



Tournament Results

The best learning experience for Vuyisani

Well done to Junior Academy student, **Vuyisani Makama** on his fantastic 2nd place finish in the Gowrie Farm U15 Challenge. Having a chance to win down the stretch is what we work hard for and it will have been a great learning experience out there for the young man. Fellow Junior Academy students, **Grant Labuschagne** and **Eric Ncube** finished T11 and T26 respectively. We're so proud of you all and excited to develop your talents further.



Vuyisani Makama

Casandra has the winning mentality

Congratulations to our mental client, **Casandra Hall** on winning the Joburg Ladies Open last week with scores of 72, 72, 73 at Soweto Country Club.



Casandra Hall

Ryan is on a winning streak

Congratulations to academy player, **Ryan Estment** on winning the Club Championship at The River Club for the 3rd year in succession. Ryan also finished T10 in last week's Bushveld Tour event at Ebotse Links.



Ryan Estment

Player of the Month

Junior Player of the Month

(April)

Congratulations to **Vuyisani Makama**, who was voted as BSI Junior Academy Player for April. Vuyisani played in several Central Gauteng Race to River Club tournaments during the month, finishing T3 at Parkview, T24 at Royal Johannesburg & Kensington, and T4 at CMR. Vuyisani also qualified for the final event at The River Club, where he finished 11th.

Vuyisani's best performance came in the Nomads Gowrie Farm U15 Challenge the past week, where he finished 2nd after shooting a final round

70. The POTM award is voted for by the senior BSI Golf coaching team based on performance during internal and external tournaments throughout the month.



Vuyisani Makama

Premier Player of the Month *(April)*

Congratulations to Academy player, **Jordan van Niekerk** who has been voted as the BSI Premier Player of the Month for April. Jordan played in four Bushveld Tour tournaments throughout the month, finishing 20th at State Mines, 36th at Parkview CC, 13th at Benoni CC, and 28th at Ebotse Links.

Jordan was out of golf completely for nearly two years due to health reasons, and it is fantastic to see him competing again and getting back to form. The POTM award is voted for by the senior BSI Golf coaching team, based on performance during internal and external tournaments throughout the month.



Jordan van Niekerk

Alumni News

Growing a global career in golf

All the best to PGA Diploma graduate, **Phil Minkley** as he takes the next step in his career by taking the Head Professional position at Safaa Golf Club in Saudi Arabia. Since graduating, Phil has held positions at various golf facilities in Mauritius.



Phil Minkley

Performance Tip

The high pitch shot

Following on from last week's video on the chip and run shot, this week BSI Coach and PGA Master Professional, **Martin Briede** shows you how to play a high chip shot that lands softly.



Tell us about your improvement

Did you find this tip helpful? We would love to hear your feedback. Let us know in the link below.

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Not just Golf

Under 19 Football Player of the Month *(April)*

Reatile Motsusi

Sometimes we only discover what we are capable of when the circumstances demand that we be pushed way out of our comfort zone.

Reatile has shown this when asked to play in goals during the pre-season when the designated goalkeeper was unavailable. He showed up, stepped up, and wow - did he put together a fantastic performance. His performance even had BSI Coach and goalkeeping legend, Shuaib Walters in awe.

Reatile has continued to apply himself in training, whether as a goalkeeper or an outfield player. He managed to score on Debut for the U17s and this fills us with great excitement. We aim to help players build the characteristics to reach the highest level of football, and adaptability is a key trait in modern-day football. The Balderstone FC Division-2 goalkeeper is also a goal-scoring center-forward, his future is in his hands, or maybe his feet.



Under 23 Football Player of the Month (April)

Rodney Shivute

Attitude is often the difference between those who achieve greatness and those that don't. When Rodney arrives at training, he oozes a positive attitude. A difficult start to the season didn't deter him from applying himself 100% each day and also uplifting his teammates in the process.

A perennial hard worker, his effort and attitude have made him a difficult member to leave out of the Division-1 squad. His contribution as a technical team member can also not be understated. Whether as a player or in his role as a fitness intern, his positive influence is infectious, may it continue to spread and impact the lives of those around him.



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