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From the Editor's desk

Please take some time to study the national SAGES website at www.sagesseniorgolfers.co.za for more information regarding other country wide events. We also encourage our members to visit the Vaal Sages Facebook page for the latest information from our branch. See [Sages Vaal | Facebook](#)

This edition is stacked with competition results from 3 events since we cover both November and December in this edition.

The Year-End function was great success as usual and thanks to you all who have supported the function in good spirit. We are just very sad to hear about the passing of Matt Stern who entertained us at our function of 2022. May his loved ones find strength during this difficult time.



Monthly Game @ Meyerton on 4th November 2025

Thanks to all that made the effort to join us at this event. The turn-out was quite good and we had 48 entries. The day was overcast with little to no wind. Ideal golf weather and the competition results are a clear indication of this. The day started with our usual format and Colin Clifford opened the proceedings with prayer.





1st Place: Jooste Coetzee and Skroef Schröer with 48 points



2nd Place: Chris Louw and Shaun Bailey with 47 points.



3rd Place: Jannie Schoeman and Johan Greyling with 46 points



4th Place: Johan Ungerer and Anton Dicks with 45 points.



5th Place; Vic Scrooby and Joe Budde with 44 points.



All the two clubbers



Manie Smit, Coen Fourie, Anna-Marie Van Baalen and Dion van Rooyen the long drivers.



The lucky one



The nearest to Pins: Jannie Schoeman, Eddie Simmonds
Linda vd Berg and Colin Clifford. Eddie's shot was as close to a hole in one,
as dammit is to a swear word. You are an inspiration Uncle Ed.

Year-End Game & Function @ Maccauvlei on 18th November 2025

We had a wonderful outcome with 84 players entering the competition, but Sakkie Jacobs unfortunately had to withdraw due to a neck strain. What a brilliant atmosphere from the first swing to the last brave putt.

Met 83 spelers op die baan was daar geen tekort aan drama nie.

Whether those putts actually dropped... well, the silence is telling.

Die middagete was tops, en die leë borde het die res gesê.

Thanks to everyone who helped the day run smoother than a perfect fairway lie.

Die trofee-oorhandiging was 'n fees soos altyd.

Congrats to the winners — skill, grit, or plain luck, it all counts.

Dankie aan elke lid, maat en helper vir 'n jaar om te onthou.

If next year follows this momentum, we're in for a great run.





Our two new members, Connor Cherer and Roelof Berg were welcomed by Dion. We are appreciative for Maccauvlei who could provide the venue on short notice. The course as usual, was great and the meal served with the prize giving was of their usual high standard. Well done.

The winners of the 4 Ball Combined IPS competition were the following:



In the 1st place on 141 com IPS Anton Dicks , Jan Vorster, Paul Ernst & Sampie v Rooyen apology.

2nd on 138 points: Johan v Niekerk, Chris Heynie Christa & David Cloete

3rd on 137 points: Kobus & Trix de Beer Julie & Chris Horn



In the 4th place we have Winnie Cochrane with 136 points. Her 3 partners, Chris Louw, Shaun Bailey and Louis Malherbe entrusted her with the responsibility to face the Paparazzi. Apologies received from all three.



5th on 135 points: Johan Venter, Christo Valentine Danie Jacobs & Christo Steyn



The sharp shooters on the day:
Amanda Boshoff on the 16th
Jonas Ragetsi on the 5th
Johan Greeff on the 8th
Chris Heynie on the 14th



Those that dealt with the artillery best:
Koetoe Botha on White
George Inkster on Red
Linda vd Berg on Pink
Dion v Rooyen on Blue



Then with a bit of a surprise with only 5 players
making two clubs. Connor Cherer, Hardus Visagie x 2
Johan Greeff, Kobus de Beer & Jooste Coetzee apology.

The year-end function, or as called by some clubs their prestige event, takes a serious amount of preparation from those involved with the organising, and hats off to the committee members who were key in making this an enjoyable event. We have already moved it from an evening to an afternoon event, since Covid, to limit travelling risk and other limitations preventing our members to attend. Many thanks for your attendance.



