



THE MODDER NEWS

Your weekly news updates from the fairways

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CLUB NEWS

Real golfers, no matter what the provocation, never strike a caddie with the driver. The sand wedge is far more effective. ~Huxtable Pippey

Justin Thomas beat Australia's Marc Leishman on the second playoff hole Sunday to win the inaugural CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES and cap his breakout year on the PGA TOUR.

Thomas sealed his fifth PGA TOUR title in 2017 — and his first of the new 2017-18 PGA TOUR season — when he birdied the second extra hole and Leishman made bogey after finding the water. The pair went to a sudden-death playoff after completing the first PGA Tour regular-season event in South Korea tied at 9-under 279. Thomas, who shared the overnight lead with Scott Brown, fell behind when he had a double bogey on the 550-yard par-5 No. 3 hole. "I just kept telling myself it was a bad golf swing," Thomas said. "It wasn't a mental error or wasn't a wrong judgment that we made but just a bad golf swing at a pretty bad time but I knew you are going make bogeys out here today."

This week is the turn for the Sheshan Internation Golf Course in Sanghai China for this weeks' PGA tour event. – The World Golf - HSBC Championships .

U.S. Open champion Brooks Koepka made birdie from a water hazard late in his round and opened with an 8-under 64 to build a one-shot lead in the World Golf Championship-HSBC Champions. Koepka already threw away one opportunity by three-putting from 4 feet on the third hole for bogey. Then, he hooked a 3-iron off the tee at the par-5 eighth and into a tiny stream. He removed his shoes and blasted it out of the water onto the fairway, ripped a 3-wood from 275 yards onto the green and made a 20-foot birdie putt. He had a one-shot lead over Gavin Green of Malaysia and Kiradech Aphibarnrat of Thailand. Patrick Reed was another shot behind with a 66. Dustin Johnson, former PGA TOUR Player of the Year, opened with a 68.

Happy Golfing.
The Modder Team

RESULTS

COMPETITION	SATURDAY		
	MENS - AM	MENS - PM	LADIES
Winner	H Visagie & D Wayber 46 pts	M Tipping & T Stevenson snr 45 pts	Individual Stableford-Presidents Cup
Runner-up	C Holwill & R B Hagen 45 pts	G Wilcox & R Bridges 44 pts	
3rd Place	A Jessiman & S Wilkinson 44 pts	D Griesel & D Swarts 43 pts	
NEAREST THE PIN	3rd	9th	11th
	None	None	None

SUNDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2017
COMPETITION: IND STABLEFORD
WINNER: A. BAILEY 39 PTS
RUNNER UP: G. WRIGHT 38 PTS

PLEASE NOTE: PRIZES ARE VALID FOR 60 DAYS FROM DATE OF ISSUE

UPCOMING GOLF COMPS

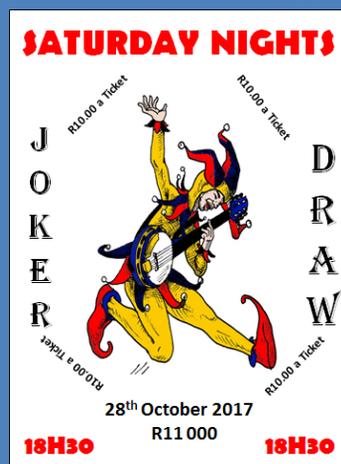
SATURDAY, 28th OCTOBER
Steve West Qualifier
Stanley Anderson Semi Finals

SUNDAY, 29th OCTOBER
Open Mixed – Oktober Fest

WEDNESDAY, 1st NOVEMBER
Mike's Day

UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, 28th OCTOBER
Joker Draw – R11 000



WEDNESDAY, 1st NOVEMBER
Green Bar – Quiz Evening



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FROM THE CAPTAIN

Congratulations to Colin Weinstein on his selection as Captain of the CGGU Super Senior IPT team which will be playing in December. Well done to our Modderfontein Junior team who came 10th in the Nomads Interclub tournament played at Glendower on Sunday the 22nd of October. Congratulations to Sam MacKenzie who won the World Junior Golf European/Malaysian/Australian Qualifier with scores of 77 and 68. Sam won by 7 shots.

Slow Play

We are still experiencing slow play from members which results in rounds taking longer than the 4 hours 20 minutes to complete. The following are a few tips to help move the round along:

- Play Ready Golf - if you are ready then play, doesn't matter if you are closest to the green, if you are ready then play!
- Have your glove on by the time you reach your ball.
- Walk quicker between shots.
- Park your golf trolley or golf cart nearest to the point of exiting to the next tee box.
- Record your score on the tee box as opposed to the green.
- KEEP UP WITH THE FOURBALL IN FRONT, as best you can.

