# SCHOEMAN PARK GOLF CLUB 27 JULY 2025









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# FREE STATE NOMADS COMMITTEE - 2025/26

NAME & PORTFOLIO		TEL	FUNCTION
Johan Terblanche (Captain)		082 924 8455	Responsible for the wellbeing of the Free State Nomads Golf Club.
Emiel Jonker (Vice-Captain)		082 339 9071	Responsible for prize givings and the raising of funds for the charities of his choice
Laurie Badenhorst (Junior Vice-Captain / Furtherance of Golf Nomads Foundation)		082 926 8304	Responsible for the starting at monthly games and the raising of funds for junior golf, ladies golf, disabled golf and support to golf clubs where we play our monthly games to improve the game of golf
Charles van den Blink (Immediate Past Captain)		083 300 2888	Assisting the Captain
Caren Bester (Match Secretary / Handicapper)	- Contract   100 min   100	083 289 2483	Organizing monthly games and maintain the SAMSON system
Mellaney Hanton (Secretary)		072 132 9631	All club admin and correspondence
Hennie Labuschagne (Membership)		061 234 8765	All member matters including new applications, resignations, monitoring games played, changing of members' details, member milestones, inductions, ties, badges
Riaan Bester (Junior / Ladies Ambassador)		082 554 3093	Recruiting new Nomads. Communication channel regarding Junior and Ladies matters
Vaughn Healy (Treasurer)	DIA	084 890 8912	See to the well being of the financials of the club
Joe de Beer (Golforama)		083 661 6544	Organizing support for scoring at Sunshine tour tournaments
Neels Bezuidenhout (Honorary, Away Tours)		083 440 0131	Managing entries, payments and accommodation for all Nationals, anniversaries and challenges on behalf of Free State Nomads
Neels Bezuidenhout (Honorary, Newsletter, Website)		083 440 0131	Compile the month newsletter and maintain and update the website

Daniel Venter (Equipment)		076 668 1407	Managing the and control the stock levels of the sponsored beverages, equipment, trophies, prizes, etc. See to setting up and removal of the altar for prize givings and safe storage of equipment. Updating nameplates on the altar. Collecting beverages of respective sponsors	
Henk van Niekerk (Clothing)	SEC CO	082 563 0837	See to the ordering and supplying of Nomads branded clothing, excluding ties and badges.	
Riaan Neethling (PRO / Sponsorship)		082 784 1020	Secure sponsors for every monthly game and collect prizes	
Tony Halgreen (Honorary)		082 458 6118	Monitoring the activities of Free State Nomads to operate within and honoring the Constitution and Rules of Play	

It would be much appreciated if you contact the appropriate committee member for the relevant enquiry/query.

## MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

Category	Jan. 2023	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Current
Associate	9	9	10	9
Full	56	69	68	68
Honorary	3	3	4	4
Non-Active	0	0	0	0
Non-Playing	4	3	3	3
Sponsor (Local)	1	0	0	0
Sponsor (National)	1	1	0	0
Total	74	85	85	84

### **PROSPECTIVES**

Enrique van Wyk Ben Mohau Manyarela Werner Britz

### BIRTHDAYS FOR July & Aug 2025

1 Jul: MC Pienaar

4 Jul: Henk van Niekerk

16 Jul: Alrico Bester 19 Jul: Wessel Mostert

19 Jul: Anton van Ee

25 Jul: Stuart Leech

25 Jul: Johan Erasmus

25 Jul: Lerato Mosia

30 Jul: Vaughn Healy



2 Aug: Domonique vd Merwe

5 Aug: Theunis Barnard

12 Aug: Moeketsi Machogo

13 Aug: Sandy Matsemela

15 Aug: Brandon Lindeque 20 Aug: Teboho Chaka

29 Aug: Mellaney Hanton

### FROM OUR CAPTAIN'S DEN



### **WHAT A BOYTJIE!**

This is now the **second month in a row** where we've witnessed an *exceptional* performance on the course—and this time, the spotlight falls squarely on none other than our very own **Jono van Rensburg**.

