

BLOEMFONTEIN GOLF CLUB

8 June 2025



2 Guests and 2
Prospective for
our June game

Another great day thanks to our national sponsors:



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FREE STATE NOMADS INCOMING 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)		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)		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)		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	69
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	85

PROSPECTIVES

Enrique van Wyk
Ben Mohau Manyarela
Werner Britz

BIRTHDAYS FOR June & July 2025

1 Jun: Andy Mafata 6 Jun: James Moore 10 Jun: Emiel Jonker 12 Jun: Patches Muller 16 June: Heinrich Landman 20 Jun: Altus Beeston 26 Jun: Neels Bezuidenhout 28 Jun: Willie Hoffman		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
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FROM OUR CAPTAIN'S PEN



You're Fired! (Well... Almost)

That's what I *wanted* to say to my Gary Player partner, Riaan Ceilings Neethling, after he casually dropped a 42-pointer on us. Can you *imagine* how much harder I now have to play to balance out his over-achievement? Of course, with him being cut to a 7 handicap, I'll just stand back and watch the magic (or mayhem) unfold next month. Well done, Riaan – begrudgingly.

Kudos also to our other division winners: Wilfred Machogo with a solid 37, and Skillie Bezuidenhout with a classy 38. Gentlemen, you've set the bar high – and we'll be blaming you when we can't reach it!

We'd like to welcome Lean Uys as a newly inducted member – may your drives be long and your putts obedient. Congratulations to Basie Crause on receiving his 25-year tie, and to Gert Venter for his 100-game badge – an impressive milestone!

At our last game, VC Emiel Jonker introduced us to Bernard from Therapea Kids, patron of the Andrew Mentis charity. It was an inspiring session, giving us real insight into the incredible work they're doing. Thanks to all who took the time to meet him and learn more about the cause.

As for our travels – while a few of us (myself included) head off to Olivewood Golf Club to celebrate Border's 50th anniversary, JVC Laurie Badenhorst will be hosting the annual FOG Day at Schoeman Park. Word is the field is almost full, but there are still four fourballs up for grabs. Nomads and guests – this is your moment!

And now, a serious swing of the club: prizegiving attendance. We've had far too many apologies lately, and frankly, it's not on. As Nomads, attending prizegiving is part of our commitment – not just to the spirit of the game, but out of respect for our sponsors. Let's do better.

See you on the fairways (unless you're Riaan Ceilings– then I'll see you at the handicap committee...).

Your Captain

Johan Terblanche (alias Oupa, Terror or Namaqua)

OUR SILVER DREAM MACHINE

Caren Bester

Mellaney Hanton



Ai, nou verlang ek darem maar na my Beertjie

Concentrate Melly !!!

PLAYER STATISTICS	
Description	Count
Nomads	51
Visiting Nomads	
Guests	2
Prospectives	2
TOTAL	55

NOMADS SCORING STATISTICS			
Cut	No Change	Gained	Ave Score
13	26	12	30,1

WHISKY & MILK CORNER



Main Sponsor of the day:

Specialized Insurance Company (Mok Lazaro)



Snacks sponsor of the day:

Theunis Barnard



Guests	Prospective members	Visitors
Tshidiso Kometsi Hendrik Steyn	Werner Britz Enrique van Wyk	None

Prize Giving: 8 June 2025

INDUCTIONS & MILESTONES/ACHIEVEMENTS:

25 Year Tie



Basie Crause

100 Game Badge



Gert Venter

New Inductee



Lean Uys

PRIZE SHEET: 8 June 2025

Matchbox		14	17	Peter Hanton			
Over 55 Winner		24	38	Neels Bezuidenhout			
Playing 4-ball Winners		49	128	Ralph Olivier	Marius Kingsley	Moeketsi Machogo	Gerdi Karstens
Drawn 4-ball Winners		31	133	Basie Crause	Shaun Visagie	Etienne Blignaut	Coenie Beukes
Worst Playing 4-ball		37	109	Basie Crause	Tshidso Kometsi (Apology)	Sandy Matsemela (Apology)	Brendon York
Playing Pair Winners		33	70	Riaan Neethling		Gert Venter	
Divisional Winner	A	7	37	Moeketsi Machogo			
Runner-up	A	-2	35	Shaun Visagie			
Divisional Winner	B	12	42	Riaan Neethling			
Runner-up	B	14	38	Werner Britz			
Divisional Winner	C	24	38	Neels Bezuidenhout			
Runner-up	C	21	35	Coenie Beukes			

