



S A G D B

south african golf development board

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2016 DEVELOPMENT REPORT

In the Southern Cape, we are involved in coaching lessons at the following venues:

- Heidelberg (2 schools), with Johan Erasmus the coach
- Melkhoutfontein/Stilbaai (2 schools) with Johan Erasmus the coach
- Riversdale (5 schools), our coach there is Vernon Appollis.
- George (5 schools), with Johan Erasmus the coach.
- Mossel Bay (3 schools), where we work with the Louis Oosthuisen Academy and their coaches Val Holland and Nicole Loesch who do the coaching on our behalf.
- Beaufort West (2 schools), with Weber Scheun doing the coaching.
- Plettenberg Bay Country Club is running their own program with the local Pro Cliff Barnard doing the coaching. We have supported them with equipment (clubs and practise balls) and will continue to do so when we have the means.

We are also working together with various other Academies in the Southern Cape. By supporting the players in these academies, they remain part of our structure while also being supported by the Academy itself.

At the Louis Oosthuisen Academy we support the following players: Kass Muller, Neavan Manie and Rhyan Joseph and Mujahid Jacobs (Mossel Bay). We support them with tournament fees, transport, refreshments, and membership at clubs. In the meantime, the LOA assist us by providing the coaching on a weekly basis.

Franklin Manchest who is studying at Kenako Golf and Sports Academy, we support him with tournament fees at National Tournaments as well as membership at George GC while Kenako is providing the coaching and his schooling.

We have had several successes for the year with the following players making Junior as well as senior Provincial teams:

1. Franklin Manchest
SC U19 IPT
SC Men's IPT Team
SC Junior Match Play Champ
8th SAGA NOOM
2. Jan Human
SC U14 Worcester Invitational
3. Wafiq Philander
SC U13 IPT
4. Mujahid Jacobs
SC U14 Worcester Invitational

5. Byron Goliath
SC U19 Heptangular

6. Beavan Stephanus
SC U19 Heptangular

For the past 3-6 years, we are fortunate to have a strong “senior group” of players coming through. However, we realised a while ago that we needed to start getting younger players in to fill the gap that these players will leave in the program when they graduate and move out of our program. We have identified a group of 10 – 13-year-old players and have been hard at work preparing them and putting extra effort into their development. These players are starting to come through and we are slowly starting to see the results with these players. We looked at what we can do to fast track the progress of these players as we want to shorten the time it takes to develop the players to be competitive on a provincial level (progression rate). We have identified some areas where we can improve but this is now our focus and we will be constantly looking to make our program as strong as possible. We also realise that we must continue to work on building the strong relationships with all the role players in our Union (Academies, SCGU and the Clubs) as this will ensure that our program goes from strength to strength.

We will again be competing in the 2nd Annual SAGDB/Nomads/Imperial Auto/MFC Golf Challenge which will be held at the Wanderers GC in Johannesburg from 4-6 December. This event has been made possible by the generous contribution and donation of the NOMADS. At this tournament, all 14 SAGDB Provinces compete against each other with a team of 6 players over 3 days. The SC SAGDB team consists of 3 players from Riversdale GC (Keeno Hendricks, Byron Goliath and Nathan Julies, and 3 from George GC Franklin Manchest, Wafiq Philander and Shane van Rensburg). Last year we finished 7th and we are looking at doing better this year.

As this year is ending, we would like to thank everybody in the Southern Cape Golf fraternity for their continued support of the SC SAGDB program. Please know that we (coaches and especially the players) appreciate your support and help.

We wish everybody a Prosperous and Happy Festive season with their families and loved ones.

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