

From :- Larry Macartney
(Club Manager)

As the saying goes “all good things must come to an end” so the afternoon nap I have enjoyed for the past almost four weeks is now a thing of the past. Actually, it is good to be back after my operation, even though I am a bit of a slow coach with my leg in plaster.

It was really encouraging to receive so many calls with well wishes from my friends at “Reading”, so to all of you who picked up the phone, I say a warm “Thank You”. It is nice to know that I was missed.

There are two of our Members who are in need of your prayers at this time. George Robertson is convalescing after an operation, and Emille Kilian is in hospital undergoing investigative surgery for a lung condition, so please keep these two friends in your thoughts. We wish them both a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing them both back at the Club in the very near future.

Last Sunday we hosted the Nomads National Under 23 Golf Championships - which went off very successfully. We received unanimous support for an excellently presented Golf Course, which proved to be a real test to these big hitting youngsters, as is borne out by the fact that the winning score - over 36 Holes - was a scant two under par. In fact, the only player in a field of 78 who was under par, was the winner, so it just proves that “Reading” - off the back tee’s, is no walk in the park !!! We had four Members competing, all of which finished in the top 50, with Jonathan Pinnell coming in at joint 25.

Well done to our Greenkeeper, Rob, and his team for presenting the course in such excellent condition.

What would we do without the generosity of our Members ?? Once again, we called for help and immediately Hennie Breed answered the call, and within a day or two the Snooker Room was transformed with his wall coatings covering the unsightly brick walls. This has brightened the room dramatically and together with the new pool table, and soon to be erected dart boards, we at last have a games room which is in keeping with our prestigious Club. Thank you Hennie, and also many thanks to Piet Mostert who will be donating new dart boards.

Let’s not forget the generous donation from Alfie Pedro of new pictures and the stunning golf ball display which will soon be adorning the walls of the Snooker Room - many thanks Alfie, very much appreciated.

Barrel of Fortune

Ticket No 3 S R Booyens (Jnr)

Unclaimed - not in the Bar

Whisky Draw

<i>Bradley Mower</i>	<i>Dot Els</i>
<i>Hugh Neeson</i>	<i>De Wet</i>
<i>Eddie Smyth</i>	<i>Frans Broodryk</i>

From the Pro Shop

Barry Bothma - PGA Professional

Wednesday was a Better Ball Stableford Competition and the boys were looking forward to a good days golf. Firing into first place was the combination of B Lazenby and R Williams on 43 pts. Scooping second spot was S Cappelletto and A Mzizi on 40 pts. Settling for third was the partnership of A Pedro and J Tait on 39 pts.

Friday's Meat Competition attracted many players trying to fill the fridges before the weekend. Player of the day was non-other than N Papenfus on a great score of 21pts. Winning the four way count out for second place was H Snyman, followed by R Papenfus, K Bothma and D Gomes all on 20 pts.

Saturday's Better Ball Stableford Competition was played in super hot conditions, which was followed by super hot golf. The winners of the day were S Krige and P v Rensburg on a excellent score of 50pts. Winning the count-out for second place was the combination of F Marques and T Da Mota, followed by L Ashkettle and M de Wet in third, all on 45 pts.

Congratulations to H Porteous from Modderfontein winning the Nomads Under 23 Championships played over 36 holes at Reading Country Club on Sunday with scores of 71 and 67.

Remember "Readings Weekly Breakfast Special" - Tuesday to Friday Mornings, as well as our R100 Monday Special

<u>Results</u>		
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Date :- 9th February 2011</u>	<u>Competition</u>
		<i>Better Ball Stableford</i>
1 st	Barry Lazenby / Ron Williams	43 pts
2 nd	Sesto Cappelletto / Abe Mzizi	40 pts
3 rd	Alfie Pedro / Johan Tait	39 pts
4 th		
<u>Friday</u>	<u>Date :- 11th February 2011</u>	<u>Competition</u>
		<i>Meat Comp. Ind. Stab.</i>
1 st	Neels Papenfus	21 pts
2 nd	Hannes Snyman	20 pts
3 rd	Raymond Papenfus	20 pts
4 th	Karen Bothma	20 pts
5 th	D Gomes	20 pts
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Date :- 12th February 2011</u>	<u>Competition</u>
		<i>Better Ball Stableford</i>
<u>A.M. FIELD</u>		
1 st	R Murphy	48 pts
2 nd	M Mackaiser	48 pts
3 rd	M Kassen	46 pts
4 th	D Jenkins	46 pts
5 th	M De Wet	46 pts
<u>P.M. FIELD</u>		
1 st	S Krige / P V Rensburg	50 pts
2 nd	F Marques / T Da Mota	45 pts
3 rd	L Ashkettle / E Gouws	45 pts
4 th		
<u>Sunday a.m.</u>	<u>Date :- 13th February 2011</u>	<u>Competition</u>
1 st		
2 nd	Course Closed - Nomads Nat. Under 23's Tournament	
3 rd		

From the Lady Captain :- Marietjie Tame

Reading Trophy:

Congratulations to the winners of the Reading Trophy :- Lieschen Reid, Shelley Daymond and Mariaan Vermeulen. From the word go it was clear that this team will be hard to beat, with two Birdies and an Eagle between them, they came into the clubhouse with 53 points, (3 Ball Alliance, one score to count) their closest rivals with 49 points. Overall the standard of golf was brilliant, the field of 21 players boasted 5 Birdies and the team last in the field on 39 points, still a very good score.

Trophies for the Singles and Doubles Knock-Out Winners for 2010 were handed out. A deserving winner of the Singles was Lorraine Cross with Blandyna Babski and Wilanda Snyman the Doubles Knock-Out Winners. Thank you to Magda van Zyl for sponsoring the beautiful Doubles Knock-Out Trophy.

Knock-Out Competitions:

The draws for the different Knock-Out Competitions have been done and the lists are up in the locker room. We are attempting to have the first rounds of these competitions played on the same date, but players will be notified in advance. We have to take these measures to try and ensure that the different stages of the Knock-Outs are completed by the set deadlines.

Mixed Open:

Our next Mixed Open is to take place on Sunday February 27. We invite all to join us – it's a great way for couples to spend a Sunday. Please book at the Pro-Shop, there are still some T-Off times available – 011 907-3666.

Entering scores online

Players are reminded that they have the ability to login and enter scores online at www.handicaps.co.za. For first time user's click on the red "Login" tab on the home page and register with your SA Player ID (Username) and PIN as it appears on the front of the new SAGA handicap card. If you are experiencing problems logging on please contact your club administrator to assist you or email editor@handicaps.co.za.

9-Hole Score Entry

Players would have noticed they now have the option to enter 9-Hole Scores on both the Handicap Terminals and Website. The system will use the players' actual score for the 9 holes played and then add par for the other nine plus 50% of the players' handicap. The 72-hour rule will apply for 9-hole scores and all golfers are to please note that all 9-hole rounds played must be entered on the handicap system, provided they are verified by an opponent

Enjoy the week, and keep swinging!

Senior Golf

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