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THE GOOD LIFE

On the Course | Off the Course



Members and Guests

Please remember that the Covid-19 pandemic is not over.

The virus is still around and it is as dangerous as before.

Please wear your mask to the extent possible.

Please maintain social distancing.

Please protect yourself and others from infection at all times.

Please be sensible.

Dear Member,

A Tribute from the Club

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of **Joe Swart** and **Karen Wheller**.

Joe was a member of Randpark Club for 66 years. His son, Nick, remembers accompanying his father as a young boy when Windsor Park Clubhouse was accessed by a dirt road. Golf and Randpark Club was a major part of Joe's life.

Karen and her Enbaya Prepaid Meters team joined Randpark Club a few months ago.

We extend our sincere condolences and sympathies to both families and friends.

The Club

The current demand for golf is something I find very interesting, especially because it is a worldwide trend, as a result of this pandemic. We have seen a demand for rounds the past few weeks, which I cannot explain, and the big question is whether this trend will continue once the new normal returns, or if we will once again see clubs struggle for rounds and membership, as we did before?

One article I read stated :*“To put Covid-19's effect on golf in context, the last time the game experienced a spike of this magnitude was when Tiger Woods won the Masters for the first time in 1997. Legions of first-time golfer's been purchasing equipment and flocking to courses inspired by Tiger mania and the number of rounds played ballooned by 63 million over the prior year”*. – **Forbes.com**

The National Golf Foundation reported that rounds in the US have grown by 33.6% year to date (being end of May 2021). Equipment sales increased by 58% year on year. It would be interesting to see how South African clubs compare against these numbers, as I don't think we will be far behind, having heard some stats from peer clubs and the retail business.

We will continue to make the necessary changes to manage this current challenge and we will also focus on taking every opportunity to grow the game of golf.

Happy golfing

Francois

We always encourage communication between our members and the Club. If you have any comments or questions, please don't hesitate to either contact our CEO, Francois Swart at ceo@randpark.co.za or our Club Captain, Derek McGowan at captainslog@randpark.co.za.



Join the WhatsApp Group

Receive Randpark news updates via WhatsApp in two easy steps:

1. Add Randpark as a contact on your phone: **082 052 4767**.
2. WhatsApp us your first and last name. If you ever want to stop receiving event news, simply send us a WhatsApp with the message "STOP".

Please note that this WhatsApp number is operated from a computer and, unfortunately, is unable to receive any phone calls. Please contact the Club on **011 215 8600** for assistance.

World Golf Awards

We are proud to have once again been nominated for **SA's Best Golf Course 2021 in the World Golf Awards!** World Golf Awards™ serves to celebrate and reward excellence in golf tourism, world-class courses and golf destinations. Please [click here](#) to vote for your Club.



THANK YOU to everybody who donated to our Winter Clothes Drive. We will be handing out the clothes at the beginning of August, so if you still have something lying around, please drop it off in the box outside the Terrace Bar.



CGGU/Randpark Open Foursomes

The Foursomes will take place on Sunday, the 29th of August. It will be a 36-hole Foursomes Strokeplay tournament.

- Open to amateur golfers who are members of a golf club affiliated to GolfRSA.
- This event is limited to 44 pairings (88 players) on a first come first serve basis.
- Players must enter in pairs, which can be male, female or a mixed pairing.
- Firethorn morning field and afternoon field.
- Morning field: 06h46 - 08h30 | Afternoon field: 11h22 - 12h50 off both tees.
- Entry fee: R840-00 per team.

Please contact Leanne on clubevents@randpark.co.za for more information.

Please [click here](#) to download the entry form.

Please [click here](#) to download the Tournament Risk Mitigation Procedure.

Entries close at 12h00 on Friday, the 20th of August 2021.

Any cancellations/withdrawals after the closing date will not be refunded. Players who have any of the Covid-19 symptoms on the morning before play or any time leading up to the event, are obligated to inform the Union and withdraw from the event. In this case, the entry fee will be refunded.



We've experienced some very cold conditions this past week. Here is a photo of Firethorn on Tuesday morning, courtesy of Frank Barlow.

