



## From the Founder's Desk

As this is our last newsletter of the year, I'd like to take the opportunity to thank all our players, parents, staff and supporters for a fantastic year, despite all of the challenges. I'm very proud of how we all came together to complete our sporting and academic programmes, and to deliver with fantastic results. It's been a year of major learning and growth, and we're coming out stronger than ever for the experience. We'll start again from the first week in January. In the meantime, as promised, see below the major winners from our wonderful graduation and awards dinner. I wish you all a restful and healthy festive period.

*MJ BALDERSTONE*

## Graduation and Awards Dinner

### Celebrating our student's successes

On 4th December, we celebrated the academic and sporting successes of our student-athletes at our graduation and awards dinner. We graduated 19 PGA Diploma students, which was our 2nd largest group ever.

Congratulations to **MJ Dlamini, Daniel Nduva, Vincent Bouticourt, Graeme Limper, Matthew Higino, Franco Rabe, Marco Venter, Ryan Estment, Christiaan Robbertse, Hanro Haskins, Reynardt Olivier, Jose Da Mota, Eddie Jacobs, Sam Bengane, Yann Ranaivoson, Reece Mckain, Cameron Heyes and Muhammad Warraich**. Six of them have already gained employment in the golf industry, with more going through interviews and some continuing to pursue a professional playing career.



The leading academic students in each PGA Diploma year were **Kyle Ferreira** (1st year), **Michelle Steyn** (2nd year) and **Muhammad Warraich** (3rd year). Muhammad graduated with 10 distinctions. He has now headed back to Pakistan, where he has a bright future as the only PGA qualified professional in the country.



*Kyle Ferreira*



*Michelle Steyn*



*Muhammad Warraich*

In our high school Cambridge Study Centre, BSI Football player, **Muhle Simelane** from Eswatini claimed the award of academic student of the year. Fellow grade 12 student, **Tanya van Staden** earned the Kyle Parkes Award, which is voted by the staff for the student who most exhibits BSI's values, with a particular emphasis on positive energy.



*Muhle Simelane*



*Tanya van Staden*

Onto the golf performance side, **Dean Herbert** won the U16 Player of the Year after finishing 3rd on the Junior Order of Merit. **Michelle Steyn** won the Female Player of the Year, and 1st year PGA Diploma student, **Sean Paxton** was named Rookie of the Year after finishing 5th on the Premier Order of Merit. **Ryan Estment** was Most Improved Player in our Premier division, and **Bernard Meyer** was Most Improved in the Junior section.





*Dean Herbert*



*Michelle Steyn*



*Sean Paxton*



*Ryan Estment*



*Bernard Meyer*

The main winners of the year were **Regan Gay**, the 2020 BSI Junior Order of Merit Champion and **Daniel Nduva**, the 2020 BSI Premier Order of Merit Champion. Daniel also collected the award for Lowest Stroke Average with 71.76, and the Player of the Year Award for his outstanding achievements across all tournament play in 2020.

Both Regan and Daniel will receive a sponsorship from Srixon for winning their respective Order of Merits. The top three in each Order of Merit also receive sponsored clothing from Puma. Thank you to both companies for your amazing continued support of BSI.



*Regan Gay*



*Daniel Nduva*

We live-streamed the event for our international families who couldn't attend on the evening. You can view the main proceedings below.

**Welcome Speech:** [Click here](#) to watch.

**Kyle Parkes Award & College Graduation Ceremony:** [Click here](#) to watch.

**Study Centre Awards & Golf Performance Awards:** [Click here](#) to watch.

## 2021 Enrolment

### The first steps towards your dream career in golf

The BSI office closes later today (15th December) until the 4th January. We're still receiving applications and enquiries on a daily basis. Please feel free to submit applications in the meantime to be first in line for swift processing early in the new year. There are still limited spaces available on the following programmes:

**Junior Golf Academy** (grades 8-12)

**PGA Diploma** (post-matric)  
**Greenkeeping** (need grade 11)  
**Elite Academy** (post-matric)  
**U19 Football Academy** (grades 8-12)  
**U23 Football Academy** (post-matric)

You can visit our website [bsisports.com](https://bsisports.com) to view details of each programme and download an application form. We look forward to hearing from you.

## Performance Tip

### How to hit draws and fades

BSI Coach and former Sunshine Tour player, **Coenie Stoop** shows us a drill to practice draws and fades.



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