Not only did Jono crack a solid **forty-pointer**, but according to some of the old hands in the club, it might just be the **highest score ever recorded**—a

blistering **44 points**! Jono, we salute you for this outstanding achievement. That kind of scoring doesn't happen by accident—though if you ask him, he may chalk it up to "just a lucky day." We know better. His fourball didn't just ride on his coattails—they went on to **win the day overall**. Well done, gentlemen! Golf is, after all, a team sport (when you're winning).

Speaking of fourballs, I had the privilege of teeing it up with one of our prospectives, **Enrique van Wyk**, alongside **Wessel Smit** and **Cronje Ferreira**. Cronje was particularly vocal from the first tee box, determined **not** to walk away with the dreaded **toilet paper**. Personally, I don't know what the issue is with one-ply—it's still technically paper! But thanks to Cronje's relentless encouragement, we rose to the challenge and came in **three points clear of the Altar Bunnies**, successfully avoiding the dreaded bottom spot. Thank you gentleman for a memorable day and the Altar Bunnies for making 3 points less than us.

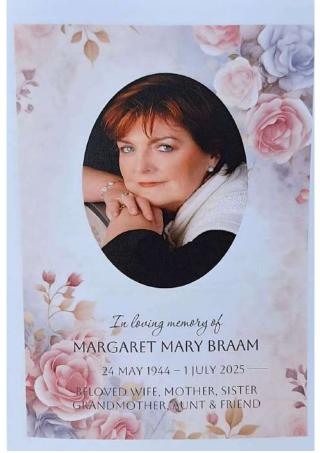
Another highlight of the day was the **great turnout at prizegiving**. It was heartening to see so many members staying behind to support and celebrate each other. As mentioned during the announcements—**prizegiving is part of the game**, and it's our chance to properly acknowledge and thank our **generous sponsors**, both national and local. Without them, none of this would be possible.

We were also honoured to have **Sunette van Zyl from the CHOC House**—our Andrew Mentis Fund recipient—join us for the day. Her presence was a special reminder of the broader impact our club has. There's more about that later in this edition.

Mark your calendars: **our next game takes place at Schoeman Park on 10 August**. Let's keep the momentum going, and who knows—maybe you'll be the next "Boytjie" we're talking about...

See you there!

### ROLE OF HONOR



It is with great sadness that I share the news of the passing of one of Free State's most dedicated and beloved members, Margaret Braam, who passed away on Tuesday morning,1 July 2025. Margaret, although a non-playing member, served as the club's Match Secretary from her induction and founding date of the Free State Nomads Golf Club on 8 November 1997 until her retirement at the end of 2019, when she and her husband, Herman, stepped away from the game.

For more than 2 decades, Margaret was the engine room of our club – quietly and efficiently managing fixtures, record-keeping, and the many behind-the scenes responsibilities that often go unnoticed, but without which the club simply wouldn't function. From the very beginning, she was the backbone of the Free State Nomads, and countless members experienced her steady guidance, kindness and encyclopaedic knowledge of the game and the club.

Her contribution extended far beyond administrative duties-Margaret represented the spirit of service and commitment that lies at the heart of Nomads. She will be remembered with deep respect and great fondness. Our heartfelt condolences go out to Herman, their son, Richard and their family in this time of loss.

To Margaret, the question was never about what Nomads would do without her, but what she would do without Nomads. Margs, you will surely be missed by Free State Nomads. May your soul Rest in Peace.

