

Reading Country Club

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Results		
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Date :- 20th July 2011</u>	<u>Competition</u>
		<u>I.P.S.</u>
1 st	JJ Coetzer	34 pts
2 nd	B Bothma	33 pts
3 rd	J Coetzee	32 pts
<u>Friday</u>	<u>Date :- 22nd July 2011</u>	<u>Competition</u>
		<u>Meat Comp. - Ind. Stab.</u>
1 st	E Erlank	21 pts
2 nd	J Beukes	21 pts
3 rd	R Broodryk	20 pts
4 th	M Peterson	19 pts
5 th	C Germanus	18 pts
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Date :- 23rd July 2011</u>	<u>Competition</u>
		<u>I.P.S.</u>
<u>A.M. Field</u>		
1 st	B Donnelly	37 pts
2 nd	H Herman	31 pts
3 rd	G Morris	30 pts
4 th	S Holmes	29 pts
5 th	J Botha	28 pts
<u>P.M. Field</u>		<u>Competition</u>
		<u>I.P.S.</u>
1 st	L Lewthwaite	37 pts
2 nd	J Pinnell	36 pts
3 rd	C Conradie	35 pts
4 th	M Jacobs	35 pts
5 th	F Marques	35 pts
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Date :- 24th July 2011</u>	<u>Competition</u>
		Better Ball Stableford
1 st	G Cobden / P Pienaar	39 pts
2 nd	P Madhav / C Carrim	37 pts
3 rd	C Tucker / A Alberts	28 pts

Barrel of Fortune

Ticket No 41

Mrs E Engelbrecht

Unclaimed - not in the Bar

Next Week

R4050.00

Whisky Draw

George Robertson

Val Jarvis

From :- Larry Macartney

Club Manager

It is always nice to receive a compliment as they do not happen too often. However, this week we hosted the Mariners' Golf Day, and at their Prize-Giving, the organizer, Jan Van Rensburg, thanked "Reading" for the excellent state of the Golf Course at this time of the year and for always being made so welcome. Then came the real compliment - when he stated that "The Mariner's" had played at "Reading" every year for the past 29 years, and would continue to do so for as long as "The Mariner's" still played golf.

It really is a compliment to everyone involved when such a long term relationship continues to be strong after such a length of time. You can be sure that if they had ever been made to feel unwelcome, the relationship would have ceased years ago. The Mariner's are not the only group that has such a relationship with "Reading", and long may it continue.

I received a note from “Bob - the Marshall”, who is currently on a three month visit to Scotland. He sends best wishes to all his mates, especially the Senior Midweek Group, and says the Scottish Courses are not a patch on our South African ones. He misses the sunshine - little does he know about the cold spell we are currently experiencing !!!

The issue of “Member’s Parking”, has raised its ugly head again, especially on Saturday’s when Member’s find themselves having to park in the “Visitor’s Section”, as no Member Parking’s are available. So, be prepared this Saturday, when we bring in the cavalry !! Any car without a parking sticker, will not be allowed to proceed into the Member’s Parking Area, so, Members, please do not get angry with the Security Guards - if you do not have a sticker. They are readily available to all paid up Member’s from the front office, so please pick one up from Roz, or Barry, so as to avoid embarrassment.

This coming Sunday, being the last one of the month, we will be serving “Sunday Lunch Carvery”. It is always a help if we know how many people are coming, so please call Chris on (011) 907 8906 Ext 106 to make your booking. We look forward to seeing as many Members, and their guests, as possible.

Next Wednesday, the 3rd August 2011, is the date set for the A.G.M. of the Men’s Golf Committee. Once again it makes for an interesting meeting when it is well attended, so please make a note to attend and hear what is planned for the coming year on the Golfing Front !!!

Dates for the Diary

Friday	29 th July 2011	Poker Evening
Tuesday	9 th August 2011	Ladies Charity Day
Sat/Sunday	20th/21 st August	Winter Club Champs

From :- The Club Captain - Kevin Gough

The Captains Chronicle

Our search for a Greenkeeper has hopefully come to a successful conclusion, at the time of going to press it would be premature to give you his name as the I's and T's are not dotted and crossed, we are confident that he will carry on Rob's work and add his own imprint to the course.

On the subject of Rob I have been thinking that he was definitely the right man at the right time to rescue our greens on a limited budget and we at "Reading" are indebted to him more than we could imagine. Once more good luck for the future from us all Rob.

The parking situation did not pan out as envisaged but with better communication this week should be better. PLEASE GET PARKING STICKERS.

Winter Club Championships are scheduled for the weekend of 20/21st August 2011 - final details will emerge after the new Committee meets, but please put space in your diary for this major event.

I must apologize "Mad Dog" Demetriou should actually read "Dog Collar" Demetriou because he actually believes he can win a Match Play Fixture, 7 and 6 if he does, I will probably have to go into the bar on all fours and bark up a drink.

Ian Redpath is still in hospital where his condition has slightly improved but is still giving cause for concern. Please remember him in your thoughts and prayers.

