# CENTURION COUNTRY CLUB NEWSLETTER

# FROM OUR GENERAL MANAGER

# Gavin Woodroffe

## Dear Members and Residents,

As the summer rains are becoming more and more frequent, the greater the chance of flooding of our course.

With the recent rains, we are pleased to communicate that the berm on the 7th hole, has held up well to the first test. In the past debris would make its way down the cart path from the tee box and jump the river banks at the 150-metre marker, and in this current rainfall, both areas have managed to contain the water to the river.

We have experienced overflow on holes 1, 15, 16 and 17, with debris, and the team were out early in the morning starting with the cleanup operation.

#### **Members Strategic Survey**

We would like to thank you, everyone, for taking the time to complete the Centurion Country Club Strategic Survey it was greatly appreciated and the input and information we have received from you are invaluable for creating a master plan for our Club.

A total of 313 members completed the survey, and as per the previous survey we have had an encouraging mix of members and residents, which gives us an all-around perspective for the strategic plan.

We as the Management Committee are currently working through the information and will provide feedback as soon as possible.



#### **Members Discount**

It has been two weeks since we launched the member discount, and even though the uptake has been slower than estimated, we encourage all members to make use of this facility.

A reminder that the members discount is 5% on Food & Beverage when you use your club's spending account, within the restaurant and halfway house. Unfortunately, the discount won't apply for specials i.e., current pizza evening or functions.

Social members will also be legible for the discount, and this will be done through their social account, which they can open and obtain their card at the Reception from Monday – Friday during 08h00 – 17h00.

Please take note that the minimum top of your account is R1000 per transaction, and members will be able to link their spending account for family purposes.

To top up your account this can be done via our waiters or pro-shop and this will be done automatically, or you can eft and the finance team will allocate once the daily recon has been concluded.

# MEMBERS AND RESIDENTS FOOD & BEVERAGE DISCOUNT!





**INSTANT 5% DISCOUNT** on food and beverage purchased from the halfway house, bar and patio when making use of your preloaded handicap or social membership card. All top ups require a minimum of a R1000.

Excludes: Functions, Shop @ 19th, Take away deliveries, Conferences, Tobacco and all food and beverage specials and promotions. T&C's apply.

Residents can apply for Social Membership cards at Centurion Country Club reception

#### **Speed Humps**

We recently installed speed humps in front of the clubhouse, due to the number of people and children that make use of the facility with golfers making their way to the golf course, we needed to ensure we have taken every precaution to ensure the safety of all members, and guests.

#### **F&B** Structure

With Alfred Devlin's resignation, we have some operational restructuring of the Food & Beverage Department, in particular concerning our Duty Managers. I am pleased to confirm that both Arthur Maluleke and Rory Dinkelman who were Senior Duty Managers have taken on additional responsibilities, and with a shift, they will in their capacity as Assistant F&B Managers, be responsible for Banqueting/Halfway House and Restaurant respectively. They have embraced their additional responsibilities and I thank you for all of your support towards this exciting time within the F&B Team. We have been recruiting for a new F&B Manager and we will make the announcement as soon as possible.

## **General Feedback**

Feedback for the operation is vital for us to keep improving as well as to recognize staff have exceeded expectations in service delivery.

To improve this we have created a QR Code which will be displayed throughout the Club, and I encourage all members to please feel free to provide your feedback. The feedback will be automatically distributed to Department Heads, and they will be attended to immediately.

Scan the QR code below to provide your insights.



# FROM OUR HEAD PROFESSIONAL

# Jannes Sik

# Gerhard Pepler Wins the Altron Big Easy Tour Play Off Tournament.

During the week of 3rd - 6th October, Centurion CC played host to the Altron Big Easy Tour Play Off Tournament. With the top up and coming golfer in the country battling it out to secure their tour cards for next season on the Sunshine Tour, only the top fifty of the order of merit managed to qualify for the event at Centurion CC. Gerhard Pepler claimed a come-from-behind victory, thanks to his final round of five-under 67 in the final round. In the final round Pepler got to a tournament total of 10-under, a stroke clear of second-placed Jonathan Waschefort. All the players were impressed about the condition of our course. Congratulation to Mark vd Linde our Greenkeeper and his team for presenting the course in such manner.





#### Par 3 Sundowner Fun

Tuesday 11 October, we hosted the monthly Par 3 Sundowner Challenge. Another very successful event took place with more than 50 players taking part in the day. With longer and hotter days this is truly a magnificent way to end off once Tuesday afternoon. Make sure you do not miss out on the last Par 3 Sundowner of 2022 which will take place on the 8th of November. Congratulations to our youngest winner of this event Luke Wickens scoring 19 points and in doing so winning his very first of many club events. Well done Luke!



#### An Electrifying partnership

Keeping you safe on the Golf Course this Summer. With the Highveld Stormy season fast approaching I am glad to report back that we have partnered with Blitz Detect this summer. Blitz Detect is the number 1 early warning lightning system in the market trusted by all the leading golf courses as well as the Sunshine Tour. The system is designed for early notification of lightning strikes as well as the return after storms keeping you out of harm's way.





