

JIMMY GOWANS TEE TALK



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BIRDSEYE VIEW

FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S SCORECARD

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NEXT GAME:

COURSE:

Killarney

DATE: 19 AUGUST

GAME FORMAT:

BBS

GREEN FEE: R285

CART COST:

R420

Hi Again,

CANSA

Our focus for the next two months will be on our annual Cansa Charity Day. As you are aware, Cansa is Sages's charity of choice and this is the only day in the year that we focus on fundraising for an outside organization. We at Jimmy Gowans believe that our primary responsibility lies with our members and throughout the year our focus is entirely for the benefit of our members.

However, this is the day that we reach out to people in need who are faced with the terrible effects of cancer on their health. We do this through the CANSA organization who ensures that all funds donated to them are channeled correctly to those in need.

We realize that we cannot merely ask our members to donate towards this charitable cause as most of us are retired and have our own budgets to consider. That is why your committee is hard at work to get as many sponsors as possible to donate prizes so that we can allocate a larger portion of the entry fee towards CANSA.

We shall again have several items to auction and we are negotiating with SMG Toyota to again sponsor a hole-in-one prize.

We have learnt from experience that the success of the day lies in the number of players we can attract on the day. Last year we had about 90 players who participated resulting in a total contribution to CANSA of over R30,000-00

This year we have the entire morning field of Firethorn blocked out for our day. We are requesting our loyal participants not to play in your normal fourballs, but to invite your friends and colleagues to join you and make up multiple fourballs. As this is an open day and not restricted to Sages members or seniors, anyone can enter and play at the rate we have negotiated with Randpark. The rate that was agreed on is R350-00 greenfee with no club competition fee as the usual weekly senior club competition will be on the Bushwillow course. Cart cost will be R340-00 per cart with no trail fee for using your own

cart. I think all will agree that this is the bargain of the year. Entry fee for the day will be R100-00 per player which amount will go directly to CANSA. There will be an additional R50-00 fee for entering the hole-in-one competition.

So, please get going and start arranging your fourballs. The official invite will be circulated in due course and we are all looking forward to a very successful day.

PENTAGONAL

The Pentagonal tournament that was scheduled in March at Ebotse and was cancelled due to the heavy rain, took place on 13 August. We have received the results at the time of writing this letter. We trust all our participants had a great day and played good golf. We won the inaugural event last year at Maccauvlei and we are hopeful to repeat that achievement.

NORTHERN REGIONALS

This took place at Benoni Country Club on the 22nd and 23rd of July. The course was in excellent condition despite the winter challenges. We had 12 members participating. Though we tried our best, we could not repeat last year's second place. East Rand won the competition by quite a margin. Put it down to local knowledge. 😊😂👊

NEXT GAME.

Our next game is at Killarney. The invite is out and the interest is looking good. Enjoy the day.

I'll be away on leave until the 1st of September with intermittent access to social media. Please feel free to contact any of the other committee members with any issues, suggestions or any input regarding CANSA or Jimmy Gowans in general.

Regards,

Anton Korb.

TEeing OFF – FIRST TIMERS

Welcome to Marietjie and Hoffnie Wolmarans who joined us from Highveld branch. Hope you have settled in after your move and that you will be able to join us for a round in the near future.

We also welcome Chubby Stafford from Bryanston also joined us in August. Hope to see you for many enjoyable rounds.

FIRST AID CORNER

It was with great sadness that we learnt of the passing of Richard Storbeck. He was a Sages member since November 2012. Always a gentleman, always a friendly word. He will be sorely missed.

Tom Buckle suffered a setback a few weeks ago. It is suspected that he had a heart attack and possibly suffered a light stroke. He is recovering slowly under the tight supervision of his wife Amy and the doctors. He has been absent from golf for quite a few weeks now as he has problems with his balance. We wish Tom a speedy recovery but also with the warning to take it easy. Not easy for Tom though.

George Burness has been in hospital for the last few weeks with a heart valve problem. He has spent a lot of time in ICU.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all our members who are not well and we wish them all a speedy recovery.

As always, we ask you to advise us of any members who are not well.

GETTING ON – MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS

JUNE

3rd Jacques Harrington
21st Donald Eales
24th Mauritz Vermeulen
30th Larry Butler

JULY

4th Marietjie Wolmarans
11th Anton Fourie
16th Ken Resnick
21st Barry Moyo
23rd Hermann Kohrs

AUGUST

5th Scotty Idle
10th Deon Loubser
13th Faan Burger
13th George Burness
20th Brian Lodge
25th Steve Griebenow

We wish you all a brilliant and healthy year.

THE 19TH HOLE



JIMMY GOWANS WINNERS Kyalami 24-Jun-25



COMPETITION :	2-Ball Multiplier	HANDICAP :	100%
PLACE	NAME(S)	RESULTS	PRIZES (4)
1st Place	Mike McLean(64) and Mike Young(67)	71 Pts	R400 Thundergun Voucher each
2nd Place	George Burness(82) and Chris du Preez(66)	69 Pts	R300 Berts Butcher Voucher each
3rd Place	Cobus Bester(65) and Jack Venter(69)	61 Pts	R200 Berts Butcher Voucher each
NEAREST THE PIN (Sleeve of Balls)		TWO CLUBS (2 Balls)	
3 th	Andre Blom (7.5m)		
6 th	Dino Phillips (4m)	Dino Phillips	
14 th	Lew Loxton (7m)	Ivor Randall	
17 th	Paul Henry (1.5m)	Paul Henry	
WINE	Tom Buckle		
WHISKEY	Dino Phillips		





JIMMY GOWANS WINNERS

Bryanston 15-Jul-25



COMPETITION : 2-Ball Combined		HANDICAP : 100%	
PLACE	NAME(S)	RESULTS	PRIZES (3)
1st Place :	Peter Langley(67) and (V)John Falkener(66)	71 Pts	R400 Thundergun Voucher each
2nd Place :	Patrick Maritz (P)(D) and (V) Sonny Masanabo(53)	66 Pts	R300 Berts Butcher Voucher each
3rd Place :	Ivor Randall(74) and Lindsay Botes(70)	65 Pts	R200 Berts Butcher Voucher each
NEAREST THE PIN (Sleeve of Balls)		TWO CLUBS (2 Balls)	
4 th :	Pete Langley (1.5m)		
9 th :	Ivor Randall (2m)		
11 th :	Llewellyn Loxton (4.2m)	Llewellyn Loxton	
14 th :	Llewellyn Loxton)6.3m)		
WINE : Maureen Henshall			
WHISKEY : Colin Opie			

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First Place
Pete Langley and John Falconer



Second Place
Sonny Masanabo and Pat Maritz



No one cares what your score was. Ever.

Swing Help

I had the most miserable round I've played in years yesterday. Dropped three straight into the water on my 90 yard approach on the 3rd hole. Had a 10 on two separate holes on my way to a 109.

I didn't get mad. I enjoyed the day with my playing partners. Because I realize that no one - not my wife, not my playing partners, not my best friends - no one cares about my golf score. I could shoot a 72 or a 120, and my life would not change an iota in either case.

Get out there. Enjoy the game. Savor the great drives and flushed iron shots. Let the mistakes roll off your back. Have fun - because if you're not - you're spending a lot of money and mental anguish for no reason at all.