Please don't forget to support the Ladies Charity Golf Day on Women's Day the 9th August 2011, if you can't book a 4 ball please donate prizes, let's make it a big success.

KEEP SUPPORTING YOUR CLUB
Kevin Gough

From the Pro Shop
Barry Bothma - PGA Professional

Wednesday was an Individual Stableford Competition played under perfect weather conditions and very slick greens. Taking up the challenge was JJ 'Subs' Coetzer who took top podium position with 34 points. Second on 33 points was Barry Bothma followed by John Coetzee on 32 points

Friday was another I.P.S Competition as well as "Round Three" of our Klipdrift Currie Cup League. In the Meat Competition, 'Nyama King' of the day went to Eric 'Texan Rump' Erlank who carded an uncharacteristic 21 to beat Jacques Beukes in a count out. Third place went Ronel Broodryk on 20 points followed by Mark Peterson on 19 points and finally Chad Germanus on 18 points.

In the Klipdrift Currie Cup the mighty Sharks scored two late tries to clean up the Puma's who seemed a little lack luster on the field. However man of the match went to Jacques 'Coenie' Beukes who scored all the points for the Puma's.

In the second match the Leopards continued their unbeaten streak as they narrowly beat the Lions in a Close contest. Eric 'Mapoe' Erlank was crowned man of the match after scoring 3 tries.

In the third match the Bulls eventually found form to record their first win of the season as an injury rife Griquas, failed to perform on the day. Player of the day went to Jason 'Mabeta' Kinnear who converted 6 penalties to ensure the Bulls first poxy win.

In the final match the Stormers cleaned up the Cheeta's in a one sided game. "Man of the Match" went to Jan 'Jantjies' vd Merwe who was the only player to score three tries and not be carded.

Klipdrift Currie Cup log :-

- 1. Sharks 18 pts*
- 2. Leopards 18 pts*
- 3. Stormers 13 pts*
- 4. Lions 11 pts*
- 5. Bulls 11 pts*
- 6. Cheetas 9 pts*
- 7. Griquas 8 pts*
- 8. Pumas 7 pts*

Saturday Morning was in IPS Competition. Armed with a new swing and a bottle of OB's, Billy 'Port' Donnelly raced around the course to score 37 points and take first place. Second place went to Henry Herman on 31 points followed by Gavin Morris on 30 points. Fourth place went to local war veteran, Sherlock Holmes on 29 points followed by Johan Botha on 28 points.

In the afternoon Lejan Lewthwaite also scored 37 points to take pole position. Second place went to Jonathan Pinnell on 36 points followed by Carl Conradie on 35 points - who managed to beat Mark Jacobs in a count out. Fifth and final placing went to our International Qualifier, Fernando Marques also on 35 points.

Sunday was a Better Ball Stableford Competition. Taking first place on 39 points was Gary Cobden

From the Lady Captain :- Marietjie Tame

Stake your Claim Charity Day - August 9, 2011

A whopping R40 000 worth of prizes are to be won at our Annual Charity Day on August 9 (National Women's Day). These prizes are sponsored by Bedford Centre, being the main sponsor for the event. We urge our Members (Men and Ladies) to enter as many teams as possible (Morning Field - bookings now open), and also contribute to sponsorships in the form of sponsoring of holes. Green Fees R250 per player, includes prize-giving lunch. We also need sponsors towards "Wheelbarrow Raffle" (any form of liquid refreshments). Kindly contact any of the Committee Members if you can assist. Phone the Pro-Shop to book your T-Off time (011) 907 3666. All monies raised will be donated to "Reading CC" to buy new hazard stakes for the course and also to the Pitch and Play Charity Drive in the south of Johannesburg. This is an organization that allows underprivileged children the opportunity to learn a sport and actively participate in team events.

Knock-out games

The second round of our Knock-Out Competition are completed. The next round needs to be played on or before end of August 2011. Please check the list in the locker room to ensure your games are booked in good time.

Mixed Open

Our next Mixed Open is to take place on Sunday July 31. T-off times available. Please phone Pro-Shop 011 907 3666 to book.

Caption to photo: *Some of the happy faces at the Pitch and Play Drive held every Saturday morning in South Hills.*

That's all from me, enjoy a great week and stay warm.

News from the Bowls Section

Hi there everyone, its newsletter time again

With all the holidays that we have had there was quite a lot happening at the club.

EVENTS THAT TOOK PLACE:

18th May 2011 - SNAKES AND LADDERS

What a lot of fun we had. A few newbies came to join us and we had a morning well spent. Thanks to everyone that made the day a success.

21st May 2011 - MARKERS COURSE

There were 10 novices that attended the morning. Bruce came to lend a helping hand. We feel that these people have a better idea how to approach the game when marking. We are planning another session in the near future for those that could not attend the first time.

5th June 2011 - OUR BOWLS AGM

Thank you for attending our AGM. We had about 50 Members present. The whole Committee was re-elected. Thanks for the vote of confidence that you - as bowlers have in us. The question of insufficient parking for bowlers was discussed. It was decided that the far parking area would be opened on a Saturday. It was agreed that this year the Annual Prize Giving be held in the morning.

