



Western Province Golf Newsletter

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WP WINS 72 HOLE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS AFTER 18 YEAR DROUGHT



The annual 72-hole Championships took place at Kingswood Golf Estate this past week. With players from all over the country representing their provinces with pride and flying their flags high.

Our A-Team ended an 18-year drought for Western Province golf with their runaway victory over Gauteng A in the Swiss Team Trophy Division.

The trio, consisting of Kaylah Williams, Isabella Van Rooyen & Bobbi Brown, posted rounds of 142, 146, 137 & 136 to triumph by 17 shots on 561!

Our B-Team finished T3 with Gauteng North A on 18 over with the "Futures"- Team finishing third in the Challenge Trophy.

Isabella Van Rooyen was also awarded with the Jakarta Governor Trophy in the Individual Competition recorded rounds of 69-74-70-71.

A big thank you both our Team Managers, Hayley Davis & Gwen Baumgart, who accompanied the WP players to George and who did an exceptional job at driving the team spirit amongst the girls/ladies and for keeping them safe.



UPCOMING MEETINGS & FIXTURES

08 June 2021 – Annual General Meeting (Virtual)

20 June 2021 – PAT Bellville Open

25 June 2021 – WP Senior Series Westlake

For all the Fixtures please visit our website:

www.westernprovincegolf.co.za

DOUBLE DELIGHT FOR WESTERN PROVINCE SENIORS AT THIS YEARS SENIOR IPT HELD AT STELLENBOSCH



The Western Province Senior force produced an extraordinary effort on the final day of the **2021 SA Senior A-Division Inter-Provincial** to power their way to double victory at **Stellenbosch Golf Club** on Friday.

SENIORS

Western Province had gunned to the top of the log on 10 points with two convincing 7 – 1 wins on the third day of this year's tournament and

the eight-strong squad dug even deeper to come up trumps in an intense final round.

Central Gauteng – targeting their fifth successive title – was in second with 9 points and, on paper, the team to beat, but it was Gauteng North that delivered the stunning blows in their three-way clash.

The side came out guns blazing, routing Central 5.5 – 2.5 and beating Western Province 5 – 3.

“We expected a proper battle with Central Gauteng, but the Daisies saved their best for the final day, and really turned up the pressure,” said Western Province manager Mike de Swardt. “We had our backs to the wall all day, but the way our boys stood up and grinded out the win was a true testament to our team spirit and their never-say-die attitude.”

Ralph Fransman and Jonathan Bernard – playing at No. 8 and No. 7 respectively – banked the first crucial wins for Western Province against both opponents.

Fransman shot 69 to beat Jock Wellington from Central by seven strokes and he bagged another games point against Michael Cullen from Gauteng North, while Bernard carded 73 to edge Schalk Naude from Central and Gauteng North's Maartin Boshoff.

Mark Louw lost both his games, but Craig Poulton at No. 5 produced a 75 to beat Sean Quigly by one shot, taking his team's tally to 3 – 1 against Central Gauteng.

Needing just one more win to force a draw with the defending champions, the man who produced the game-changing wins was reigning WP Senior Masters champion Greg Woodbridge.

Playing at No 4, the Atlantic Beach Links senior fired a 66 that bested Gerhard Strydom from Gauteng North's 70 by four shots. Woodbridge also beat Neil Homann by five strokes to force a draw.

“It was a really intense final round, so to walk off the course the 2021 champions mean the world to all of us,” De Swardt said.

“I could not be prouder of the guys. We selected these guys two years ago for the 2020 IPT that was cancelled due to Covid-19. They all put a tremendous effort into their preparation for this week and they really left it all out there.

2021 SA Senior A-Division IPT Super Seniors Champions



SUPER SENIORS

Having started on the final day in second on 6 points and trailing Central Gauteng by 2, Western Province's Henry Trevena (69), Brian Mampies (72), Herman September (75) and Richard Brooker (75) produced a supreme effort to crush Central Gauteng and KwaZulu-Natal's title attempts.

The quartet scored 8 points to win by 1, demoting Central Gauteng to second on 7 points

and 10 games points after the side drew 2-all draw against KwaZulu-Natal.

"It was a must win situation for our guys and they really stood up to the counted," said De Swart. "Brian Mampies used to be one of our WP Senior side anchors and he made a great debut for the team, shooting two-under 70 to beat Southern Cape's number one Bertus Smit on day one and setting the tone for the week.

