SCHOEMAN PARK GOLF CLUB 10 AUGUST 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 o 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	10
Full	55	68	67	71
Honorary	3	3	4	3
Non-Active	0	0	0	0
Non-Playing	4	3	3	2
Leave of Absence	1	1	1	1
Sponsor (Local)	1	0	0	0
Sponsor (National)	1	1	0	0
Total	74	85	85	87

PROSPECTIVESBen Mohau Manyarela **Werner Britz**

BIRTHDAYS FOR Aug & Sep 2025

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



06 Sep: Marius Kingsley 07 Sep: Cronje Ferreira

07 Sep: Cronje Ferreira 07 Sep: Brendan York

13 Sep: Vernon York

20 Sep: Rudi Botha

24 Sep: Riaan Ahrens

26 Sep: Christiaan Nel

FROM OUR CAPTAIN'S DEN



Sunday's Game & Prizegiving

I didn't have the privilege of playing this past Sunday, but I was back in time for the prizegiving. A big thank you to Immediate Past Captain, Charles van den Blink, for stepping in for me. I could see the relief on his face when I took over – I wonder why?

It was a special afternoon as we presented two 15-year ties to **Benny Lindeque** and **Ralph Olivier**, and a 5-year tie to **Marius Swart** – congratulations to you all. Another highlight for me is always inducting new members, and this time we welcomed **Enrique van Wyk** to our club. Enrique, may you build wonderful friendships here and around the world. Although apologized for prizegiving, **Klasie Viljoen** transferred back to Free-State Nomads, from Easterns Nomads.

Sadly, this past week we also learned of the passing of **Herman Braam**, the founding member of our Free State club, first Captain, and Honorary Member. We will always remember his contribution, as well as that of **Margaret**, his wife, who also sadly passed away last month.

Now, back to the golf! Congratulations to **Steven "Double Drop" Milton** for his outstanding 38 points. Our newest member, **Enrique**, wasted no time making his mark with an excellent 37 points, winning the C-Division, and **Daniel Venter** took the B-Division with a solid 36 points – well played, gentlemen.

Our next game is scheduled for **14 September** at **Bloemfontein GC**. We'll also be on **Golforama** duty at **Parys Country Club** from the **15 -17th** of this month. Thank you to all the volunteers who have put up their hands – we only get one game a year, so let's represent the club with honour and, most importantly, have some fun.

See you there!

ROLE OF HONOR

Honorary FS Nomads Founder Captain Herman Braam



Memorable moments with Herman

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The Serious Herman





Attending Nationals (Thumb sucking?)





Golforama (Red Sands)

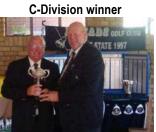


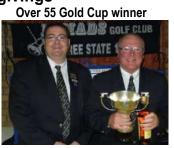


Prize givings





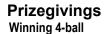






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Judge Herman



Whisky draw

Jono & Herman









National Chairmen's visits









Obituary – "Sir" Hermanus Richardus Braam ("Braampie")

When you read the documents on the establishment of the Free State Nomads Club, one name stands out above the rest – **Herman Braam**.

In May 1996, Herman, together with fellow founding members Gerry Bell, Andre Rheeder, and Alex Jones, formed the original steering committee to create a new club. At the time, Herman was the only active Nomads member, having been part of the Easterns Nomads. Initially, they struggled to gather enough support, and for a while they played under the tongue-in-cheek name "Nomans". By the end of 1996, however, their perseverance paid off – they had managed to gather a group of fifty members. On 9 November 1997, the club was officially established, with Herman proudly serving as the founding Captain.

Sometimes, I think that Free State Nomads is the envy of other clubs – we have our own unique culture. and that was largely due to the influence of Herman.

Herman was not only a driving force in getting the club off the ground, but also an extraordinary person in life – always showing respect to one and all. I first met Hermanus Richardus Braam (HRB) in 1996 at Schoeman Park Golf Club, although he was actually a member of the Bloemfontein Golf Club. He loved Schoeman Park so much that he jokingly called himself a "miscellaneous" member.

We shared many memorable tours and laughs together. I recall travelling to Mossel Bay for a NATEX meeting during my captaincy – I may have driven a little too fast for his liking, and he kept repeating, "Jy is bedonnerd in de hoofen."