## Centurion CC juniors defending their home turf

On Sunday afternoon the 16th of October, Centurion CC hosted the GNGU juniors. The quality of the golf on this day was world class. The Centurion juniors did particularly well on this day, Charl Barnard claimed the champion of the day title after carding a great score of 69, 3 under par and Triston Fichardt managed to win the best nett in the A-Division. Jacques Olivier won the U/13 division and Lourenda Steyn won the girl's section.

Well done to all of you we are super proud!





## Mixing it up - 3 Jacks and a Jill

On Sunday 16th October, we hosted the Annual Mixed 3 Jacks and a Jill Competition. All the players arrived on the day in high spirit. It was great to see all the familiar faces and some new faces taken part in this event.

The format for the day was a Four ball Alliance two score to count and one on the Par 3's. With each team consisting of three men and one lady. Congratulations to the winners of the day W Loots, D Bekker, M Kingsley and C van Wyk making 90 points on the day!

# Taking on the challenge on the 3rd hole

Pro Shop team member Dwayne, Challenged all the players during Saturday mornings round. The task was simple, pay R300-, hit the green and walk away with a brand-new shirt valued at R1199- Thank you to all the members for taking part and congratulation to those who managed to win a shirt.



## New Stock Just arrived

Make sure you don't miss a beat this Summer with the latest golfing fashion. We've just unpacked some new summer stock to help you upgrade your golfing style! Don't wait for better days, the best ones are already here. Be sure to pop by the shop and get your hands on these amazing items.



## Battling it out - Battle of the Saturday schools

Saturday 22nd October, two of the clubs oldest Saturday Schools namely the Super 8's and Super Studs battled it out to see who will have this years bragging rights. Each team consisted of 12 players and the format was a Better Ball Stableford. The Super 8's dominated the day and managed to beat the Super Studs in 5 of the 6 games. It was great to see the comradery between the groups and members.



# Keagan Crosbie making the GNGU Team

It gives us great pleasure to announce that Keagan Crosbie has been selected to represent GNGU at the Junior IPT to be played at Mbonbela Golf Club from 12-16 December. Good luck to him and the team we know you will do us proud.



## **Superhero Ladies Open Fun**

Thursday 28th October, the ladies hosted the Annual Ladies Open. With this year's theme being Superhero's the Pro Shop team took full advantage to have a little fun with the ladies. Even though the weather didn't exactly play its part with the day only being played over 9 holes. This didn't damper the spirit of the ladies as they went all out with the theme. Congratulations to the Ladies Committee putting up an awesome event and one that all lady members can be proud of. Days like these will not be possible without sponsors, thanks to: STBB, Lew Geffen Sotheby's International Realty (Lisa Kelly), Sealy, ThirtySix, BP Irene, Arrie Nel Irene and iHappifyFibre.

## Congratulations to all the winners of the day:

1st: TJ Gouws, Letitia Steynberg - 23 pts
2nd: Rene Seidel, Elize Shultz - 21 pts C/O
3rd: Ella Cole, Debra Arroyo - 21pts
4th: Linda Place, Beryl Hiesterman - 20pts C/O
5th: Marinella Buscaglia, Pat Anderson - 20pts C/O
6th: T Nicholas, L van der Merwe - 20pts
7th: Charmaine Engelbrecht,
Angelique van Bemmel - 19pts C/O
8th: Storm Berry, Gina da Silva - 19pts
9th: Jaqueline Beukes, Dalene Smith - 18 pts C/O
10th: Bev Mulligan, Karen Robinson - 18pts C/O



# N O V E M B E R 2022

## 2022 Corporate Challenge Final

This past weekend the Corporate Challenge was hosted at Graceland Hotel Casino & Country Club.

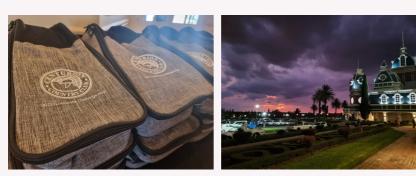
Congratulations go to the winning team from Halewood!

We would like to extend our thanks to our participants from the CCC committee, as well as our corporate members who participated in our annual challenge and who continue to support Centurion Country Club.

Congratulations to all the winners: 1st: Halewood 2nd: Smartlock 3rd: Sephaku

Thanks to all our sponsors: BP Irene, Arrie Nel Irene, Sealy, Callaway, Elements Private Golf Reserve & Phelan Golf Academy.

We look forward to the 2023 challenge!







# FROM OUR GREENKEEPER

# Mark van der Linde

The start of summer has seen some excessively high temperatures which persisted through the Big Easy tournament but our preparations on the greens paid off as we didn't see any major stress.

Our biggest challenge however has been the quality of the water coming out of the dam. As the water levels have dropped the issues have become more prevalent with our irrigations pumps sucking in all sorts of debris including plastics from the times the river has flooded into the dam. Algae is also a major concern as it clogs the filters and the sprinklers causing us pressure and coverage issues on the course.