Mad scientist at work, kry trofees reg vir gravering

En die werk wat Dion en Petra insit met die Jaar-Eind voorlegging moet ook nie geringskat word nie. Dis gehalte werk en n toetslopie was ook die vorige dag gedoen om seker te maak dat alles werk. Alles net uit die liefde vir die saak.



Weereens was Danie Jacobs gewillig om in te staan as seremonie meester/gaskunstenaar en ons is hom ewig dankbaar vir sy betrokkenheid hier by ons.

Vaal Rivier Bo

And herewith the achievements for the year 2025

Club Championship



Club Champions:

Christo Hatting (men) and
Bonnie Jordaan (ladies)



Ladies Division Winner

Elizabeth Fourie, but the
Fouries are touring the country
with their inspirational singing
performances.

Mens Senior A Division Winner



Chris Horn

Mens Senior B Division Winner



Johan Greyling

Mens Veteran A Division Winner



Jimma Wood

**Mens Veteran B
Division Winner**

Chris Louw (apology)

The Runner Up Positions were taken by:

Club Champion R/U



Johan Ungerer

Ladies Division R/U



Bonnie Jordaan

Mens Senior A R/U



Christo Hattingh

Mens Senior B R/U



Johan Coetzer

Mens Veteran A R/U



Rassie Erasmus

Mens Veteran A R/U



Christo Valentine

Additional Trophies 2025



Marinus de Wilde
Spike Bootha



Winnie Cochrane
Spike Bootha R/U



Tulie & Carene le Roux
Tom Mullen



Jacomie Creamer & Bonnie Jordaan
Tom Mullen R/U



Winnie Cochrane
Ladies Knock-out Cup Nipple Cup



Petra van der Merwe
Ladies Knock-out R/U



Jan Vorster
Charlie van Houten Winner
Joe Alexandre R/U (Apology)



Christmas Competition @ Heron Banks 2nd December 2025

•Jingle bells Jingle bells, Jingle all way.

Sages players all in layers coming out to playyyy☆*

Heronbanks se uitstekende baan ten spyte van erge reen,het dië eindjaar kuier en spel weereens in n sukses verhaal geeindig.

In rooi en groen word die kersfees tema uitgeleef.

Life music in accordion style will always be my best memorable moments.Thank you so much Toni.You never hesitate to be there with your lovely background music. Érens en deesdae meer gereeld is daar 'n *hole in one*.

Baie geluk Hardus Visagie..

Aan al die winners en nie winners van vandag sê ons baie geluk.

May we all be save this coming season. Be blessed.

2026 wil be as great as all the previous years.

Cheers on our great Vaal sages group.

Marietjie Emslie



Petra's number was drawn but
The Joker remained in the pack.
Next time Petra!!!!



Die manne van Meyerton kom dra by tot die
dag se feestelike atmosfeer.

We couldn't play at Parys as scheduled, due to the water on the course as a result of river level increases, caused by opening several sluice gates on the Vaal dam. On Sunday a call had to be made whether the course would be playable on Tuesday and an alternative had to be found. Anton pulled his usual rabbit out of the hat and we are thankful to Heron Banks for making arrangements to accommodate us on very short notice. Just shows how relationships can save a day!!!!!!

72 Players competed in a Better Ball competition and all had great fun.



1st on 46 points:
Jooste Coetzee & Butch Lombard



2nd on 44 points c/o:
Hardus Visagie & Chris Louw



3rd on 44 points c/o:
Chris & Julie Horn



4th on 43 points:
Louis Malherbe &
Winnie Cochrane apology



5th on 41 points:
Chris Jansen & Charles Emslie



6th on 40 points c/o:
Hennie Huygen & Toni Syrzysko



7th on 40 points c/o:
Jan Vorster & Sampie v Rooyen apology



8th on 40 points c/o:
Geoff Lass & Conor Cherer



9th on 39 points:
Marinus de Wilde & Koot Fourie



Longest Drives:
Red - Colin Bekker
White - Chris Horn
Pink – Marietjie Emslie
Blue – Hardus Visagie