"Our captain Henry, Herman and Richard were solid bankers, as always, with Henry shooting a superb 69 on the final day to seal the deal. It was a tremendous team effort to pull this through and the guys were absolute credit to the union.

"I would also like to commend Rashaad van Niekerk on doing a tremendous job handling the team in his first appearance as a team manager."

WESTERN PROVINCE JUNIORS TRIUMPH IN TRIANGULAR



The annual Triangular was played this year at the scenic Robertson Golf Club. The host union, Boland, Southern Cape and Western Province compete against each other in the various age groups. The event was played in perfect golfing conditions.

The event goes back many years, being originally known as the Riversdale Triangular and being played at the 9 hole Riversdale Golf Club. The original format was Ryder Cup style

(Betterball, Foursomes and Singles) but due to Covid, the event this year was played as 9 hole individual match play (over 5 rounds). In addition, the U13 age group was added this year.

Western Province proved the strongest with the final accumulated scores being:
WP (134) BL (118.5) SC (107.5).

This is the 3rd successive year that Western Province has won the overall event, after the move to Robertson Golf Club – no event was played in 2020.

WESTERN PROVINCE WOMEN'S AMATEUR & JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS



WP Women's Amateur & Junior Championships held at Steenberg from the 11th April 2021 to the 13th April 2021. We had an astounding turn out of entries this year of 111 players. Round one kicked off with a 36-hole shotgun start for our Championship and Silver Division players with the Bronze Division only playing 18 holes.

Bobbi Brown from Steenberg Golf Estate did a double whammy and was crowned the 2021 WP Women's Amateur Stroke Play champion as well as Junior Champion on a fantastic score of 141. Winning the Silver division was Gia Raad, from Country Club Johannesburg, on a score of 170 over 36 holes. Crowned our Bronze Champion for 2021 was Theresa Giurichich from Steenberg Golf Estate on a score of 96.

Winners for the Match Play were as follows:

Championship Division:

Kera Healey **beat** Megan Streicher - 1 up.

Flight Division:

Chloe Valkin **beat** Jasmine Furstenburg – 1 up.

Silver Division:

Nives Schabort **beat** Ashley Huysamen – 19th.

Bronze Division:

Zayaan Hendricks **beat** Deidre Venter – 2&1.



WESTERN PROVINCE MEN'S AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS



The WP Men's Amateur Championships was held at King David Mowbray this year with 144 players competing for the Stroke Play title.

Martin Vorster from Pinnacle Point and Samuel Simpson from Royal Cape Golf Club, both finished on 11 under par, 277. This meant a playoff for first place. Martin Vorster beat Samuel Simpson on the 19th hole which saw Martin Vorster raise the 2021 WP Amateur Stroke Play trophy.

This meant an early start for Martin on Thursday morning teeing off at the crack of dawn for round 1 of the match play. Thanks to the support of Martin's parents and his sheer will to complete a double slammer, Martin was crowned the 2021 WP Amateur match Play Champion as well.

ISABELLA VAN ROOYEN LANDS BREAKTHROUGH WIN AT NOMADS ROSE BOWL



Isabella van Rooyen closed out victory in the **Nomads SA Girl's Rose Bowl Championship** to secure her first national title and open the door to a new chapter in her young career.

The 18-year-old Clovelly junior cruised to a two-stroke victory at **Durbanville Golf Club**, resisting the pressure from the chasing pack with a mature and consistent final round performance to close with a one-under-par 71 and finish the week victorious on five-under 211. Van Rooyen was inducted into the GolfRSA B-Squad earlier this

year and winning one of two crown jewel junior events on the national circuit meant much more than just bagging her first big title.

"I knew that my selection to the squad was based on performance, but to be honest, I felt under pressure to prove that I was worthy of the honour," she said. "Now I feel like I can stand proud, because I've shown everyone that I am deserving of the spot.

"I'm surprisingly calm, given that I really felt the pressure down the stretch. I thought I would be completely exhausted. That's probably going to come later, because right now I just feel joy about this achievement.

"From the moment you tee it up in your first Nomads SA Girls tournament you want to win one. For me it was my first Rose Bowl at Royal Cape three years ago. I tied for 25th that year and in every SA Girls after I improved. To stand here now holding the trophy means the world to me. This is going to inspire me in the biggest way to keep raising my game and my goals."

Van Rooyen opened with a level par round of 72 to stake an early claim in the top five.