We have been consulting with various companies to come up with a solution to help with the health of our dam and hopefully they can assist. While the rains will help with diluting the problem the underlying issues need attention.

Happy golfing from the team.











# **PHELAN GOLF ACADEMY**

# Kyle Phelan and Marna Coetzee

How important is hydration and diet during a golf round?

Summer is here and what better way to spend the days than on the golf course.

You have practiced the whole winter and you have all your basics in check and ready to get your summer handicap down and enjoy the golf games.

The question is how I can play great the first nine hole and then just seem to lose my swing toward the end of the round... how I can keep a consistent swing throughout the round and have a consistent score over two nines.

The answer is hydration and nutrition before and during your round.

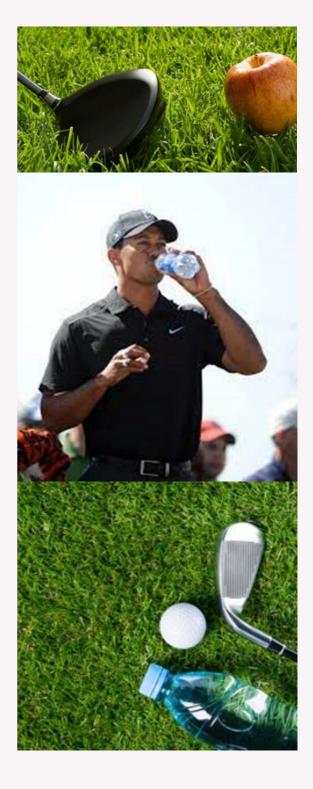
Golf is not about just swing prep but also physical prep, when you look at the pros, they are all constantly snacking on peanut, bananas, drinking sips of water right through their rounds, it's not just a cigarette and coke during halfway anymore.

So, ask yourself are you providing your body with the correct fuel before and during your round or are you depriving your body from the necessary nutrition it will need during your round.

In an article posted on the GRAA Webpage on the 16 Jun 2022 the author Vinnie Manginellli, PGA. Explains so well how important fueling your body before during and after a golf round is for all players.

Here is the webpage that I am referring to https://golfrange.org/proper-hydration-and-diet-before-duringand-after-your-round/

If you are still struggling to put two nines together and you are fueling your body correctly, come see us on the range for some swing assistance or even course management advice.



# WHAT'S HAPPENING NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

# November:

4-6: Corporate Challenge Final
08: Sundowner Par 3 Challenge
12: Sikkels Golf Day
18: Captains Invitational
21: Course Closed
26: Adam vs Eve
27: CCC Mixed Open

# **December:**

05: Course and Club Closed
19 - 23: Kids Holiday Club
24: Christmas Eve Dinner
25: Course and Club Closed
31: New Years Eve Party





#### **STARTERS**

Sausage rolls Samosas Creamy New Zealand Green Back Mussels Chicken Liver Pate with Melba toast Prawn cocktail

#### MAINS

Mustard Crusted Sirloin Rolled Belly in fused with feta and peppadew Osso Bucco Roast Potatoes Savoury Rice Creamed Spinach Roasted Butternut Mediterranean Vegetables Corn Fritters

#### SALADS

Medley off salad Potato salad Pasta and peach Salad Beetroot and apple salad Pineapple Cucumber and Jalapeño Salad Copper penny salad Assorted bread rolls with Butter

#### DESSERTS

Ice Cream Chocolate Sauce Fruit Pavlova Malva pudding and Custard Lemon Meringues' Manhattan Cheese Cake Fresh Fruit Salad Peppermint Crisp Tart



# 13 November 12:00am - 15:30pm

Adults: R250 Children under 12: R125 \*Live music



To book a table contact: 012 665 9609 functions@centurioncountryclub.co.za

# MIXED OPEN 27 NOV 2022





# **Celebrating our country!**

# Tee times: Morning field

Format: Betterball stableford. Official handicaps only. Competition fee includes: Goodie bag, prizes & prize giving lunch. Excludes golf cart.



# Book with the Pro Shop on 012 665 9602

# BUFFET MENU

Venison Terrine with Prunes orange and thyme Prawn chorizo and Gazpacho Shots Assorted Sushi

#### Main Course

Mustard Crusted Sirloin served with Yorkshire pudding and a Chipolata gravy Honey Glazed Roast Gammon Rolled turkey with Cranberry sauce and a Herb stuffing Mutton Curry Roast Potatoes Savoury Rice Creamed Spinach Roasted Butternut Mediterranean Vegetables

#### Salad

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#### Dessert

Ice Cream Chocolate Sauce Fruit Pavlova Christmas pudding and Custard Lemon Meringues Fresh Fruit Salad Mince pies

# CHRISTMAS EVE DINNER

# 24 DEC 2022

Time: 18h00 Where: Clubhouse - Main Function Hall Adults: R375 Kids aged 6 - 12 half price and kids under 6 for free Includes: Welcome drink, Buffet and Christmas Crackers

Bookings: functions@centurioncountryclub.co.za or 012 665 9609 Full prepayment required Bookings close 20 December 2022

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