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From the Editor's desk

The new Sages website is up and running and NMC have requested that we urge you to make use thereof as the contents are interesting and informative. You can access the site by logging in to https://www.sagesseniorgolfers.co.za and sign in by using the following details:

Username: memberlogin
Password: SAGESwebsite@2025

We also encourage you to visit the Vaal Sages Facebook page for the latest information from our branch. See Sages Vaal | Facebook

This month we cover the 5 Corner at Goldfields and the John Lockley at Parys in the competition reports on the next pages.

Before going there, just some further encouragement to make use of the information on the Sages Website:

Dalene and yours truly (the Editor) just came back from an extended trip to the Western Cape. I made use of the Sages Website searching for the branch reports for the Western Cape. Through the reports I have contacted someone on the Boland committee and he kindly included us in their games for the period we were down there. We have played Durbanville and Langebaan as guests with the Boland branch and received invites from some individuals to play with them at their own clubs as member guests. We therefore managed to play at Kuilsrivier also at a significant discount. We also met up with Hugo van Zyl, previously from Vaal, and we had a good time together and had the opportunity to play at the revamped Malmesbury Golf Club. We previously followed same process to contact members at the KZN Coast. I would encourage everyone to make use of the process when holidaying and planning to play golf.

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5 Corners Tounament @ Goldfields on 13th October 2026

'n Wonderlike dag saam met ou en nuwe vriende by Goldfields Gholf Klub. Ons het lekker meegeding, alhoevel die setperke vir sommige van ons 'n behoorlike uitdaging was. (alles breek mos berg se kant toe of is dit nou weg van die berg af).

Vaal eindig 2de uit 5 streke, met slegs 'n paar punte verskil tussen die spanne. Twee van ons beterbal spanne het onder die top 7 geëindig, Trix de Beer & Anne-Marie van Baalen in 'n trotse 3de plek en Dion van Rooyen & Petra van der Merwe in die 7de plek.

Dankie aan almal vir die goeie gees, lekker gholf en 'n gesellige dag. Vaal se spanpoging bly iet om op trots te wees. WAAR IS DIT LEKKER.

Vaal had 30 players in the field of 104 players.

Thanks for the match report Petra.

Goldfields in a great condition

Dion with Daantjie from N West handing him the trophy for the winning Branch. Vaal 2nd, W Rand 3rd S Rand 4th & Jimmy Gowans 5th.

On the right we have Johan Greyling 2nd from the right to collect his NTP Prize.

Anne-Marie and Trix collecting 3rd prize

The 1st two teams, non Vaal, Dirk Coetzee, Steve Roodt, Nic vd Merwe and Jerryn Fourie

Waar is dit lekker: The Vaal team at Goldfields.

John Lockley @ Parys on 27th October 2026

Waar is dit lekker: The Vaal team at Parys

It was our annual inter branch competition with Northern Free State and a great occasion to meet with old friends again. Dit was ‘n wonderlike dag met 88 spelers, waarvan 26 van Noord-Vrystaat was. Die baan was in ‘n puik toestand en daar is lekker met ons ou vriende gekuier.
Vaal het die beker met 93 punte teenoor Noord-Vrystaat se 87 punte gewen. Baie geluk Vaal, en baie dankie Noord Vrystaat vir julle goeie spangees en opoffering om lang ente te reis om te kom deelneem.

Daar was ook ‘n seldsame verskynsel gewees. Twee van ons lede het Arend 2’s aangeteken.

The Vaal welcoming party?

The man with the new shirt
is Gert Nel our latest member.
Welcome to the lekker team Gert

One of Johan’s two clubs was the Eagle 2 he made on the par 4 1st hole.

<u>All the two clubbers</u>:
Johan Ungerer (2)
Robey vd Heever, Etienne Hoeksma, Malcolm Cox, Kobus de Beer and Minaar Mitton.

Nick Grobler failed to claim a two club, but he also had an Eagle 2. His came on the difficult stroke 2 15th hole.

The long drivers:
Butch Lombard from White
Malcolm Cox from Blue
Johan Kruger from Red
Stella von Gericke from Pink

The nearest to PINs:
Jannie Schoeman on 12th
Malcolm Cox on 16th
Jonas Ragetsi on 5th
Trix de Beer on 8th

In 5th Place on 45 pnts C/O
Nick Grobler & Christo Hattingh
Congratulations Nick with your Eagle 2 on the stoke 2, 15th hole

In 4th Place on 45 pnts C/O
Charles Emslie &
Dion van Rooyen

In 3rd Place on 45 pnts C/O
Gert Nel & Rassie Erasmus

In 2nd Place on 46 pnts
Raymond Rampton & Stompie Calitz

The winners with 47 pnts
Francois Engels and Chris Jansen

Pierre Clase handing Dion van Rooyen the "stand-in" trophy for Vaal's win

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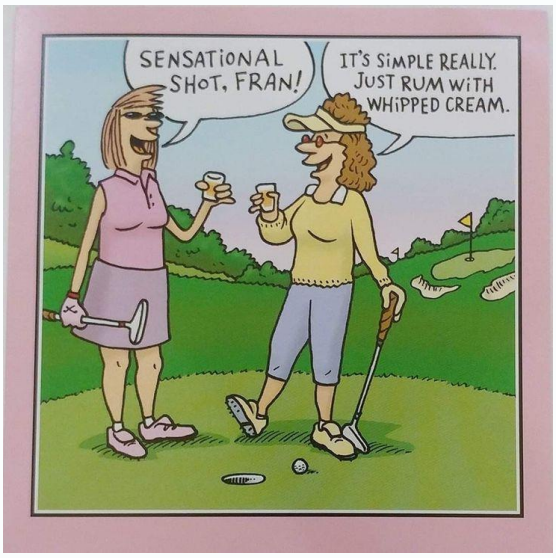