GREG WOODBRIDGE DOUBLE (WP SENIOR OPEN & WP SENIOR MASTERS)



Greg Woodbridge, Atlantic Beach, started the year rocking a double whammy, winning the **WP Senior Open** held at Durbanville on 143 a clear 3 shots over Dirk Van Der Merwe, Kuilsriver Golf Club, on 146. He followed up this win with the **WP Senior Master's Title**, at Royal Cape Golf Club, with a winning score of 143.

Greg is currently ranked at number two in WP and is ranked as SA's number one Senior player.

SILVER & BRONZE CUP AT DURBANVILLE GOLF CLUB

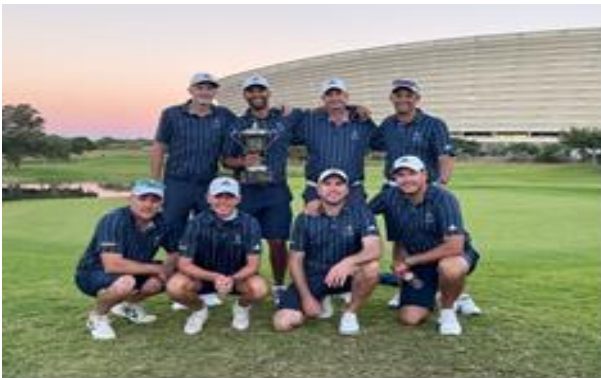
The **Silver & Bronze Cups** took place in February at Durbanville Golf Club. The Silver Cup was won by Tessa Granger, member of Westlake Golf Club, on a nett of 70 with her fellow member Gail Thane as runner up on nett 71. Florence Harding from Durbanville Golf Club won the Bronze cup on an outstanding 67 nett with Ursula Sa Couto taking the runner up spot on a 69nett.

LEAGUES | MID-AMATEUR & MASTERS

Men's League Finals – Results:

Congratulations to Westlake Golf Club and King David Mowbray Golf Club on their well-deserved victories in the Mid-Amateur and Masters League Finals, held at Metropolitan Golf Club.

Westlake convincingly beat King David Mowbray 5.5 - 2.5 in the Mid-Am Final, while King David Mowbray saw off Milnerton 3-1 in the Masters Final.



POPI ACT

As of 1 June 2021, the POPI Act is in effect, so we urge all our players and affiliates to read their terms of competition as this will be included when entering all tournaments and leagues moving forward.

OFFICE RESTRUCTURE

WPG has undergone a slight change in structure and personnel recently. Robert Larsen's portfolio has changed a bit and he is now the General Manager of Golf Operations.

Michele Kern is the General Manager of Finance and Administration.

Rashaad Van Niekerk is the Assistant Golf Administrator.

From a personnel perspective, we warmly welcome Emelia Brown onto the staff as our new Golf Administrator. She replaces Deborah Martin. Emelia was thrown immediately into the deep end with the WP Amateur, and has subsequently shown how excellent and competent she is.

This "new" structure and portfolio changes we believe, will continue to help us to provide our clubs with the best service from an office, administrative and tournament perspective.

2021 Executive Committee

Following the AGM from 8 June 2021, the following persons will stand on the WP Golf Executive committee.

President:	Mike de Swardt [Milnerton Golf Club]	Current Member and nominated by Milnerton GC
Vice President (Men):	Paul Slater [KD Mowbray Golf Club]	Current Member and nominated by KD Mowbray GC
Vice President (Women):	Erica Lefson [Rondebosch Golf Club]	Current Member and nominated by Rondebosch Golf Club
Treasurer:	Chris Wilson [Milnerton Golf Club]	Current Member and nominated by Milnerton Golf Club
Executive Members:		
	1. Hayley Davis [Royal Cape Golf Club]	Current Member and nominated by Royal Cape Golf Club
	2. June Watson [KD Mowbray Golf Club]	Current Member and nominated by KD Mowbray GC
	3. Florence Harding [Durbanville Golf Club]	Current Member and nominated by Durbanville Golf Club
	4. Richard Nell [Milnerton Golf Club]	Current Member and nominated by Milnerton Golf Club
	5. Ismail Adams [Cape Peninsula Golf Club]	Current Member and nominated by Cape Peninsula Golf Club
	6. Nigel Pillay [Atlantic Beach Links]	Current Member and nominated by Atlantic Beach Links
	7. Gwen Baumgart [Parow Golf Club]	Current Member and nominated by Parow Golf Club
	8. Trevor Steensma [KD Mowbray Golf Club]	New Member and nominated by King David Mowbray Golf Club

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