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## From the Club

We tested two of the new par three tees over the weekend of Club Champs and all the people I spoke to were impressed.

The new tee on the 6th hole shortens the hole to about 135m, but the bunkering looks like they were designed for the new tee. One to the left, one to the right and one over the green. We will be planting a few trees over the green to hide the Ambrose Lofts. The average score for the two rounds on this hole was 3.8, which makes it a little easier than the other Par 3's, which is because it doesn't have any water.





The new 12th hole was described by one player as “Mickey Mouse”. It’s very short, but let’s remember that many of the most talked about Par 3’s in golf are very short - the Postage Stamp at Royal Troon; the 12th at Augusta, and the 6th at Pebble Beach are all fabulous holes.

In the final three-ball in Club Champs, all three players missed the green with a less than 100m shot.

The hole is tricky and requires perfect distance control. Short is a dip of about a metre, and over the back is a bunker. You will feel really silly if you drop 1 or more shots on this hole.

We will play these two holes off temporary tees until we do the coursework changes towards the end of winter.

The course will be re-rated once all the changes have been made.

The New Range is opening soon



Using two holes off the old nine and the old driving range, the new range be much longer and can accommodate many more people. Our two PGA Professionals will be on-hand to offer you quality coaching. We will also have a limited 100 Range Memberships for sale.

New tees will be built at the same time as the course changes during winter.

## Stars of the Week

We took two four-balls down to Gowrie earlier this week to take part in their Festival of Golf Pro-Am.



Congrats to our Head professional, Jo Phiri who came second in the Pro Am's individual competition while his team; Francois Anderson, Chris Delport and Dale Michler finished second in the team event.



Good luck to Nishalin Naidoo currently representing Gauteng North in the S.A. Challenge Inter-Provincial at MooiNooi. It ends today but Gauteng North are in the lead - good luck today!



*Nishalin (far left) picture courtesy of GNGU*

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## Club champs

Senior & Mid-Am Club Champs – Sat 27th May

Senior Champs - Enter online via this link - <https://bit.ly/3HYVwW7>. Here are the Tournament Conditions of Entry – [CLICK HERE](#)

Mid-Amateur Champs – Enter online via this link - <https://bit.ly/432wePK> and here are the Tournament Conditions of Entry – [CLICK HERE](#)

You pay your Greenfee plus R120 (which incl. comp fee & halfway house).

Entries close on Mon, 22nd May and your handicaps will be frozen on Thurs, 25th May!

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## Golf etiquette

We found this article recently about golf etiquette, which has some valid points that we can all be reminded of. Here's part 1 of 2: -

1. **RESPECT:** The most important of the etiquette rules relates to respect for other golfers. You need to keep your voice down – better yet, shut up completely – during someone's swing. Don't even fidget or rattle your clubs when someone is about to play a shot, while a ringing cell phone on the course is a big no-no.
2. **WHERE TO STAND:** The general rule is never to stand in front of another player who is playing a shot. That should be easy enough to remember after the first time you catch a misdirected golf ball between the eyes. The best place to stand is perpendicular to the person and facing him.
3. **ORDER:** The person furthest from the hole plays first. Of course, if you are under time pressure, then players in your group may agree to play 'ready golf', which means that you play when you are ready, as long as no one else is playing at the same time.
4. **SPEED UP:** Even if you aren't holding up the group behind you, your job is to keep up with the group playing ahead of you. If the gap extends to a full hole, you are playing too slowly and are likely to hold up the field. If you are playing slowly and looking for golf balls often, consider letting the group behind you play through while you continue your search.

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## Let us help you play better golf

In our tip this week, Adam Lowther not only tells you about the bump & run shot, but shows you how to execute it.



Adam Lowther is the Assistant Teaching Professional at Zwartkop

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## What's coming up?

### Mondays – Monday Madness every Monday in May

Members and Affiliated Visitors pay R240 (includes golf and a golf cart on a sharing basis). Non-affiliated golfers pay R350.

### Tuesdays – Open Day, 4-Club Challenge & Half Price Pizza Night every week

### Wednesdays – Whacky Wednesday Open Day every week except PM 17 May

R280 includes half price green fees, half price on a golf cart (sharing only) and a Margherita pizza. You pay upfront in the golf shop.

