock. Boys and Girls. Very social. Outdoors. Healthy.



Let us add balance

Have your child enroll into one of our group sessions to learn to play golf, and we'll have them outdoors, interacting, learning new skills, and having a whole stack of fun they can take out onto the golf course. They won't stop playing computer games, but for a couple of hours each time we'll have them off the phone, out from in front of the screen, engaging in fun activity.

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