Herman was a true leader, with a knack for getting you to buy him a whiskey or a beer or two. His vision and determination helped shape the club we know today. When he coordinated the first Nomads Nationals in Bloemfontein in 2008, Free State Nomads walked away with the Bert Hunt Trophy – the most sought-after trophy of all our tours and competitions.

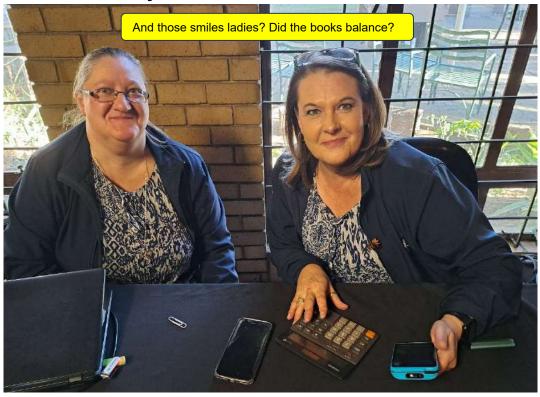
I gave him the nickname **Braampie**, and as all good friends say, what we did in Rome stays in Rome.

HRB, I am grateful I had the chance to see you not long ago - something I had wished for. Now you are reunited with Ma Braam, and I have no doubt she will continue to look after you.

Our largest tree in Free State Nomads has fallen. Rest in peace, my friend. Tony Halgreen

OUR SILVER DREAM MACHINE

Mellaney Hanton Caren Bester



PLAYER STATISTICS		
Description	Count	
Nomads	49	
Visiting Nomads	0	
Guests	1	
Prospectives	2	
TOTAL	52	

NOMADS SCORING STATISTICS					
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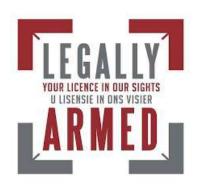
WHISKY & MILK TABLE







Main Sponsor of the day: Bernu van den Heever





Prize Table & Altar



Snacks sponsor of the day



Guests	Prospective members	Visitors
Murray Hofmeyer	Ben Mohau Manyarela Werner Britz	None

Prize Giving: 10 Aug 2025

INDUCTIONS & MILESTONES/ACHIEVMENTS:

Jono van Rensburg (Mr. 44): July Game 44-pointer







Tie Awards Marius Swart (5 year), Ralph Olivier & Benny Lindeque (15 year)

Baie geluk. Welkom terug aan die twee gekroktes. Bly julle is terug op die skouer en die knie.



PRIZE SHEET: 10 Aug 2025

Matchbox		14	20	Wessel Smit	Wessel Smit		
Over 55 Winner		12	35	MC Pienaar			
Playing 4-ball Winners		40	131	Rudi Botha	Francois Lessingh	Steven Milton	Johnny Moore
Drawn 4-ball Winners		46	130	Rudi Botha	Peter Hanton	MC Pienaar	Domonique vd Merwe
Worst Playing 4-ball		48	106	Domonique vd Merwe	Teboho Chaka	Emiel Jonker	Werner Britz
Playing Pair Winners		26	70	Wessel Mostert Theunis Barna		Barnard	
Divisional Winner	A	9	38	Steven Milton			
Runner-up	A	-2	35	Shaun Visagie			
Divisional Winner	В	15	36	Daniel Venter			
Runner-up	В	12	35	MC Pienaar			
Divisional Winner	C	19	37	Enrique van \	Nykl		
Runner-up	C	17	35	Theunis Bana	ard		_

Champion of the Day: Steven ("Double drop") Milton (Sponsor: Bloem Marble & Granite)



OUR CAPTAIN: Johan Terblanche







THE JUDGE: Teboho Chaka



Wessel, are you glad to be fines master next game, or are you glad that your handicap will increase by two?



MOST GOLF

Wessel Smit

PRIZE GIVING: Emiel Jonker



WORST PLAYING 4-BALL

106 on a count out? Can you believe it.