## **OUR SILVER DREAM MACHINE**

**Mellaney Hanton** 

Caren Bester



PLAYER STATISTICS			
Description	Count		
Nomads	49		
Visiting Nomads	0		
Guests	2		
Prospectives	3		
TOTAL	54		

NOMADS SCORING STATISTICS							
Cut	No Change	No Change Gained Ave Score					
11	27	11	30,1				

# **WHISKY & MILK TABLE**



# Main Sponsor of the day:





# **Snacks sponsor of the day**



Guests	Prospective members	Visitors
Herman Claassens	Enrique van Wyk	None
Phileo Lodewyk	Ben Mohau Manyarela Werner Britz	
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# Prize Giving: 27 July 2025

# INDUCTIONS & MILESTONES/ACHIEVMENTS: Riaan Neethling: June Game 40-pointer



### **PRIZE SHEET: 27 July 2025**

Matchbox		19	10	Teboho Chaka				
Over 55 Winner		37	10	Andrew Murray				
Playing 4-ball Winners		141	63	Tony Halgreen	Jono van Rensburg	Joe de Beer	Vaughn Healy	
Drawn 4-ball Winners		137	61	Sandy Matsemela	Ben Mohau Mayarela	Ralph Olivier	Jono van Rensburg	
Worst Playing 4-ball		108	55	Neels Bezuidenhout	Herman Claassens	Moeketsi Machogo	Casper the Ghost	
Playing Pair Winners		76	41	Jono van Rensburg Joe de Beer			Beer	
Divisional Winner	A	6	36	Cronje Ferreira				
Runner-up	A	32	2	Peet van Wyk (	Peet van Wyk (Apology)			
Divisional Winner	В	37	10	Andrew Murray				
Runner-up	В	36	15	Sandy Matsemela				
Divisional Winner	C	44	25	Jono van Rens	burg			
Runner-up	C	37	16	Bernu van den	Heever			

# Champion of the Day: Jono van Rensbsurg

### (Sponsor: Bloem Marble & Granite)



### WHAT'S IN THE BAG – JONATHAN "JONO" VAN RENSBURG

We managed to grab exactly 1 minute and 35 seconds of Jono's time—roughly the length of his attention span—for a quick sit-down with this *exceptionally* local golfer. For those who don't know, Jono was once considered one of the finest 25-handicappers in the country. Following his legendary 44-point round, he's now playing off 19 and starting to frighten a few of the more serious contenders.

### So, Jono... what's in the bag?

"I carry a full set of clubs... but only use a few. Currently, I rely mostly on **three putters**. One I use from 186m and in, the other is for use on the green, and then I have a **left-handed putter** strictly for trick shots out of impossible places. The rest of the clubs are just there for show—and to fill the bag, which is quite big."

### What new development in golf will have the *least* impact on you?

"The rollback of technology—be it the clubs or the balls—will have absolutely zero effect on my game. In fact, it might just bring the rest of you down to *my* level."

### Favourite drink?

"Anything non-alcoholic these days. I've had my share over the years."

### Favourite on-course snack?

"Gummy Bears, without a doubt. Ask Neels—he'll confirm they give you that extra oomph when your round starts to wobble."

### What really gets under your skin during a round?

"Up until now, I haven't qualified for the **Pink Hat** at Nomads—most players somehow managed to come in *below* my score. But with my new handicap, I'll finally be able to give them a proper run for their money. And as you know, **even the worst players** still qualify for **Gold Cup** at the end of the year."

### Any tips for golfers struggling with their putters?

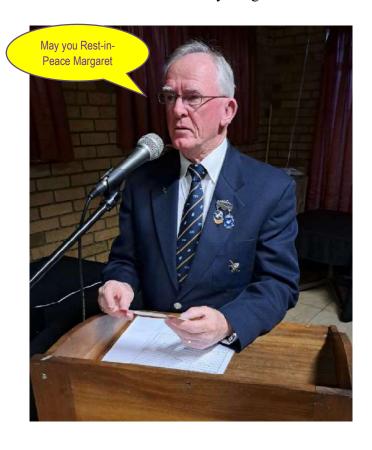
"Simple: Grip it and rip it. Just make sure you apologise if you accidentally hit another player."



