

SENIOR GOLFERS SOCIETY OF GAUTENG COMMITTEE REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2018

Your Committee has pleasure in submitting the following report for the above year, and for the financial year ending 31 December 2018

Obituaries

We regret to advise the following members passed away during the year

Ralph Ririe
Pye Bredenkamp
Andrew Mentis
Ian Head
Graham Wanblad
Bruce Ilsley
John Drysdale
Gunter Vogel

Committee

The members of committee for the year under review were:

Rob Wassenaar – President
John Marshall – Captain
Alan Field – Past President
John Balderson, Derick Finlayson, Vaughan Sammons, and Rohan Sheppard
John Ludwig and Chris Bobbert tendered their resignation from the Committee during the year and we thank them for their contribution to the affairs of your Society.

Secretariat

Frank Rosslee

Membership

Membership of the Society as at 31 December 2018

	ACTIVE	NON-PLAYING	TOTAL
Honorary Life Members	11	5	16
Veteran Seniors	15	48	63
Ordinary Members	145	49	194
TOTAL	171	102	273

During the year 6 new members were admitted.

Following a request from Gauteng North for an additional 10 to their membership quota your Society, together with the KZN Society, have each relinquished 5 from their quotas. Gauteng quota now stands at 195. The following members have now qualified for Veteran Membership:

Eddie Keys, Brian Holmes, Dave Morris, Tim Wood, Mike Alcock, Mike Reid, Alan Tindall and Reg Lane.

Honorary Life Membership

At the last AGM John Brownrigg and Jimmy Marriott were elected to this category of membership and it is proposed that this year this honour be extended to Past President John Ludwig.

International Tours

No overseas tours or international tournaments took place during 2018.

National Tournament - April 2018

The Seniors Nationals were hosted by Gauteng in April 2018 and judging from feedback received from other Societies it was a great success. Congratulations are due to the Gauteng Organising Committee under the Chairmanship of John Marshall for a job very well done. The next tournament will be hosted by the Southern Cape Society in George from the 7th to the 11th of April 2019 and Gauteng will be represented by 52 members. We wish all participants good luck.

Matches

The annual match against the Senior Ladies was held in October. The match has been eliminated and dropped from the calendar due to lack of support.

Both the matches held against Gauteng North, at Royal Johannesburg in June and in Pretoria at Wingate in November, were won by ourselves.

The Triangular played at Harrismith Golf Club was well attended and won by Kwa-Zulu natal with Gauteng and Free State joint runners up.

A quadrangular Tournament was held in Parys in August with OFS, N. Cape and Gauteng North and 12 players from each Society participated. The event was won by

Competitions

We had the pleasure of being hosted during the year by the following clubs, and we again thank them for their hospitality.

The Country Club Johannesburg, The River Club, Parkview Golf Club, Bryanston Country Club, Modderfontein Golf Club, Irene Country Club and Pretoria Country Club (these together with the Gauteng North Society), Randpark Golf Club – Bushwillow Course, Kyalami Country Club, Krugersdorp Golf Club, Eagle Canyon and Wanderers Golf Club.

Results of major competitions were as follows

Gauteng Championship	Winner	Terry Knight -155
	Runner-up	Ross Grainger -158
	Veteran's Cup	Louw Van Wyk -72
	Best 36 Holes	Tom Burger -77
Anniversary Cup	Winner	Allan Bulmer - 43
	Runner-up	Neville Gurry -42
Kearland Trophy	Winners	Brian Wilmot & Adrian Ball -43
	Runners-up	Chris Huddy & Gordon Huddy – 42
Satchwell Trophy	Winner	Ian Hancock -37 oco
	Runner-up	John Warwick -37 oco
Pinehurst Knockout	Winners	Vaughan Sammons & Dave Rigby
	Runners-up	Johnny Matthews & Ray White

Home Course

We again record our sincere appreciation to the Royal Johannesburg and Kensington Golf Club for the privileges extended to our Society and members during the year. The Club has extended these privileges to our Society for the upcoming year for which we are highly appreciative.

Finance

Our thanks to Messrs Ernst & Young for their past support of our Society by providing the required annual audit of our accounts. They have now advised that they cannot continue to provide pro-bono services and have advised that we should appoint a small audit firm to provide accounting services. We are in the process of negotiating for a new auditor.

We confirm that the financial statements present a satisfactory state of affairs of the Society

Surplus Investments

The Committee continues to invest a portion of the surplus funds that we currently have, in quality equities with SA Stock Brokers.

Committee for 2019/20

Alan Field, having served on your Committee for a number of years and also as President of your Society has indicated his wish to step down and has accordingly tendered his resignation. On behalf of the Committee as well as the Society I would like to thank Alan sincerely for his contribution to and support of the Society. His efforts and input over the years have been very much appreciated.

Pat Cronin has indicated his willingness to join the Committee and we very much look forward to working with him.

In the terms of the constitution, subject to confirmation at the AGM on the 28th of March 2019, the committee for the ensuing year will be:

President	John Marshall
Captain	John Balderson
Past President	Rob Wassenaar
Committee	Vaughan Sammons, Rohan Sheppard, Derick Finlayson and Pat Cronin.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the members of the committee for their enthusiastic support and attention to the affairs of our Society. It has been an honour and a privilege to have worked with you.

A special thank you to Frank for his capable administration of the affairs of your Society and for his support during the year.

I wish the incoming committee, in the face of a changing environment, the strength and wisdom to protect the ethos and principles of our great Society.

ROB WASSENAAR
PRESIDENT