Please remember that we all want to relax and enjoy ourselves when we play our round of golf, so please listen to the marshall and take the field into consideration.

Competitions

All betterball competitions will be played off 75% of your handicap.

In a club competition golfers have to play off the tees that you are handicapped off i.e. if you play off the forward tees, in a club competition, you have to reduce your handicap and play off the forward tees - no exceptions.

A handicapping committee has been established to look into handicaps of all winners of competitions at Modderfontein, this has been formed to keep the integrity of the competition and Modderfontein.

You may not concede a putt in any club competition - this is a form of cheating and the practice still exists. In match play (Hughes Betterball or Stanley Anderson) you may concede a putt as you are conceding on behalf of your match. You may not concede a putt for the field in a club competition and unfortunately disqualification will result. As a marker you have a responsibility to record the correct score to ensure the integrity of the competition.

You may not play in two competitions at the same time.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me directly.

Regards
Scott



BIRTHDAYS

THURSDAY, 26th OCTOBER

L Wolfaardt
R Atkins
V Pieterse

FRIDAY, 27th OCTOBER

A Ingham Brown
G Carlton
Z Roussouw
G Adamson

SATURDAY, 28th OCTOBER

E Seedat
F Angiers
A Sale

SUNDAY, 29th OCTOBER

W Milligan

MONDAY, 30th OCTOBER

E Burger
M Wright

TUESDAY, 31st OCTOBER

R Mitchell

WEDNESDAY, 1st NOVEMBER

K Sharp
S Commin
L Farmer



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LADIES SECTION

Congratulations to our 2018 League Captains, Phindo Mohlala and Lynda Joynt - we look forward to a successful season. If you are keen to participate in the Sunday League, please let Allison know.

Best wishes to Zahn and Elzet who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Please come and support the Open Mixed on Sunday - it's time for Oktoberfest! Please send your names to Allison if you are able to take part in the Captain vs Vice Captain challenge on 11 November. The original teams will apply where possible. Please support the Open Mixed on 29 October. We would love to see you all there.

Happy golfing this weekend.
Allison Darling



GOLFING TIPS

HIT (AND HOLD) MORE GREENS WITH THIS TECHNIQUE

A lot of my improvement as a PGA Tour rookie has come from observation, followed by trial-and-error sessions in which I work something new into my game. It was this process that was key to my first tour victory this year at Torrey Pines.

Like a lot of young power players, I had a preference on short-iron and wedge approach shots to come in high with a lot of spin, especially to firm greens. But what I learned—sometimes the hard way—is that wind and slope can make the margin of error on those high approaches very small. Early this year on the West Coast, where there is usually wind and the greens can be soft, I noticed that veteran tour pros I was paired with tended to hit their irons lower and with less spin. Often that shot would end up closer to the hole than the one I had tried.

So I made a point of incorporating a three-quarter shot into my game. Unless the wind is really strong, the longest club I use this shot with is a 7-iron, simply because the ball tends to fly too low using anything longer. The adjustments I make for this sensible shot are pretty simple. I put the ball back in my stance slightly, and make a shorter backswing with less wrist cock. To prevent a steep path that can shoot the ball too low, I make sure to rotate my body away from the target enough to shallow the angle of attack. You also can see here that I've turned through fully, but my finish with the club looks a little shorter than normal. This is a position to copy to flight the ball lower. Also keep in mind that the ball is not going to fly as far. For me, it's about 10 yards less than if I made a full swing with the same club.

The three-quarter shot, because it creates less spin, might not be the choice when I need to stuff an approach into a tight pin and force a birdie. But I've also learned that those situations are not the norm. The three-quarter shot is easier to hit the right distance, and easier to hit straight, which makes it more reliable. Basically, less can go wrong, and it has reduced the "soft" bogeys that can mess up low rounds and be really annoying. I recently heard that Lee Trevino used to say, "Hit the ball only as high as you need to." Now I have a better idea of what he meant. —*With Jaime Diaz*

PRO SHOP SPECIALS

Taylor Made M1 Drivers now only
R5500 - save R2500

All FootJoy Jackets and Chillouts
less 25%

Taylor Made Aero Burner Driver +
Fairway + Rescue for only R4999

Taylor Made Aero Burner HL
Irons 4 – SW for only R5999
(steel)

Taylor Made Rocket Blade Irons –
2.0 R8999

EXTRAS

If you have any special news you would like us to include in this newsletter please send the information to kerry.eley@yahoo.com