### **OUR CAPTAIN:** Johan Terblanche

THE CREED: Tony Halgreen









### **MOST GOLF**

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game

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Teboho Chaka

### **WORST PLAYING 4-BALL**

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Jono se

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Neels Bezuidenhout, Herman Claassens(Guest), Moeketsi Machogo, Casper the Ghost

### DRAWN 4-BALL WINNERS



Ben Mohau Manyarela, Sandy Matsamela, Jono van Rensburg, Ralph Olivier

### PLAYING 4-BALL WINNERS



Tony Halgreen, Jono van Rensburg, Vaughn Healy, Joe de Beer

### **DIVISION WINNERS**



**B-Division:** Andrew Murray (37) C-Division: Jono van Rensburg (44) A-Division: Cronje Ferreira (36)

### **DIVISIONS RUNNER-UP**



A-Division: Peet van Wyk (32)(Apology) B-Division: Sandy Matsemela (36) C-Division: Bernu van den Heever (37)

Ek sal kan doen met so 'n hoed

# Aag Crap Jono NOMA Grap Jono Joe, wat ondertoe groei op my ken, groei boontoe op jou kop Joe, wat ondertoe groei op my ken, groei boontoe op jou kop Ade

Joe de Beer, Jono van Rensburg (76)

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Andrew Murray Sponsor: Leech Blinds

### NEAREST TO THE PINS (Sponsor: TAX LAB)

Captain the empty
box

We win the golf

balls and the

John Annandale (6 & 17), Tjokkie Roux (14), Jono avn Rensburg (6), Cronje Ferreira (8) Emiel Jonker (6), Henk van Niekerk (17)

### LONGEST DRIVES (15th)



B-Div – Andrew Murray, A-Div – Brendon York, C-Div: Gerber Rossouw (Apology)

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**EAGLE (15**<sup>th</sup>)
Tjokkie Roux



LONGEST PUTT (13<sup>th</sup>)
Tony Halgreen

The Young Guns can hit a long ball, but the Old Toppies can putt.



HERMAN BRAAM TROPHY
Lincon Construction Challenge:
Old Toppies (31,2) vs Young Guns (29,6)
Winner: Old Toppies

### **LUCKY DRAWS**

WHISKY, VODKA & CAPTAIN'S DRAW



(Sponsor: Auto Tech) Cronje Ferreira (49)



Captains draw: Riaan Neethling Vodka draw: Marius Swart, Riaan Bester, Gert Venter

### JOKER DRAW- Not won - Carry over R4 032

Beginners luck?



### **OTHER RESULTS**

Pick 3: A:36, B:37, C:44 – Not Won – Carry Over R1 913

**Two Clubs**: Hole 6 – John Annandale, Jono van Rensburg, Emiel Jonker

Hole 8 - Cronje Ferreira Hole 14 - Tjokkie Roux

Hole 17 – Henk van Niekerk, John Annandale

**Eagles:** Hole 9 - Tjokkie Roux

**Hole-in-Ones:** None **Average of the day:** 30,1

### **REMAINING FIXTURES FOR 2025/26**

EVENT	GOLF COURSE	DATES
Monthly game	Schoeman Park Golf Club	10 Aug
Monthly game	Bloemfontein Golf Club	14 Sep
AMEF Golf Day	Schoeman Park Golf Club	24 Sep
Veldskoen Challenge	George Coutry Club	4 Oct
Monthly game	Dewetsdorp Golf Club	18 Oct
Monthly game	Schoeman Park Golf Club	02 Nov
Monthly game/Gold Cup	Schoeman Park Golf Club	23 Nov
Monthly game	Bloemfontein Golf Club	18 Jan
Monthly game/Bell Cup	The Clarens Golf Club	14 Feb
Monthly game	Schoeman Park Golf Club	02 Mar

