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## From the Founder's Desk

Giving back has been a part of my philosophy for as long as I've been coaching (26 years) and owned my own academy (16 years). I'm currently offering to mentor and coach three previously disadvantaged Sunshine Tour players for free for the rest of this season. One place is taken, two are still available. Interested players need to apply by 9th October to be considered.

I love this picture taken on Sunday with one of the youngest competitors in our BSI Junior Tour event at Pecanwood. Looking forward to this young man and many others who we will see growing into successful players in the future.



*MJ BALDERSTONE*

## BSI Junior Tour with Srixon

### Congrats to our Junior Champions!

With the resumption of tournament play, we were able to co-host some BSI Junior Tour events over the last couple of weekends.

Both events had great fields, in line with the recent resurgence in golf around the country. The BSI Junior Tour is a series of junior golf events co-hosted with golf unions in multiple provinces, with amazing prizes sponsored by **Srixon Golf SA**. The events carried Srixon and Cleveland prizes to a retail value of R12,000 for each event, so a big thank you to Srixon Golf SA for their continued support of the BSI Junior Tour.

The first event was held in conjunction with Central Gauteng Golf Union at Royal Johannesburg & Kensington GC on 27th September. **Jamie Lewis** was the overall winner of the event with a score of 72.

The second event was held at Pecanwood Golf Estate last Sunday, co-hosted by North West Golf Union. The winner was **Janko van der Merwe** with a score of 70, after a play-off with Divan Mostert.



*Jamie Lewis*



*Janko van der Merwe*

## Open Days

**Your dream career in golf starts here**

A quick reminder of our upcoming open days at the BSI Campus at Huddle Park:

**Saturday, 17th October** – Full-Time Junior Academy with Cambridge education (Grades 8 to 12)

**Saturday, 7th November** – PGA Diploma, Greenkeeping & Academy Programmes (Post-matric)

To join us on either of these days, meet the team and find out more about the programmes, please contact [info@bsisports.com](mailto:info@bsisports.com) to book. Limited

spaces available.

## BSI Tournament Results

### Heinrich Prinsloo made it to the winner's circle

Our College and Academy players were back in action last week with the first medal of cycle 4. Congratulations to **Heinrich Prinsloo** who came out on top with a great score of 69 on the East Course at Royal Johannesburg & Kensington GC.



## Alumni Profile

Hard work pays off, ask Karl



**Name:** Karl Lehmacher

**BSI Programme:** PGA Diploma (Class of 2015), Greenkeeping (Class of 2016)

**Current Position:** Full-Time Sunshine Tour Caddie

**Previous Position:** Big Easy Tour/IGT Tour Player

**Here's what Karl had to say about his experience at BSI:**

*"The best things about my BSI days were the company of so many good golfers and the competitiveness of the Friday medals. Also all the things I have learnt from Michael Balderstone and the experience gained.*

*BSI helped me prepare for the 'tour life'. The most important thing I learnt is that there is no substitute for good old fashioned hard work. You have everything you need to make it at the BSI facility but you need to utilize what you have in front of you and the opportunity you have been given. Give yourself the best chance to make it."*



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academy programmes. Limited spaces available for January 2021 enrolment.

## Performance Tip

### Improve Your Fairway Bunker Play

**Here are a few key tips to help you escape fairway bunkers more effectively:**

1. Take enough club to easily get over the lip before you think about distance.
2. Grip down the handle to encourage a clean strike.
3. Place the ball forward in your stance to promote a shallow angle.
4. Look at the top of the ball to promote a clean hit.
5. Swing within yourself with predominantly an 'arms-swing' to avoid your feet slipping.



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