Tebogo Chaka, Domonique van der Merwe, Emiel Jonker, Werner Britz (Pros)



Domonique van der Merwe, Rudi Botha MC Pienaar, Peter Hanton



Steven Milton, Rudi Botha, Francois Lessingh, Johnny Moore



A-Division: Steven Milton (38) **B-Division:** Daniel Venter (36) **C-Division:** Enrique van Wyk (37)



A-Division: Shaun Visagie (35) B-Division: MC Pienaar (36) C-Division: Theunis Barnard (35)

BEST PLAYING PAIR:



Wessel Mostert & Theunis Barnard (70)

WINNER OVER 55



MC Pienaar Sponsor: Leech Blinds



Tjokkie Roux (8), Lerato Mosia (14), Peet van Wyk (6), Etienne Blignaut (17)

A-Div – Wessel Mostert, C-Div – Theunis Barnard, B-Div: Francois Lessingh



EAGLE (12th)
Steven Milton

LONGEST PUTT (13th)
Lerato Mosia

HERMAN BRAAM TROPHY
Lincon Construction Challenge:
Old Toppies (28,66) vs Young Guns (29,89)
Winner: Young Guns

LUCKY DRAWS



JOKER DRAW- Not won - Carry over R4 816



OTHER RESULTS

Pick 3: A:38, B:36, C:37 – Won – R2240 – Johnny "Walker"/Vernon York



Two Clubs: Hole 6 – Johann Erasmus

Hole 8 - Shaun Visagie, Bernu van den Heever

Hole 17 – Vernon York Hole 12 - Steven Milton

Hole-in-Ones: None **Average of the day:** 29,6

Eagles:

SPONSORS DINNER



Altus Beeston addressed Nomads regarding a 4-man team, viz. Altus, Coenie, Theunis and Jono, who wants to invite all current local sponsors as well as potential sponsors to a sponsors' dinner. They will be addressed and introduced to Nomads and emphasized the important role we play in Furtherance of Golf and for those less fortunate than us.

The suggestion is that we request a mere R2500 sponsorship from each of them for a year sponsorship. This function will become an annual event in the second half of the year.

The team need from Nomads to provide them with names of possible companies which we can invite to such an evening.

REMAINING FIXTURES FOR 2025/26

EVENT	GOLF COURSE	DATES
Monthly game	Bloemfontein Golf Club	14 Sep
AMEF Golf Day	Schoeman Park Golf Club	24 Sep
Veldskoen Challenge	Kingswood Golf Estate	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	Entries closed 6 Aug
23 rd Botswana Nationals	Phakalane	12 – 14 Sep 25	Entries closed 31 July
Western Province 60 th	Durbanville	27 – 28 Sep	Entry forms available Entries close 13 Aug
9 th Eswatini Nationals	Royal Swazi	16 – 18 Oct 25	Entries closed 27 June
15 th Australian Nomads Nationals	Perth	24 – 26 Oct 25	Entries closed 31 May
Gauteng 65th	Rand Park GC	5 th Dec 26	Awaiting details
61 st SA Nomads - Whale Nationals	Selborne Golf Club	7 – 13 Mar	Awaiting details
43 rd Zimbabwe Nationals	TBA	29 Apr – 3 May 26	Awaiting details
3 rd United Kingdom Nationals	TBA	12 – 13 Jul 26	Awaiting details
5 th Zambia Nationals	TBA	15 – 18 Jul 26	Awaiting details
24 th Botswana Nationals	TBA	18-19 Sep 26	Awaiting details
10 th Eswatini Nationals	TBA	16 – 18 Oct 26	Awaiting details
16 th Australia Nationals	TBA	24 – 26 Oct 26	Awaiting details
New Zealand Nationals	TBA	TBA	Awaiting details

GARY PLAYER DRAW 2025 - ROUND 3

			14 Se	· Commence		AND COLUMN TO THE OWNER.	
-	Home #	Home Team		Нср	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)				4924	Danie LIEBENBERG (17) & Gerber ROSSOUW (18)
		Pla	te Con	petitio	n Draw	*****************	
#	Home #	Home Team	Нср	Resul	lt Away		Away Team
1	4894	Joe DE BEER (16) & Gert VENTER (21)	15		4896		TERBLANCHE (13) & Riaan THLING (9)
2	4901	Rudi BOTHA (3) & Ike HEYNS (9) 0			4903	Gerdi	e KARSTENS (18) & Daniel VENTER (15)
3	4891	François RETIEF (22) & Wessel SMIT (14) 0			4893		ois LESSINGH (15) & William PHERD (24)
4	4904	Anton VAN EE (14) & Bernu VAN DEN HEEVER (13)	0		4905		BEZUIDENHOUT (21) & Sandy SEMELA (13)