16th June 2011 - INTERNATIONAL DAY

Unfortunately not many of our bowlers dressed in their "COLOURS", but none the less it was great fun. Wim & Ursula came in the colours of Holland, Janice was dressed as a SA supporter, Diane and Val were NZ supporters, John, Janet and Allison were representing the Scots'. Corrie and I went back to our roots in our Voortrekker outfits.

OUR SICK LIST!

Thank goodness it has shrunk quite a bit.

Penny Enslin when discharged from rehab, went to stay with her son in Midrand. She is much better, and is moving about with crutches. She is making plans to return to her own home. She will then have physio in Alberton. Penny we are all so happy that you are so positive, and hope to see you soon xx

Sandra's hand has improved and she is back bowling.

John Nicosia, Sandra's Dad, is a bit under the weather. We are missing you at bowls. Get well soon.

Marge is a regular at the Club again. So happy for your visits over the weekends.

Don Els has had a bad spell. He had an aneurism and is having more tests. Apparently the signs are not that good and he is waiting to hear from the surgeon when they will be operating. You are in our prayers and thoughts. Keep up your spirit.

Then it's just the normal bouts of flu, sniffs, coughs and sneezes. Take your hot toddies etc. and keep warm.

COACHING

There is a steady flow of new people interested in playing bowls. So Corrie and I are fairly busy coaching.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

E.G.B PAIRS

This competition is starting this coming weekend 23 July 2011. Good bowling to our players who have entered. "Reading" will be hosting some of the games starting Saturday 23rd July. Next weekend 2 Sections will be played at the club.

E.G.B TRIPS

Santie, Wendy and Ursula will be playing in the finals on Sunday 24 July 2011 at Alberton BC. Your support will be appreciated. GOOD LUCK GIRLS!

Yvonne and Harold were umpires at the Trips Competitions. Thanks for your time - being there when you were needed.

9TH AUGUST 2011

Another fun day. BAD HAIR DAY!!!! Come and enjoy a morning of Fun Bowls.

SAD NEWS

Sue Webber's husband passed away two weeks ago. Our thoughts are with you in these difficult times.

Richard Harris's Dad also passed away in the beginning of June. Our condolences to the family. They are happily relocated in Klerksdorp and send their regards to all, saying whenever you pass that way, make sure to come and say "Hi".

RAE FRIEDMAN TOURNAMENT 11, 16, 18, 23 AND 25 AUGUST 2011

Please ladies support us by entering a team. Help us make a huge success of this event. We are having a "Pamper Hamper" as well as a "Groceries Hamper". Thanks to all the ladies that have already contributed. It can only be a success if everybody can help in a small way.

GENERAL

Moses our Green's Assistant was nominated as the "Employee of the month of June". Well done Moses.

Rob , the Greenkeeper of R.C.C has resigned as from end of July 2011. Thank you for making sure that our greens were in tip top order. You will be sadly missed by all the bowlers.

PARKING

We have a special request for our bowlers. Please use the bottom gate to park your vehicles. A security guard will be on duty.

Thanks to Polla for the boards he made for the bowlers parking.

SHIRTS

Corrie, thanks for organising the shirts. There was a delay in supplying the pockets, but it seems as if is sorted out. Contact her with your orders.

OUTSIDE COMPETITIONS

Our Ladies entered 4 Teams in the Ridge Park - Desiree Kayton Tournament. Sheila Parson's team came 3rd. Well done ladies. We had a 5th, 8th and 14th place as well. Their greens were exceptionally difficult but everybody tried their best.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Sandra Cheruslich who was accepted as one of the Governing Body Committee for the year 2011/12 - you have taken your "Members" duties one step further - and we all appreciate your input into the smooth running of our Club. Enjoy the year ahead.

If carts are shared, one ball should be put into the pipe. If drawn he must tell the Starter so that the correct number of golfers can be drawn for their group. The same applies to a single player in a cart.

If a player is drawn with a group which includes a cart, and does not want to walk with carts, his ball may be held over for inclusion in the next group.

Thursday's (Same times are booked)

The same provisions apply where applicable

Exception :- Every 2nd and 4th Thursday players may arrange their own 3 or 4 Balls.

These will usually be Individual Competitions. The starter on duty will arrange a balls-in-the-pipe draw for those players arriving without arranged groups. Also one ball in the pipe per arranged group to determine tee-off order.

General

Except for the two Thursday's per month Members are not encouraged to arrange playing partners. (Visitors excepted).

Starters : Sid duToit assisted by Roy McGregor, Dave Ford and Robert Barker

Stan Ingram and Wim Smalle are on the reserve list.

The Starter on Duty will decide on the format of the competition.

Should you have enquiries regarding the "Seniors Golf Section" - please contact one of the following Members :-

<i>Mr. Sid du Toit</i>	<i>011 827 2035 (H)</i>
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<i>Mr. Dave Ford</i>	<i>083 257 8336</i>