Champion of the Day: Riaan Neethling (Tiger) (Sponsor: Bloem Marble & Granite)



THE CAPTAIN: Johan Terblanche



THE CREED: Voorbeeldige Jono



THE JUDGE: Anton van Ee



R20 fine to the starter on the 1st T-box with his helicopter gadgets, Coenie Beukes

PRIZE GIVING: Emiel Jonker (VC)



Chosen Charity for 2025: Therapea Kids Representative: Bernard



Nou het ons weer voorraad Esta

MOST GOLF



Peter Hanton

WORST PLAYING 4-BALL



Brendon York, Basie Crause, Sandy Matsemela (Apology), Tshidiso Kometsi (Apology)

DRAWN 4-BALL WINNERS

Chopper pilot?



Basie Crause, Shaun Visagie, Coenie Beukes, Etienne Blignaut

PLAYING 4-BALL WINNERS



Gerdie Karstens, Marius Kingsley, Moeketsi Machogo, Ralph Olivier

DIVISION WINNERS

Slakkie is back



**C-Division: Neels Bezuidenhout (38)
B-Division: Riaan Neethling (42)
A-Division: Moeketsi Machogo (37)**

Shaun, enjoy your +4 handicap at the next game

DIVISIONS RUNNER-UP



**A-Division: Shaun Visagie (35)
B-Division: Werner Britz (38)
C-Division: Coenie Beukers (35)**

Atleatisme

BEST PLAYING PAIR:

Ha, ha, ha. It's like taking candy from kids

WINNER OVER 55

Slakkie, jou zip is oop

Serious?



Riaan Neethling, Gert Venter (70)



Neels Bezuidenhout
Sponsor: Leech Blinds

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

LONGEST DRIVES

Sterk wind van agter Francois?



Cronje Ferreira (4), William Shapherd (11),
Laurie Badenhorst (16), Francois Retief (Apology) (8)



A-Div – Brendon York, C-Div: Francois Lessingh
B-Div – Anrew Murray (Apology)



LONGEST PUTT (13th)
Coenie Beukes (Chopper Pilot?)



HERMAN BRAAM TROPHY
Lincon Construction Challenge:
Old Toppies (29,07) vs Young Guns (30,43)
Winner: Young Guns

LUCKY DRAWS

SHORT HOLE AGGREGATE (4th)



(Sponsor: Auto Tech)
Johnny Moore

WHISKY, VODKA & CAPTAIN'S DRAW



Whisky & Vodkas & Captain's draw:
Henk v Niekerk, Francois Lessingh, Bernu vd Heever
Captains draw: Etienne Blignaut (Apology??)

JOKER DRAW - Not won - Carry over R3 164



OTHER RESULTS

Pick 3: A: 37, B: 42, C:38 – Not Won – Carry Over R1 586

Two Clubs: Hole 4 – None
 Hole 8 - Neels Bezuidenhout, Shaun Visagie
 Hole 11 - Jono van Rensburg, Werner Britz, William Shepherd, Moeketsi Machogo
 Hole 16 – Basie Crause

Eagles: None

Hole-in-Ones: None

Average of the day: 30,1

REMAINING FIXTURES FOR 2025/26

EVENT	GOLF COURSE	DATES
FOG Golf Day	Schoeman Park Golf Club	16 Jun
Monthly game	Schoeman Park Golf Club	27 Jul
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
Border 50th	Olivewood & West Bank	14 – 15 Jun	Entries closed 8 May
2 nd UK Nationals (Kernou Nationals)	St Million Resort & Spa, Cornwall	11 – 12 Jul 25	Link for entries available
4 th Zambia Nationals (The Eagle Nationals)	Lusaka Golf Club	17 – 19 Jul 25	Entry forms available, Entries close 15 May
Southern Cape 40th	Plettenberg Bay Golf Club	5 – 6 Sep 25	Awaiting details
23 rd Botswana Nationals	Phakalane	12 – 14 Sep 25	Entry forms available Entries close 30 July
Western Province 60 th	Durbanville	27 – 28 Sep	TBC
9 th Eswatini Nationals	Royal Swazi	16 – 18 Oct 25	Entry forms available Entries close 27 June
15 th Australian Nomads Nationals	Perth	24 – 26 Oct 25	Entries closed 31 May
Gauteng 65th	Randpark GC	5 th Dec	Awaiting details
61 st SA Nomads - Whale Nationals	Selborne Golf Club	7 – 11 Mar	Awaiting details