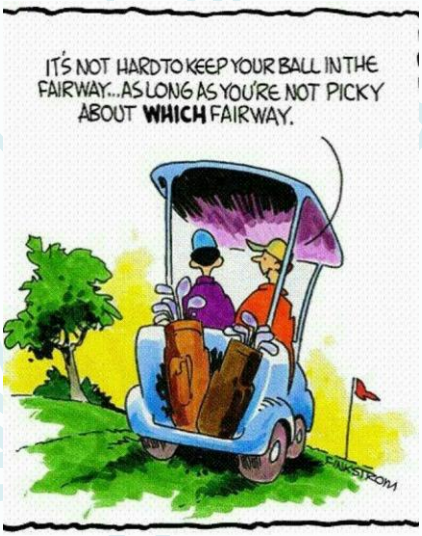

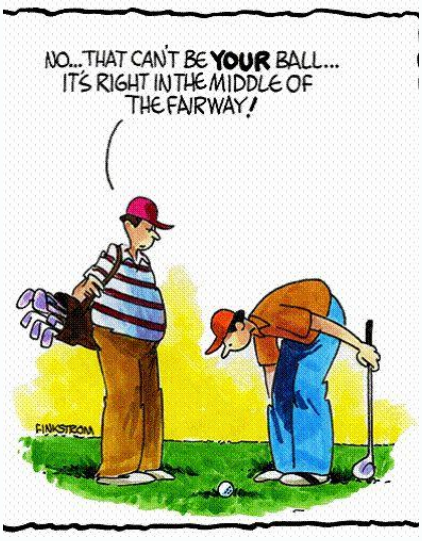

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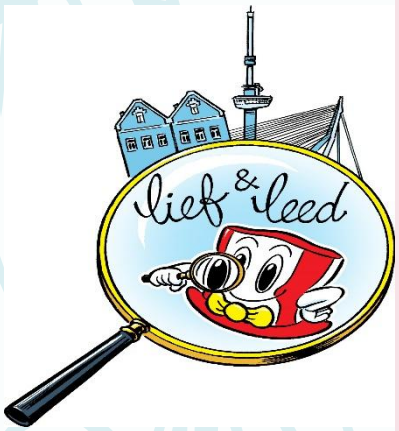

Eddie Simmonds was hospitalised again. This time for a condition that required the insertion of a stint close to his heart.
Kobie Bester had surgery performed on his neck, as well as Derek O'linsky who is much better and will be joining us soon.
Skroef Schröer's wife Annelie, is on a rehab route at home after the stoke she suffered. We pray for her full recovery.
Danie Breytenbach is starting his medical protocols early next month to address his health setback.
Johan Brits also had a knee replacement and he is still climbing the recovery ladder.
Martin Scheepers is recovering from his back surgery, but had a heart condition that required 3 stint implants to clear up the blockages. He is also battling with a lung condition.
Please let us know if you know of any other members struggling with health issues.

Bye bye's

Hello

No new members this month

Verjaarsdae

Derek	O`linsky	2	Nov
Petra	vd Merwe	2	Nov
Francois	Fourie	3	Nov
Robbie	Heydenrych	9	Nov
Steve	Chowles	11	Nov
Elizabeth	Fourie	17	Nov
Ivor	Jordaan	1	Dec
Sylvia	Van Niekerk	2	Dec
Sampie	van Rooyen	9	Dec
Johan	Brits	10	Dec
Eddie	Simmonds	11	Dec
Toelie	Swart	13	Dec
Dave	Fourie	16	Dec
David	Cloete	20	Dec
Charles	Emslie	25	Dec
Mike	Butler	29	Dec
Volker	Schroer	30	Dec

UPcoming EVENTS

Vaal Sages 2026 Programme

Date 2025	Competition	Venue	Host	Comments
20 Jan	Spike Bootha	Parys	VR	(singles)
10 Feb	Tom Mullen	Heron Banks	VR	(doubles) AGM
2 & 3 Mar	Club Champs	Maccauvlei	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
5 May	3 Cnrs Memorial	South Downs	SR	SR,ER, VR
19 May	Charlie v Houten	Heron Banks	VR	
18 May	Pentagonal	Waterkloof	JK	JK,VR, ER, WR, JG
2 Jun	George Potgieter	Maccauvlei	SR	SR, VR
14 Jul	Monthly	Emfuleni	VR	
18 Aug	Monthly	Meyerton	VR	
1 Sep	Hannes Burke	Vaal de Grace	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	Parys	VR	NFS,VR
3 Nov	Monthly	Emfuleni	VR	
17 Nov	Year End	Maccauvlei	VR	
1 Dec	Christmas 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, Pat Cochrane, and Richard Evans