

Manager's Newsletter – September 2024

Introduction

As the chilly season comes to an end, I want to extend my gratitude to everyone for your unwavering support through this tough winter. With summer just around the corner, we're gearing up to welcome back our friends from abroad. We're happy to have them return and wish them all safe travels!

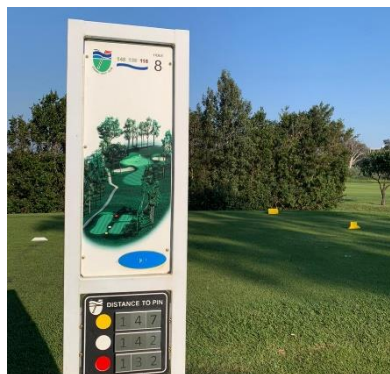
Rounds & Weather

This winter brought more challenges than we expected. Our course took quite a hit from the heavy rains, even more so than last year. Sadly, the course was unplayable for over 25 days, and golf carts were off-limits for over a month. We shared in your frustration as the clubhouse grew quieter and the greens empty. Below, you'll find this year's round counts compared to 2023 – it's clear that July wasn't kind to us!

	Anticipated rounds	2023	2024
May	3000	2472	3036.5
June	2500	1579.5	2780
July	2500	2679	971.5
August	2500	2680	1647.5
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Improvements

You may have noticed our new tee box markers! These sleek markers use the same fusion core technology as our new distance-to-pin markers, thanks to a generous member who truly believes in the club's potential. We're aiming to refresh the look of the entire course, and the red markers will arrive in the next few weeks. A big thank you to our anonymous supporter! And as always, we encourage you to get involved with the club and be part of its evolution.



Green fees for 2024/25

Our annual green fees increase will take effect on 1 October 2024. While price changes are never fun, they are essential for the continued success of our great club. Please see the new rates below.

Green Fees 2024/25		
Members		
	18	9
Full	R270.00	R160.00
Student	R220.00	R120.00
Junior	R -	R -
Golf Carts	R320.00	R190.00
Visitor		
	18	9
Non-Affiliated	R750.00	R450.00
Visitor	R490.00	R290.00
Member Guest	R390.00	R235.00
Student	R240.00	R150.00
Junior	R150.00	R 90.00
Monday Pensioners	R330.00	R200.00
Twilight Special	-	R200.00
STO Rate	R500.00	R300.00
Golf Carts	R450.00	R300.00

New Security Booms

If you've visited recently, you may have noticed our new security booms at the entrance. This state-of-the-art system, designed by ZK-Teco, uses number plate recognition to enhance safety and better control access to our premises. On your next visit, we'll ask for your registration number to ensure a smooth entry process.



Please note you will be asked for your Registration number upon your next visit.

Meet Our Fearless Friends

You might have seen some new faces around the clubhouse! Pro V and Strepe, our emotional support employees, are here to keep the unwanted critters away and provide a bit of fun.

- **Pro V** is a gentle giant, well-mannered, and loves cozy spots. He enjoys a bit of play and might nibble your hand if you're not quick enough!
- **Strepe** is the wild one, keeping a watchful eye on the clubhouse at night.

Both have become cherished members of our club family. Donations are welcome as we plan to get them dewormed and ensure they receive all necessary shots.



ProV



Strepe

Communication

Join our new WhatsApp Line.

Please SAVE the following number to your phone and send a WhatsApp message to this number with your Name and Surname in the body of the text. Only once we receive your message, we will be able to register you on the WhatsApp line.

We will need your help with the setup, to comply with the POPIA regulations.

Strand Golf Club (WhatsApp Number) 079 529 7527

What are we going to use it for?

1. We will be broadcasting in time information about the Golf Club. Weather Conditions, if carts are allowed after rain, Special events, Course updates and any other news that affects the members.
2. You will be added to our WhatsApp Group, "Captains Corner" where all this information will be shared.
3. This group will only be used for Club communications. Members will not be able to send texts or interact on this group as it will only be the club captain and myself who can send communications on this group.
4. Messages and information will always be shared professionally.

Conclusion

Thank you all for your continued support. Together, we're making our club better every day. Here's to a fantastic season ahead!

Kind regards



Elmo Barnard
General Manager