

Add bsi@greensidegolfer.retailtribenews.com to your contacts

[View online](#) | [Download a printer friendly copy](#)



Our alumni are making us proud

Alumni News

Jerry Steyn joins the Royal Johannesburg Team

Congratulations to BSI graduate Jerry Steyn on his appointment in the prestigious position of Course Manager/Head Greenkeeper at Royal Johannesburg & Kensington GC.

Jerry graduated from our PGA Diploma programme in 2012. After competing on the professional mini tours for a few years, he returned to become our inaugural greenkeeping student in 2015. A key component of the programme involves extensive practical hours and we arranged for him to complete his at Royal Johannesburg & Kensington GC. Jerry impressed so much during this time that he was offered the Assistant Greenkeeper position, which he held until 2019. Since then he has headed up the Superintendent duties at Pecanwood Estate and most recently Irene Country Club.

In announcing the appointment on behalf of the board, CEO Chris Bentley commented; *"We are thrilled to have secured the services of Jerry, who is passionate and very familiar with the property, staff and the expected standards. We have no doubt that Jerry will embrace this opportunity, continue with the excellent maintenance regimes and aspire to take our*

continue with the excellent maintenance regimes and aspire to take our golf courses to even greater heights. Jerry is an extremely talented greenkeeper with an exciting career ahead and his passion and attention to detail has certainly set him apart from others in his profession."

From Jerry on his appointment: *"I am excited to return to the club and start this new journey. I believe my passion, knowledge and commitment to enhance the courses, serve the members and deliver beyond expectation, gives me the perfect foundation for this role.*

I take this opportunity to thank Chris, Shaun, the Board and membership for entrusting me with this important responsibility and I can't wait to get started."

Jerry will start with the club on 2 May 2022 and enter a 2-month handover process and will formally take over the reins as the Course Manager from 1 July 2022.



Jerry Steyn

Staff update

A sad farewell

Thank you for your service, Coenie!

BSI Golf Coach **Coenie Stoop** is leaving the academy staff after more than 6 years of service, as he and his wife Michelle are emigrating to Perth, Australia.

Coenie has been part of the BSI family since enrolling as a student for the PGA Diploma in 2009. He won our Premier Order of Merit in each of his 3 years as a student and gained his Sunshine Tour card whilst still a student.

After 5 years on tour, he returned to BSI as a coach in 2016. In his time with us as a coach he guided 3 students to win our Premier Order of Merit and 3 students to win our Junior Order of Merit. In addition, he has guided many dozens of students to great improvements in their golf and most importantly has helped to develop them as people.

We wish Coenie and Michelle much future success, health and happiness in their new adventure, and we thank Coenie for his service and contribution. We look forward to hearing about his adventures down under.



Coenie Stoop

Positioning on the tee box

Performance Tip of the Week

By Chris Wright, BSI Coach & PGA AAA Professional

In this week's video, Chris gives a tip that will help you improve your positioning off the tee.



| Improve your game

If you need help with improving your positioning on the tee box, please get in touch with us.

[Talk to us](#)

Keep up with our winners

| BSI Tournament Results

BSI Junior Academy 36-Hole Medal Tournament

At the end of every cycle, our Junior Academy players compete in a 36-hole event, preparing our students for the longer format of some external competitions. Our first 36-hole event for the year was played on 17 and 18 March and was won by Eric Ncube. Eric and Grant Labuschagne ended the tournament tied on +4 and were sent into a play-off. Eric birded the play-off hole to win his inaugural 36-hole tournament. He shot scores of 75 (Royal East) and 73 (Royal West) over the 2 days, with both courses playing tough with all of the recent rain. This is Eric's fourth tournament win in two months. Well done, Eric and may you continue in your winning ways.

Personal bests from Round 1 of BSI Golf Junior Academy Cycle 1 36-hole Championship played on Royal East:

Jonathan Henry 78

Mogale Baas 79

Personal bests from Round 2 of BSI Golf Junior Academy Cycle 1 36-hole Championship played on Royal West:

Mogale Baas 75

Stacey-Lee van Gent 82



Eric Ncube

BSI Premier Medal

Congratulations to David Harrold for his win in the BSI Golf Premier Medal with a 2-under score of 70 on Royal Johannesburg and Kensington West Course played on Friday, 18 March 2022. The score of 70 is his personal best for the year in a BSI tournament. David has really shown a great start to the new year not only in BSI events, but has featured very well in many external tournaments these past three months. Great going David, keep up the hard work.

Personal bests from the BSI Golf Premier Medal:

George Mawere 76

Tiaan van Wyk 82

Daniel Macdonald 83

Cara Bosman 84



David Harrold

Well done to our golfers who excelled this week

External Tournament Results

Big Easy IGT Race to Q-School #7

Well done to **Mutahi Kibugu** (T16) and **Ryan Estment** (T27) for their finishes at the Big Easy IGT Race to Q-School #7 played at Blue Valley Golf & Country Estate from 14 to 16 March.

GolfRSA – North West Open

A big shoutout to the BSI players who made the cut in a shortened, rain affected North West Open at Potchefstroom GC from 19 to 21 March.

Final results:

T11 Bernard Meyer

T11 Jules Helary

T42 Titouan Tregouet

T46 Jamie Senekal

T57 Jonathan Williams

T62 Seamus Leech

Central Gauteng Race to River Club

Congratulations to **Eric Ncube** and **Vuyisani Makama** for their tied 2nd place finish (-2) in the CCGU Race to River Club Tournament played at Parkview GC on Tuesday 22 March.

Well done to the rest of the BSI students who also took part and achieved some good results:

7th - Tawriq Abrahams

T21 - Jayson Borchers

T24 - Grant Labuschagne

28th - Pranay Kapur

T29 - Jonathan Henry

SA Girls Rose Bowl

Well done to **Stacey-Lee van Gent** for her 11th place in the Silver Division and 46th place overall in the SA Girls Rose Bowl at Lost City GC, Sun City.

Let's get to know our partners in the game

This week we acknowledge our technology partner, **FlightScope**, who assist in making BSI a world-class fore-runner in the industry.

In this week's interview, **Albert Louw** from FlightScope recollects how they saw the partnership with BSI as a perfect fit for them. He also talks about the history and technology of FlightScope, which like BSI, is a South African company that is a global leader.

Watch the interview in the video below:



Need to gear up?

Online shop

Go to our online shop to view and purchase your BSI gear and services.

[Visit online shop](#)

Not just golf

Thank you for the support

BSI CANSA Shavathon

Raising awareness and much needed financial assistance to a Children's Cancer Charity, R1 700.00 was raised by students and staff at BSI. Thank you to everyone who participated!



Let's recap

Catch up on our previous newsletters and re-familiarise with our performance tips.

[Visit our archive](#)

Thank you to our sponsors



Your perfect playing partner

Your golf ball is with you from tee to green. And if you've got a moderate swing speed, you need added distance on longer shots and softer feel on shorter shots. The low compression Srixon Q-STAR TOUR could be your perfect playing partner.

Discover Q-STAR TOUR

Get in touch

Call 082 448 0753 | [Contact us](#) | [Visit our website](#) | [Visit us](#) | [Apply now](#)

Follow us



This mail was sent to {{contact.contact_email}} by Michael Balderstone and is provided as a service for the members and guests of Balderstone Sports Institute and has been supported and sponsored by advertisers in this email and our partner suppliers. For any queries contact us on 082 448 0753.

*Sent on behalf of Balderstone Sports Institute by
RetailTribe: Unit 8 | Blaauwklip Office Park | Stellenbosch | 7600 | 021 880 2693*

[Subscribe](#) | [Unsubscribe](#)