



## Santa says

### Despite tougher economic times, we shined!

I always start the year by sharing some of the numbers. However, before we get to that, let's point out that there were more people on the Estate than ever. With more homes completed, Thinus and I, dropped off lemons on the 23rd and 24th by a large number!



## The Estate



- **512** sold properties ( $\pm$  94.8%)
- **167** completed homes ( $\pm$  32%)
- **170** occupied in the holiday with an **average of 8** for Christmas lunch at home (one home had 30!)
- **87** permanently occupied (53%)
- **27** homes completed during 2018/2019 financial year and **12** in the new financial year (Oct to Dec)
- **17** homes currently under construction
- **36** homes in planning or submission stage

## The Club



*Biking to massive points*



*Ring the bell, Yan*





*The F and B Team*

December started with our members; offering the morning tee times to them first, filling the afternoon with visitors. Most of our visitors played with the members, whilst others came with their families and friends! Our new e-bikes were in use nearly every day, and our pace of play, by not overcrowding the course, remained fairly good throughout the holiday period.

## Golf Played

- **3843** Rounds including **253** after 5 and countless member breakaways
- **2363** cart rentals including 61 e-bikes
- **517** sleeves of new balls
- **95** Callaway Truvis (soccer balls) mostly to Sieg!
- **5147** Used Balls sold
- **4600** lost and more than **3000** found by...

## Food and Beverage

- **101** sticky ribs, **297** Links platters, **348** Fish and chips, **871** burgers – beef and chicken, **885** pizzas
- **926** kiddie meals
- **1026** Ice creams, pancakes and shakes
- **3447** toasties and 1/2 way brekkies
- **8135** lunches
- **6800** bottles of beer on the wall, **851** Cocktails, **5712** spirits, **1616** bottles and glasses of wine
- **12443** minerals
- **52687** total items sold from the kitchen, halfway and bar

145 separate orders, representing more than 340 people in a 2-hour span, on the 29th, which also included Sunday lunch with The Bottomless Coffee Band. This information inspired me to come up with “Patience and Positivity” as our theme for 2020. We received hundreds of compliments, with only a few impatient members and negative criticisms...

## Events

- 1 great evening with Hutchie and Dale
- 4 Sold OUT events – 80’s Show, Magnificent 7, Bottomless Coffee Band, Radio Kalahari Orkes
- Maximum Christmas Lunch
- New Years Day – 87 golfers, 235 breakfasts, 332 lunches, 284 beers and ciders and 2002 total items sold between 9 and 16h30



*Charlie and Roger win The Member-Member*



*Hutchie and Dale*



*Bottomless Coffee Band*



*The Bay Club wins The Pam Golding Annual*





For more than 10 years  
we've been getting  
better and better.

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So here's to the next decade of  
maturation, improvement and  
excellence... because at the Links  
you know you can expect more.

*Maturing like good wine!*



*A St Francis Links tradition*



# Happy New Year from all at the Links

Visitors most welcome at the Club and Bard'au Spa! TEL 042 200 4500 | info@stfrancislinks.com

*Valentines Dinner*  
Dinner & Dance



**Save the Date**  
Fri 14 Feb | Live Music with  
*Joe van der Linden and Claire Vonn*  
Contact us for further info

TAKE NOTE: Our restaurant will be closed from 20 to 23 January 2020 for a well-deserved staff break. The bar will however be open for the best cappuccinos!

**Each Friday**



**CALAMARI OR FISH WITH CHIPS**  
and lemon & tartare sauce incl a glass of wine or local beer Lunch Only  
**only R85**  
**FROM 10 JANUARY**

**Saturdays**



**BUY A SIGNATURE PIZZA AND GET A CLASSIC PIZZA FREE**  
SIT DOWN ONLY | BETWEEN 12PM AND 5PM NO TAKE AWAYS | FROM 11 JAN

**THANK YOU**

Thank you to all our property owners, St Francis Bay residents, friends and visitors who supported us this holiday! A special thanks to our dedicated team of staff who work so hard! Please call on us for all your special events, birthdays, anniversaries, weddings and more! Here's to 2020! May it be safe, prosperous and happy!

**தான்மு நெஹ் இஹடோ**



**JANUARY 2020**

<b>TUE 7</b>	Moroccan Beef Curry Pork Vindaloo Cape Malay Veg Curry
<b>WED 15</b>	Beef Balti Indian Butter Chicken Bombay Potatoes
<b>WED 29</b>	Bombay Chicken Curry South African Lamb Curry Butternut & Lentil Bobotie

**R145 for 3 curries incl naan, sambals & poppadums**

**Wednesday 15 January**

**OPEN WEDNESDAY GOLF DAY**  
R1500 WORTH OF MEAT PRIZES UP FOR GRABS

**VISITORS MOST WELCOME**

R295 greenfee + R35 competition fee





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## New irons now?



You can hit a

# BETTER APPROACH

If you're passing your mid-fifties, then you might think that your best golf is behind you. But, in fact, you probably have the advantage of a smarter, cooler mind.



*Why not add to that wisdom, the belief that your best golf is ahead of you. Technology certainly makes it possible to believe you can hit better approach shots than ever before.*

Innovation in materials and engineering have allowed the designers of irons to construct heads that launch the ball higher from stronger lofts. Your #8 iron has a stronger loft than before (and therefore goes further) but launches as high (even higher) as previous #8 irons.



While you expect to be losing some distance with age, technology is now adding distance while retaining control.

### **Could you be getting better?**

Don't settle. Golf has so much more to offer each of you. Especially if you determine that you're going to play better golf in your immediate future. Iron technologies are changing the game. Would they help you? Come and chat to us.

**Contact us >**



# Act on your feelings

*How much do*  
**YOU WANT IT?**

*One act, two different feelings. The act is a 145-metre approach shot. Let's assume you're here courtesy of a drive that's found the middle of the fairway.*



With perfect contact, there is a visceral sense of joy at being at one with the game; that extends into satisfaction as the ball flies high and true; and then completes with a sense of accomplishment.



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But first, there's "craving". How much do you want that feeling of joy, satisfaction, and accomplishment? If you want it enough, you'll take action.

### **Fan the flame**

Without action, there is only acceptance. Make 2020 a year to deliver on your desires.

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