GARY PLAYER DRAW 2025 – ROUND 2

<u>02/06/2025 To 26/07/2025</u>						
<u>GARY PLYER</u>						
Home #	Home Team	Hcp	Result	Away #	Away Team	Hcp
4888	Henk VAN NIEKERK (20) & JC VAN DEN BERG (19)	17		4902	Gary LINDEQUE (5) & Stuart LEECH (17)	0
4911	Marius KINGSLEY (12) & Steven MILTON (8)	0		4907	Jono VAN RENSBURG (25) & Altus BEESTON (14)	19
4890	Riaan BESTER (19) & Wessel MOSTERT (9)	0		4910	Charles VAN DEN BLINK (16) & Armand NEL (20)	8
4899	Johnny MOORE (13) & Brendan YORK (2)	0		4892	Hennie LABUSCHAGNE (11) & Laurie BADENHORST (15)	11
4887	Riaan AHRENS (16) & Vernon YORK (4)	1		4897	Moeketsi MACHOGO (7) & Lerato MOSIA (12)	0
4912	Mok LAZARO (14) & Shaun VISAGIE (-2)	0		4906	Andrew MURRAY (11) & Ralph OLIVIER (15)	14
4900	Vaughn HEALY (7) & Kevin COERTZEN (11)	18	<-HOME--			0
4924	Danie LIEBENBERG (17) & Gerber ROSSOUW (18)	35	<-HOME--			0

GARY PLAYER PLATE

Home #	Home Team	Hcp	Result	Away #	Away Team	Hcp
4909	James MOORE (5) & Etienne BLIGNAUT (7)	0		4894	Joe DE BEER (14) & Gert VENTER (21)	23
4905	Neels BEZUIDENHOUT (24) & Sandy MATSEMELA (16)	2		4898	Theunis BARNARD (17) & Coenie BEUKES (21)	0
4908	Henry JOHNSON (11) & Ruben BECKER (7)	0		4904	Anton VAN EE (14) & Bernu VAN DEN HEEVER (16)	12
4913	Pieter MAARTENS (20) & Stef YOUNG (19)	5		4891	Francois RETIEF (22) & Wessel SMIT (12)	0
4901	Rudi BOTHA (2) & Ike HEYNS (7)	0		4889	Emiel JONKER (14) & Cronje FERREIRA (6)	11
4895	Tony HALGREEN (15) & Mc PIENAAR (12)	0		4893	Francois LESSINGH (16) & William SHEPHERD (24)	13
4903	Gerdie KARSTENS (15) & Daniel VENTER (14)	29	<-HOME--			0
4896	Johan TERBLANCHE (12) & Riaan NEETHLING (12)	24	<-HOME--			0

NEXT NOMADS GAME:

Schoeman Park Golf Club – Sunday 27 July 2025

MEMORABLE MOMENTS

GARY PLAYER KNOCK OUT – ROUND 1

2024 GPKO winners will now compete for the Plate in 2025



Happens when you play with soccer balls



MONTHLY GAME

Before T-off

New barman, Steven?
Organize more whisky



Choggies, what
are you doing?

Ek het nog my winters
pajama-hemp aan en daai
man loop met 'n
kortbroek. Hy gooi seker
ys in sy koffie ook?