NEXT NOMADS GAME:

Bloemfontein Golf Club — Sunday 14 Sep 2025

MEMORABLE MOMENTS

MONTHLY GAME

Tips from a 19 handicapper, Mr 44 on Saturday to prepare for the Sunday Game





Step1: Soak clubs in lukewarm water and dishwasher soap in the kitchen sink.

Step 2: Clean grooves of clubheads with steel brush, rinse and dry.

Step 3: Clean putter heads with soft cloth and don't use a steel brush. It can scratch the face of the putter. Rinse and dry.

Tip: Use 3 putters:

- A driving putter
- A rough putter, and
- A green putter
- You can consider a 4th putter, a bunker putter, which is a lefthand putter to play out of bunker with the backside of the putter head

Step 4: Practice with these putters from the rough and the fairway. That will ensure that uneven greens will have little effect on your putting ability, and you will be able to make 44 points and even more.

Tip: After making 44 points, stay humble. Keep on practicing in the rough, because your handicap will be cut to a 19. Aim for a high score like 38 points. Remember, golf has a tendency to bring one back to earth and you might end up making only 26 points at your next game because the past does not equal the future. Happy putting days.









ON THE COURSE

First, identify your ball on the 1st tee

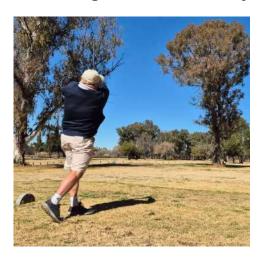


Classic Nomads Take away/Back Swing





Open hips, Turn shoulders, Follow through, Transfer weight onto the front foot, Finish high. – Well done Tjokkie



Hitting divots



Creating molehills







Cart partners



After action, satisfaction. On the way to the clubhouse. Possible winning 4-ball and Champion of the Day with 38 points?



The Johnny Walkers



Iceman with his Gatsby golf shoes. Apparently gives a better grip. Is there a ball in your pocket, or are you trying to keep your pants up, Ikey?















Classic following the ball

A day in the life of a golf ball with Nomads











PRIZE-GIVING Before Prize Giving

Lesson on how to claim your bet
(By Bernu van den Heever)



Negotiation: Here's the 100 bucks but I want discount.

No, no, no, no!!!!

A deal is a deal.

Closing the deal: Grab him by the neck so that he can't run. Wait for him to close his eyes, then swiftly get a firm grip on the money before he pulls it away and rip it hard. Money in the bank. It works everytime.



During Prize Giving



Facial expressions when getting a fine









Nee Liefie, moet jy ook betaal?





After prize giving



Nou verlang ek darem maar erg na Karin.







Rule Nr.1: Never change the Venue







GOLFORAMA – PARYS GOLF COURSE

15 - 17 August 2025

Friday - Sunday group

- Joe de Beer
- Johan Terblanche
- Neels Bezuidenhout
- Gert Venter
- Tjokkie Roux
- Benny Lindeque
- Mok Lazaro
- Francois Retief
- Charles van den Blink
- Riaan Bester
- Sandy Masemela

Sunday Group

- Marius Kinbgsley
- Riaan Neethling
- Ike Heyns
- Steven Milton
- Daniel Venter
- Lizzy Venter
- Peter Hanton
- Mel Hanton
- Ralph Olivier
- Patches Muller

AMEF FUNDRAISER 1 Augustus 2025 Dinner & Dance at Lochshoek



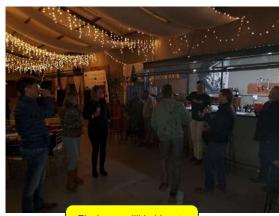




































Die jonges begin nou losraak in die onderlyf.



Time to go home. Kyk hoe blink daai ogies al.



Spot the Mistake





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