BUSHWILLOW COURSE							
COURSES & COMPETITION FORMAT MAY VARY							
Day	Date	Activity - AM	Cost	Comp Fee	Activity - PM	Cost	Comp Fee
Mon	26-Jul	Course Closed			Course Closed		
Tue	27-Jul	Senior Comp TBC	Std fees apply	R 25	Social	Std fees apply	N/A
Wed	28-Jul	Social	Std fees apply	N/A	Club Comp Betterball Bonus Bogey	Std fees apply	R 60
Thu	29-Jul	Social	Std fees apply	N/A	Social	Std fees apply	N/A
Fri	30-Jul	Social	Std fees apply	N/A	Social	Std fees apply	N/A
Sat	31-Jul	Club Comp	Std fees apply	R 35	Club Comp	Std fees apply	R 35
Sun	01-Aug	Club Comp Betterball Stableford	Std fees apply	R 35	Social	Std fees apply	N/A

FIRETHORN COURSE							
Day	Date	Activity - AM	Cost	Comp Fee	Activity - PM	Cost	Comp Fee
Mon	26-Jul	Social	Std fees apply	N/A	Social	Std fees apply	N/A
Tue	27-Jul	Course Closed			Social	Std fees apply	N/A
Wed	28-Jul	Ladies Open TBC	Std fees apply	R 35	Social	Std fees apply	N/A
Thu	29-Jul	Social	Std fees apply	N/A	Social	Std fees apply	N/A
Fri	30-Jul	Social	Std fees apply	N/A	Social	Std fees apply	N/A
Sat	31-Jul	Club Comp Betterball Stableford	Std fees apply	R 35	Club Comp Betterball Stableford	Std fees apply	R 35
Sun	01-Aug	Club Comp Betterball Stableford	Std fees apply	R 35	Social	Std fees apply	N/A

RANDPARK

AROUND THE WORLD

YOUR PASSPORT TO PARTY

DEREK MCGOWAN
CAPTAIN'S GOLF DAY & DINNER

GOLF ITINERARY
 Friday, 27 August – Firethorn
 Registration from 09h30 in Baobab Terrace
 Shot Gun start at 11h30
 Format : Fourball Alliance 2 Scores to count

Members : R375 pp / Visitors : R615 pp
 (Incl. Green Fee, Competition Fee, Gift, Fantastic Prizes,
 On Course Activations and Dinner)

DINNER ITINERARY
 Friday, 27 August from 17h30 – Terrace Bar
 Take a trip around the world and experience cuisines from across the globe
 Bring the Family!
 R290 pp / R120 for Children U/12

RSVP
 Leanne - clubevents@randpark.co.za
 Gaby - events@randpark.co.za
 011 215 8600

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For BOOKINGS and/or SPONSORSHIP ENQUIRIES, please contact Debbie Gillings on **082 327 1725** or Jeanne de Power on **083 391 3910**.



Thursday Curry specials

Sit down or take-out from 5 pm to 8 pm (take-outs must be ordered with your service host)

Spicy Lamb Meatballs, simmered in a curried tomato sauce, served on fettuccine pasta - **R110**

Beef Tagine with dried apricots and chickpeas, served on herbed couscous - **R110**

Chicken Tikka Masala, a mild Indian spiced tomato-based curry with plain yoghurt and red onion marinade, served with fragrant rice - **R90**

All curries served with sambals, poppadums, chutney, desiccated coconut,

cucumber raita & mango achaar

Sunday Lunch specials

Please note orders for Sunday Lunch (take-away and those that will be enjoyed at the Club) must be placed by Saturday at 14h00. Contact **011 215 8600** to place your orders.

Lamb Roast Chimichurri with roast potatoes and a medley of baby vegetables, accompanied by a Madeira sauce

For 2 – R320 | For 4 – R620

Dessert - Malva Pudding served with warm custard/vanilla ice-cream

For 1 – R60 | For 4 – R220

You can now also order your Club favourites from Monday to Saturday between 11 am and 7 pm and Sunday between 11 am and 4 pm for take-away collection.

Contact **011 215 8600** ... and voila - you're off to culinary heaven!

[Click here](#) to view our takeaway menu.



**Have a great weekend
Stay Safe, Healthy & Happy!
The Randpark Team**



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