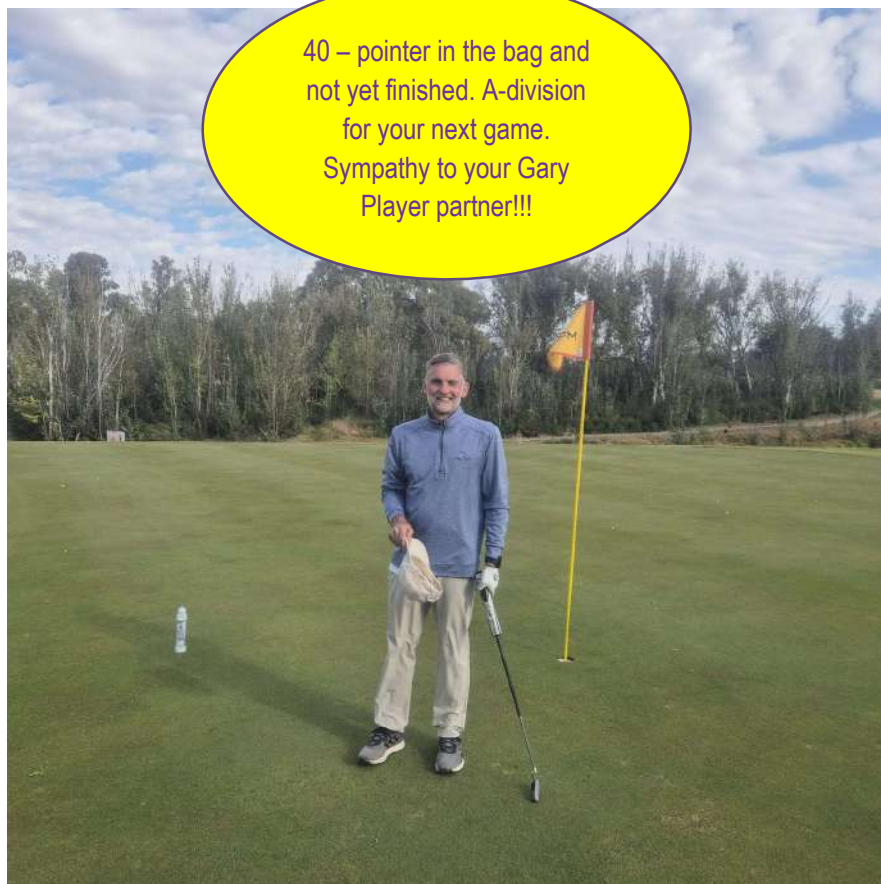
ON THE COURSE



Formidable putters



What is this? Peace signs, 2 x 2-clubs, predicting to be the playing pair of the day or ordering two brandy specials each?



40 – pointer in the bag and not yet finished. A-division for your next game. Sympathy to your Gary Player partner!!!

PRIZE-GIVING

Hoekom het jy dit nie gereel nie. Het jou lank terug al gevra.



Waar's die Creed? Hoe moet ek die Creed lees?

Moet ek nou weer die Creed in Afrikaans kom lees?



Nee, asseblief nie



Daniel Venter, our proud
Equipment Officer



As ek kon gholf speel soos ek
fines uitgedeel het, sou ek 'n
40 pointer maklik gemaak het.



Chopper Pilot, where's
your Ray bans??



I have no reason to play
off the forwards Tees.





We are the quiet table. Wha ha ha



Hey Riaan, stop digging for diamonds and pay the waiter

Double park, Rudi?

Dit gaan nie oor die hond
nie, maar die halsband



Hey. Pasop. Moenie my
vrou afneem nie. Sy byt.



Thanks Mokie.
Cheers!!!



This is my 20-minute
drink, then I leave.



OBS, the Frees State shooter!!



Julle Nomads is darem
maar honger



2025/26 COMMITTEE WEEKEND

ALIWAL-NORTH



Prize Giving

First:... The uitk@k parade



Then:... I'm sorry



Then:... Laughing about it



Because of my good putting



Wa jou koene?

My Harem



One leg standing pose



FINES – 1st SESSION (Fines Master – Emiel)



Koos Kombuis

Whoop, whoop

Oe, that pinky



Eyes closed shut

Eyes wide open



I'm a Tiger



Sjuut Charlie, it's my turn now

Toemaar, dis nie so erg nie



FINES – 2nd SESSION (Fines Masters – Caren & Mellaney)





Breakfast before we go home

Eet mooi, Spanners



Struggle to keep the burger down, Riaan?

BORDER 50th Anniversary-15th June 2025



Gary Lindeque (Director: FOG), Stuart Leech, Moeketsi Machogo, Johan Terblanche (Captain), Mok Lazaro, Steven Milton, Marius Kingsley.

Border 50th Anniversary – A Weekend to Remember

Anniversaries always offer a bit of perspective—especially for us younger clubs. They’re a reminder of the rich heritage we’re part of, the commitment of those who came before us, and the traditions they’ve established that we now carry forward.