### Thursdays – Meat Day Open Day every week

Members & Affiliated Visitors pay R290 including your competition fee (pre-paid green fees – R80). Non-affiliated visitors pay R420 incl. the competition fee.



Fridays – Open Day & 9-hole CHICKEN RUN & JOKERS WILD  
– every week

Saturdays – Members Day

Format: 13th – Alliance, 2 Scores to Count

Sundays – Members Day – AM & Open Day – PM every week

Format: 14th – Alliance, 2 Scores to Count

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## Singles Club

Singles Club is open to Single figure handicappers only and provides a great opportunity for some high-level but fun competition. Give Brent Goddard or Francois Anderson a call. The next event will be played on Sun, 28th May, and will be Individual Medal.



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## Chicken Run

Chicken Run competitions take place every Friday afternoon. So if you want to play a quick social nine holes on a Friday afternoon, enter the competition. You'll receive two tickets for the Joker's Wild Draw included in your entry fee.

Contact the Golf Shop at (012)654-1144/ 2111 to book. Our thanks to Ronnie Els from Kloofsig Spar, who donates the chickens.

# ***"Winner Winner Chicken Dinner"***

## **ZWARTKOP CHICKEN RUN**

**9-HOLES ON AVAILABLE FRIDAY AFTERNOONS**

**R50 COMP FEE INCLUDES  
2 TICKETS FOR THE  
JOKERS WILD DRAW**



**ENTRIES THROUGH THE GOLF SHOP - (012)654-1144**

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## Junior Group Classes

We have Junior Group classes available for all levels of golfers – beginners through to advanced.

Give Adam a call to discuss your options on 074-747-2030.

## Junior Group Lessons

R1350 / school quarter 1 hour / week

Classes grouped according to ages - 8 kids max / PGA Coach  
Juniors get FREE golf membership & Range Balls at half price



Contact Adam  
074-747-2030

## Win with our Par 3 Challenge

Any Competition day, Thurs – Sat all day, Sun AM and some Fridays.



## ARE YOU UP FOR IT ? A PAR 3 CHALLENGE



### HERE'S WHAT YOU WIN

★ ANY 2 ON A HOLE - WIN GOLF BALLS TO THE VALUE OF R180  
(YOU'RE WELCOME TO TOP UP TO BUY GOLF BALLS OF YOUR CHOICE)

★ GET 15 POINTS OVER THE 6 PAR 3'S  
& GET A SWAGG LOGO'D SHIRT (PLAIN COLOURS)

★ GET A HOLE-IN-ONE & WIN A 2-YEAR MEMBERSHIP  
VALUED AT NEARLY R35,000

**THREE PRIZE OPPORTUNITIES IN ONE!**  
**R50 ENTRY FEE PAYABLE IN THE GOLF SHOP**





Calendar



Results



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Reasons to stay

Driven to distraction



Whatever you're going through in life, golf offers you a healthy outlet and an improved state of mind.



### Golf on my mind

*There are many stressors in life that can preoccupy us. But out on the course, you need only think about the next shot. Golf helps us to develop a single-minded focus. Whatever personal or professional worries may be on your mind, they can wait – on course, there are friends to meet and birdies to be made!*

[Book your tee time](#)



## What's your dividing line?

Are you after more spin and feel, or are you chasing higher speeds and longer carry? Srixon's new Z-STAR DIVIDE comes in two options, but whichever one you choose, you're going to enjoy the view.

[Learn more](#)

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Your best angle

## More distance lies within you



Ideal lie angles differ from player to player but anyone can gain a few extra metres just by finding lie angles that suit their swing.

### Lie angle and true distance



*Our ideal lie angles, like our swings, differ. A 61° lie angle might give you a perfectly straight and long ball flight, while the same lie angle for your buddy means they lose distance with a left-to-right ball flight.*



*You could lose up to 18 metres of distance by playing with an iron lie angle that's 2 degrees too upright or too flat for your physique and swing type.*

## Unleash your full potential

Once we've found the lie angle that suits your swing, you're going to find it a lot easier to hit longer and straighter shots on a consistent basis. That's good for your scorecard and for your enjoyment of the game.

[Book a fitting](#)



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