## **REMAINING EVENTS FOR 2025/26**

EVENT	GOLF COURSE	DATES	STATUS
Golforama	Parys	15 – 17 Aug	
Southern Cape 40th	Simola Golf Club	5 - 6  Sep  25	Awaiting details
23 <sup>rd</sup> Botswana Nationals	Phakalane	12 – 14 Sep 25	Entry forms available Entries close 31 July
Western Province 60 <sup>th</sup>	Durbanville	27 – 28 Sep	Entry forms available Entries close 13 Aug
9 <sup>th</sup> Eswatini Nationals	Royal Swazi	16 – 18 Oct 25	Entries closed 27 June
15 <sup>th</sup> Australian Nomads Nationals	Perth	24 – 26 Oct 25	Entries closed 31 May
Gauteng 65th	Rand Park GC	5 <sup>th</sup> Dec 25	Awaiting details
61 <sup>st</sup> SA Nomads - Whale Nationals	Selborne Golf Club	7 – 13 Mar 26	Awaiting details
43 <sup>rd</sup> Zimbabwe Nationals	TBA	29 Apr – 3 May 26	Awaiting details
3 <sup>rd</sup> United Kingdom Nationals	TBA	12 – 13 Jul 26	Awaiting details
5 <sup>th</sup> Zambia Nationals	TBA	15 – 18 Jul 26	Awaiting details
24 <sup>th</sup> Botswana Nationals	TBA	18-19 Sep 26	Awaiting details
10 <sup>th</sup> Eswatini Nationals	TBA	16 – 18 Oct 26	Awaiting details
16 <sup>th</sup> Australia Nationals	TBA	24 – 26 Oct 26	Awaiting details
New Zealand Nationals	TBA	TBA	Awaiting details

# GARY PLAYER DRAW 2025 - ROUND 3

	Home #	Home Team		Нер	Result	Away	Away Team	
1	4897	Moeketsi MACHOGO (6) & Lerato MOSIA (	12)	-0		4911	Marius KINGSLEY (11) & Steven MILTON (9)	
2	4892	Hennie LABUSCHAGNE (10) & Laurie BADENHORST (14)		3		4906	Andrew MURRAY (7) & Ralph OLIVIER (14)	
3	4890	Riaan BESTER (17) & Wessel MOSTERT (9)	,	8		4900	Vaughn HEALY (7) & Kevin COERTZEN (11)	
4	4902	Gary LINDEQUE (7) & Stuart LEECH (18)		0		4924	Danie LIEBENBERG (17) & Gerber ROSSOUW (18)	
		Plat	te Com	petitio	on Draw	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
#	Home #	Home Team	Нср	Resu	lt Away		Away Team	
1	4894	Joe DE BEER (16) & Gert VENTER (21)	15		4896	Johan TERBLANCHE (13) & Riaan NEETHLING (9)		
2	4901	Rudi BOTHA (3) & Ike HEYNS (9)	0		4903	4903 Gerdie KARSTENS (18) & Daniel VEN		
3	4891	François RETIEF (22) & Wessel SMIT (14)			4893		ois LESSINGH (15) & William PHERD (24)	
4	4904	Anton VAN EE (14) & Bernu VAN DEN HEEVER (13)	0		4905	Node PEZHINENHOLIE (21) & Co. 4.		



# **MEMORABLE MOMENTS**

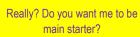
JIMMY SALES (Easterns Nomads) – 600<sup>TH</sup> Game



Congratulations to the legendary Jimmy Sales who has reached his 600<sup>th</sup> Nomads game on 29 June 2025. This awesome milestone was reached in only 54 years.

## **MONTHLY GAME**

**Before T-off** 







## **ON THE COURSE**

Jono's interpretation of keeping up with the 4-ball in front of you.

Tony's tombstone. He can't get the ball on the green from 100m.





# **Classic Nomads approaching the ball**





# Classic addressing the ball







# **Classic Nomads Golf Swings**







High finish, open hips and shoulders



High Finish. Weight through the ball











Classic following the ball







Standing motionless watching

# **Classic Nomads putting**





# A day of Gert Kleingeld Venter on the golf course



Jokes aside. He start focusing on his game before he hits his first shot off the T into the rough, thinking: "I should have had a beer before playing"





Still very far from the green and in the rough, the best club has to be his driver to get distance.





