



Writing these newsletters always provides the opportunity for me to reflect and acknowledge the successes that we are achieving, with both our current crop of students and for the alumni who have passed through our various programs and are now forging their own successful careers. There are three things we can guarantee; our students all improve tremendously, they have a fantastic experience, and opportunities open up for them.

Enjoy the latest news below and please check out my thoughts further down on the mental edge of champions.

Michael Balderstone

BSI's Success Wall

BSI win Pirie Cup again, Linda Stamm takes individual title

Congratulations to Team BSI on winning the prestigious Pirie Cup last week. The tournament is a 4-player schools team golf event held at Pecanwood Golf Estate each year. Well done to team members **Bernard Meyer, Linda Stamm, Regan Gay** and **Titouan Tregouet**, who won with a team score of 13-under par over 2 rounds. It is the 3rd time in four years that BSI have won the team event.

Linda Stamm also won the individual title with scores of 71, 63 for a fantastic score of -10. This result capped a successful February for the Junior Academy student from Germany, which also included two Junior Academy Medal wins. Linda was named BSI Golf Player of the Month by our coaching staff as a result. Look out for a profile on Linda next week.



Tournament Results

Going for gold!

Congratulations to **Heinrich Prinsloo** on winning last week's **Premier Division Medal** with 70 on Royal Johannesburg & Kensington West Course. Well done also to **Cameron Heyes** (76) and **Armund Muller** (81) who achieved personal bests on the day.




Heinrich Prinsloo

Congratulations to **Linda Stamm** on winning last week's **Junior Academy Medal** with 67 on Royal Johannesburg & Kensington West Course. Well done also to **Tanya van Staden** (79) and **Dean Herbert** (75) who achieved personal bests on the day.



Linda Stamm

Daniel Nduva and **Linda Stamm** lead their respective **order of merits** after week 7.

Johannesburg		
		
1	Daniel Nduva	27750
2	Heinrich Prinsloo	24037
3	James Mott	11937
4	Reece Mckain	11762
5	Ryan Estment	9703

Junior Academy (Jhb)		
		
1	Linda Stamm	28400
2	Regan Gay	21550
3	Tawriq Abrahams	13925
4	Titouan Tregouet	13600
5	Matheo Douessy	13250

Alumni Spotlight

Stuart's story of success

Congratulations to PGA Diploma graduate **Stuart Smith** on his new position as Teaching Professional at Randpark Club. Stuart is a great example of what can be achieved through our programmes with hard work and dedication, as well as the opportunities that will open up.

Stuart joined our PGA Diploma in 2008 as one of our first intake. He was a 5 handicap from Botswana and struggled initially, averaging 83.38 in his first cycle. But, it's not how you start, it's how you grow from there. He improved well throughout each year, with his average dropping down to 73.87 in his graduation year.

After graduation he stayed on for a 4th year of full-time elite training in our Academy Programme and by the end of that year, his final cycle average was 68.33.

He turned professional the following year and spent seven years on the Sunshine Tour, a victory on a Big Easy Tour event being a highlight. With his qualification and network through BSI, he found work in the golf industry as a manager at The World of Golf, before finding this new position at Randpark.

We wish Stuart all the best in passing on what he's learned. If you're in that area and need a lesson, pop in and give him a try.



If you are looking to launch a career in golf, speak to us and we can help you get there!

[Get in touch >](#)

Performance Tip

Here are some thoughts and advice from BSI Founder **Michael**

Balderstone on the mental edge that champions have over their competition.



Do you have what it takes to be a champion? Contact me and we can help grow your mental edge.

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