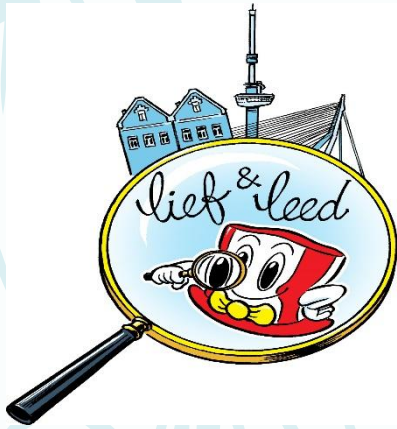
Two Clubs:
Jooste Coetzee, Anton Dicks x 2
Joe Alexandre and Richard Walsh
Hardus with Hole-In-One



Nearest to Pins:
Jan Lategan – 14th
Skroef Schröer – 10th
Anton du Preez – 17th
Anton Dicks – 5th
Hardus Visagie – 3rd Hole-In-One



Lief en Leed



Toelie Swart had open heart surgery to repair the damage and he is recovering at home.

Jacqui Coetzer is recovering from the back surgery she had on 30th October.

Keith Els has not been well for a while and the cause of his illness has been identified, but treatment decisions are still pending. Please keep him in your prayers.

Amanda Boshoff is scheduled for surgery early December. Please let us know if there are other members struggling, and our prayers are for speedy recovery for all.

Bye bye's

Hello

Roelof Berg



Baie welkom Roelof by Vaal Sages

Jy het duidelik geen weerstand gehad teen daai Meyerton-groep nie – hulle het jou sommer vinnig in 'n blik gedruk 😊

Jy gaan dit regtig baie geniet en ek's seker jy gaan nog baie nuwe pelle maak!

Sien jou Dinsdag op Maccauvlei!

Johan Greeff



Welkom, Johan!

Andre van Heerden is duidelik moeg om elke keer saam sy broer se "interessante" gholf te oorleef, so hy het sommer 'n nuwe maat nader getrek.

Geniet dit saam met ons!



Verjaarsdae



Ivor	Jordaan	1	Dec
Sampie	v Rooyen	9	Dec
Johan	Brits	10	Dec
Eddie	Simmonds	11	Dec
Toelie	Swart	13	Dec
Dave	Fourie	16	Dec
Charles	Emslie	25	Dec
Mike	Butler	29	Dec
Volker	Schroer	30	Dec
Joseph	Chaba	3	Jan
Jannie	Schoeman	3	Jan
Koetoe	Botha	7	Jan
Johan	v Niekerk	12	Jan
Richard	Evans	15	Jan
Kobus	De Beer	18	Jan
Chris	Horn	20	Jan
Boyce	Manchu	20	Jan
Winnie	Cochrane	27	Jan

Vaal Sages 2026 Programme

Date 2025	Competition	Venue	Host	Comments
20 Jan	Spike Bootha	Parys	VR	(singles)
10 Feb	Tom Mullen	Maccauvlei	VR	(doubles) AGM
2 & 3 Mar	Club Champs	Heron Banks	VR	
16 - 20 Mar	Nationals	Randpark	JG	
31 Mar	Monthly	Vaal de Grace	VR	
13 & 14 Apr	Regionals	Schoemanpark	CFS	CFS, EFS, NFS,NW, VR
	3 Cnrs			
5 May	Memorial	South Downs	SR	SR,ER, VR
	Charlie v Houten			
19 May		Heron Banks	VR	
20 May	Pentagonal	TBA	JK	JK,VR, ER, WR, JG
	George Potgieter			
2 Jun		Maccauvlei	SR	SR, VR
14 Jul	Monthly	Emfuleni	VR	
18 Aug	Monthly	Meyerton	VR	
1 Sep	Hannes Burke	Parys	VR	VR, NW
22 Sep	Cansa	Heron Banks	VR	
13 Oct	5 Corners	Gold Fields	NW	WR, NW, SR, JG, VR
27 Oct	John Lockley	Vaal de Grace	VR	NFS,VR
3 Nov	Monthly	Emfuleni	VR	
17 Nov	Year End	Maccauvlei	VR	
	Christmas			
1 Dec	Comp	Vaal de Grace	VR	

****Merit list selection because of limited player allocation****

Members missing out on playing currently, due to past illness, injuries, other medical, or family commitments.

Charlie van Houten, Robby Lodetti, Pat Cochrane, Richard Evans, Dave Hoy (Business), Hennie Alberts.