The Border 50th Anniversary, held at the scenic Olivewood Wildlife Estate, was no exception. We were incredibly fortunate with the timing—just a week earlier the area had been hit by severe flooding, and another cold front is expected this week. But somehow, the golfing gods smiled on us with a near-perfect day... at least until the first tee shot!



I was especially proud to see how well represented the Free State was. We were among the clubs with the largest turnout, and the spirit our members brought with them was evident both on and off the course. (Yes, I'm told the Free State contingent may once again have been among the last to leave the bar... no surprises there!).



Who closed the bar? Do da, do da....

A big congratulations to the Border Nomads on a superbly organised event and on reaching this impressive 50-year milestone. May the next 50 be just as successful - filled with camaraderie, fairways, and a touch of mischief.



My turn next time Marius

Furtherance of Golf – Golf Day 16th June 2025

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

Free State Nomads Host Another Successful FoG Golf Day at Schoemanpark Golf Club

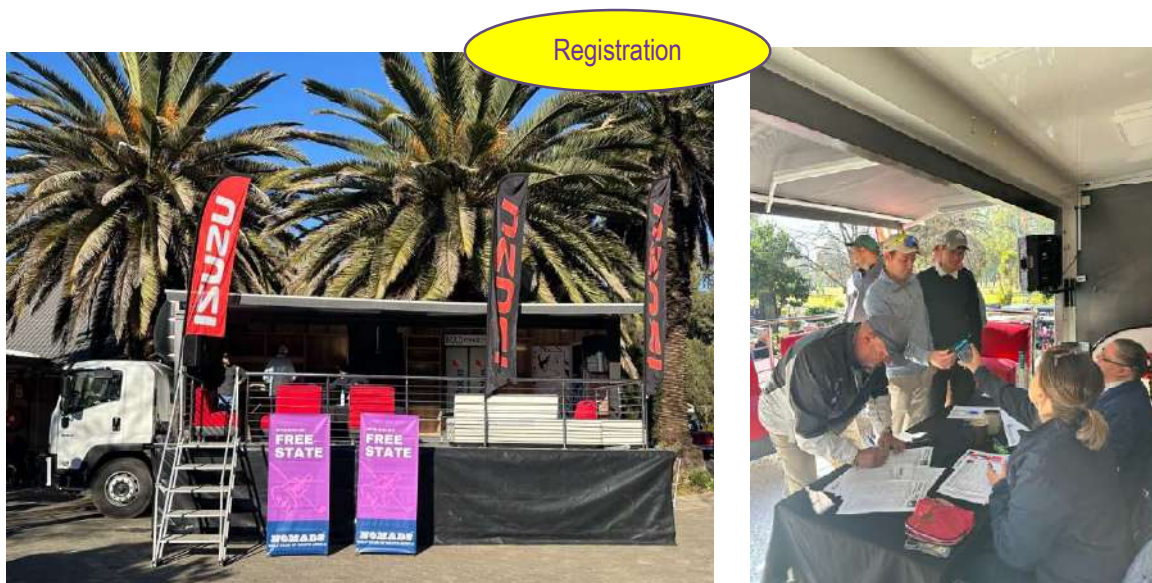
The Free State Nomads hosted their annual **Furtherance of Golf (FoG) Golf Day** on Monday, 16 June 2025, at the prestigious Schoemanpark Golf Club in Bloemfontein. With 115 golfers taking to the course, the event proved once again to be a highlight on the golfing calendar.

The day featured a **Betterball Stableford** format and commenced with a shotgun start at 11:00. Despite being mid-winter in the Free State, players were treated to perfect golfing conditions, making for an enjoyable and competitive round.

The Free State Nomads extend their deepest thanks to all participants for their enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Special appreciation goes to **Schoemanpark Golf Club** for their warm hospitality and seamless coordination throughout the day.

The Nomads also wish to acknowledge the invaluable contribution of their sponsors. A particular thank you goes to **Motus Isuzu Bloemfontein**, the event's main sponsor, whose generous support helped create an atmosphere of camaraderie, fun, and lasting memories. The event was well-covered by **My City Bloemfontein**, who shared live updates and photos on their social media platforms.