# **Other Moments**

Early blackout. Waiting next to the green for his partners to finish putting





# PRIZE-GIVING Before Prize Giving



# **During Prize Giving**





# 2024/25 CHARITY: CHOC HOUSE (Charity of choice of ex-VC, Wessel Mostert) Choc House representative thanking Nomads



Sunette van Zyl

### CHOC HOUSE - BRINGING HOPE, ONE SMILE AT A TIME

We were honoured to have **Sunette van Zyl** from **CHOC House** joining us at our recent prizegiving. She shared with us the remarkable work their organisation is doing for children battling cancer, and the important role CHOC House plays in offering support to both the children and their families during incredibly difficult times.

Thanks to the dedication of **Wessel Mostert** and the generosity of the Free State Nomads, we were able to allocate an amount of **just under R90,000** to CHOC House. These funds are being used to **upgrade the children's play area** and to **replace much-needed linen** in the house.

Sunette spoke passionately about how the play area had been one of her dreams for quite some time. Many of the children who are treated at **Universitas Hospital**, spend **extended periods** confined indoors during their treatment for cancer. As you can imagine, this can be incredibly frustrating for young children who naturally have energy to burn. The new play area will now provide a safe, supervised space for these brave youngsters to play, laugh, and be children again—if only for a moment.

In addition to caring for the children, **CHOC House also provides accommodation for parents**, offering them a home-like environment where they can stay close to their children during treatment. This support is especially critical for families who travel from far-flung areas and who may not have the means to afford long-term accommodation in the city.

To every member, sponsor, and friend who contributed to this project and the **Andrew Mentis fundraising efforts**, thank you. Your involvement is helping to put a smile on a child's face during one of the most challenging journeys they'll ever face.

Your kindness, quite literally, makes a world of difference.



Thanks to

and fellow Nomads Gary Lindeque, Barney Lindeque

and Ralph Olivier upgrading the play area.





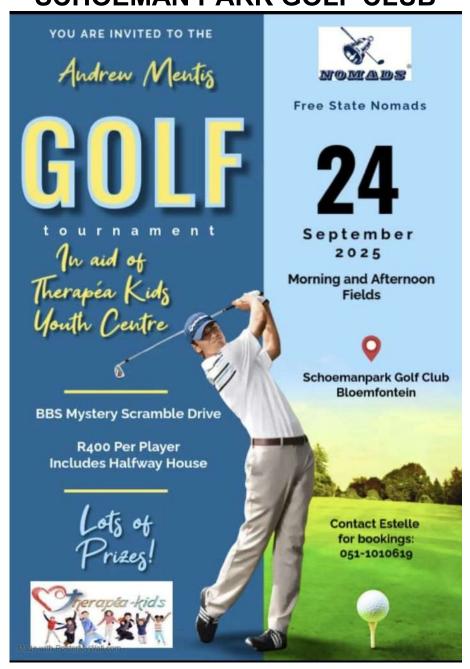




# AMEF FUNDRAISER 1 Augustus 2025 Dinner & Dance at Lochshoek



# 2025 ANDREW MENTIS GOLF DAY FOR CHARITY 24 September 2025 SCHOEMAN PARK GOLF CLUB



## **Furtherance of Golf Initiative**

By: Laurie Badenhorst (Junior Vice-Captain: Free State Nomads - Furtherance of Golf)

Free State Nomads raised R3000 for meals for caddies at Schoeman Park and Bloemfontein Golf Clubs on the very cold days, when it's too cold to play golf, leaving the caddies with no income for the day and an empty stomach. Well done guys.

# ZAMBIA's 4<sup>th</sup> EAGLE NATIONALS - July 2025 LUSAKA GOLF CLUB



SA NOMADS: WINNERS OF THE TOURNAMENT CONGRATULATIONS GUYS!!!!







# **CELEBRATING A 66th BIRTHDAY AT THE SHUTE**





Hey Barman, gooi daar 'n shooter

vir die birthday boy. Ek betaal.

My Captain and Immediate Past Captain couldn't wait for me. I'm apparently too slow to their liking. I suppose, it comes with age.







### A big thank you to our Local Sponsors:















































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