All proceeds raised during the FoG Golf Day will go towards supporting **Junior Golf, Ladies Golf, and Disabled Golf** across the Free State — key development areas aligned with the Nomads' ongoing mission to grow and uplift the game of golf in South Africa.



Some of the sponsors



Score checking



Ooh, there's that look again

Jono, are you the chucker-out at the ladies bar?



All seats!! Let's get the party started



PRIZE WINNERS

Dis Winter!!!









RAFFLE WINNERS



Free State Women's Open

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

The Free State Women's Golf Open Championship 2025: A Showcase of Talent and Sportsmanship

The **Free State Women's Golf Open Championship** took place at the picturesque **Vaal de Grâce Golf Estate** on the weekend of **10–11 May 2025**. A total of 74 ladies from across South Africa gathered to compete in this prestigious tournament, which featured three competitive categories and showcased the rising and seasoned talent in South African women's golf.

The Gold Division, the premier category of the tournament, was contested over 36 challenging holes on Saturday, followed by an 18-hole finale on Sunday. The two-day event tested the skill, stamina, and mental toughness of the top female golfers in attendance.

I had the privilege of assisting during the event alongside **Johan Terblanche**. Together, we supported the smooth running of the tournament, ensuring that players enjoyed a well-organized and professional experience. A special word of thanks goes to the **Free State Nomads**, whose generous sponsorship made the event even more memorable by providing quality prizes for all the divisions.

The **Junior Ladies** category delivered one of the tournament's most exciting moments. **Zané Kleynhans** emerged victorious after a tense playoff against the talented **Casey Leah Twidale**. Both players demonstrated remarkable composure under pressure, but Kleynhans ultimately clinched the win with a well-executed playoff performance.

In the **Open Championship**, golf fans were treated to a thrilling showdown as **Izabella Ferreira** and **Olivia Wood** could not be separated after 54 holes. Even after three intense playoff holes, the two players remained neck and neck, ultimately deciding to share the prestigious title—a true display of sportsmanship and mutual respect.

The **2025 Free State Women's Golf Open Championship** will be remembered not only for the high level of competition but also for the camaraderie, organization, and support that brought the golfing community together. Congratulations to all the participants and winners, and we look forward to an even greater event next year.

The top 5 results were as follows for the different divisions:

Division: Championship

Pos.	Move	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	R3	Total Gross
T1	▲ 4	Isabella Ferreira	+3	73	75	71	219
T1	▲ 1	Olivia Wood	+3	71	75	73	219
T3	▼ 1	Casey Leah Twidale	+4	74	72	74	220
T3	▼ 2	Zané Kleynhans	+4	74	71	75	220
5	▲ 2	Charlotte Millard	+8	78	74	72	224

Division: Silver

Pos.	Move	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	Total Gross
1	-	Melani Scholtz	+26	84	86	170
2	▲ 4	Heather Kruger	+30	90	84	174
3	▼ 1	Valda Ford	+32	85	91	176
4	▼ 1	Mogomotsi Sebata	+35	87	92	179
T5	▼ 1	Chantaylee Visser	+36	89	91	180
T5	▼ 1	Theresa McLeod	+36	89	91	180

Division: Bronze

Pos.	Move	Player	Total Stableford Points	R1	R2
1	-	Carene Le Roux	84	43	41
2	-	Olga Van Zyl	76	40	36
3	▲ 6	Phindile Bekwa	71	28	43
4	▲ 1	Chezelle Probst	65	31	34
5	▼ 2	Michelle Holt	64	33	31

Division: Mid-Amateur

Pos.	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	Total Gross
1	Crystal Janse van Rensburg	+19	81	82	163
2	Catherine Hammond	+21	78	87	165
3	Heidi van der Berg	+24	81	87	168
T4	Melani Scholtz	+26	84	86	170
T4	Chelene Oosthuizen	+26	83	87	170

Division: Junior Open

Pos.	Move	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	R3	Total Gross
1	-	Zané Kleynhans	+4	74	71	75	220
2	-	Casey Leah Twidale	+4	74	72	74	220
T3	▲ 3	Kaitlyn van de Vyver	+9	79	76	70	225
T3	▼ 1	Lisa Coetzer	+9	72	74	79	225
5	▼ 1	Lourenda Steyn	+10	75	76	75	226



Isabella Ferreira
(Open Championship – Shared 1st)



Zané Kleynhans
(Junior Open Winner)

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