

NOMADS

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- ♦ NEXT GAME, 16 OCTOBER @ KRUGER PARK LODGE
- ♦ 2022 ANDREW MENTIS Golf Day,
 - ⇒ Sunday 13 November @ White River GC

THE NOMADS CREED

"No man is an island entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the many.

Any man's death diminishes me, because I am involved in mankind;

And therefore, never send to know for whom the bell tolls;

It tolls for thee."

from the Meditations of John Donne (1573-1631)

Captain's Corner

Fellow Nomads, Sponsors and friends

Mbombela Golf Club, you beauty!!

Wow, it was good be back on my home course for a change. I was starting to feel like a beginner after the string of 'away' games we have had. This time I managed to make the Bookie some money, as no one thought I would win the day and my "friend", Arthur thought I would get the matchbox.

The course was in very good condition even though we have had a fairly dry winter so far. Well done to Darren and his team. Their near-perfect greens reward good golf, which reflected on our average score of the day of 29,9.

Most of us played well, but the Eswatini Nomads struck again with a Matchbox winner. Well done, Theo Mason for winning it twice in a row. Please will you use the two golf lessons you won, or Lowveld will only have a handful of Golden Matchbox Qualifiers at our Gold Cup in December.



Mbombela Golf Club Clubhouse

We had the Glenbrynth Challenge last month at Highland Gate where we managed to scrape a team of eighteen players together. The first day we had coast-like winds which made the course very difficult, while on the second day, we almost froze to death - thanks for rubber grips! Not the best golfing weather for the Lowvelders, clearly evidenced by the scores posted. We only managed to beat the Eswatini Nomads, but all the other clubs got the upper hand over us.

All in all, it was a very enjoyable tournament and I urge all the "**Newbie**" Lowveld Nomads to add this tournament to their calendar for next year. If you do not know if you classify as a Newbie, then ask yourself the following questions.

- ♦ Have I played more than 30 Nomads games?
- ♦ Have I done an away tour?
- ♦ Have I done Golforama duty?
- Can I remember that Jason Davis attended prize giving in 2018 game at Barberton?

If any answer you give is NO, then you classify as a Newbie!

We also successfully completed our first Golforama event for the year, the Vodacom Origins of Golf at Highland Gate. The event was not attended very well by the Lowveld Nomads and I hope that we will get many more of you to put your hand up when we do our next event at Leopard Creek. But I do thank the ones who volunteered, so that we could raise funds to give back to the community.

The Alfred Dunhill Challenge (ADC) will be held from the 8'th to the 11'th of December 2022 at Leopard Creek. We would need many more volunteers for this event, compared to the Vodacom Origins of Golf. The ADC requires around 40 people per day, so please have a look at your diary and support us please. Brandon will send us more information in due course. I urge all Newbies to attend.

In closing, I also want to thank the visiting Nomads at our Mbombela game, on Sunday 28th August. There were no less than 8 Easterns and 5 Eswatini touring Nomads, with 3 prospectives, 1 sponsor Nomad and 5 guests joining us for the day, with a total field of 75 players. Thanks, again for your



See you all at our next game at White River Golf Club

Travel safe and be good.

A great shot, Mxolisi Zwane (MZ)
No hole-in-one, but R1,000 sponsor has now been added to our Andrew Mentis fund.





Touring Nomads
(left) Warren Brits from Eastern Nomads, and
(right) Arthur Horne from Eswatini Nomads,
playing with Lowveld's Gus van Niekerk (left) and
Alan South (right)

ANDREW MENTIS NOMADS FOUNDATION NPC

Company Registration No. 2008/028471/08; PBO No. 930 030 305

THE 2022 ANDREW MENTIS BENEFICIARIES

Vice-Captain, Johan Janse van Rensburg, officially launched his 2022 Andrew Mentis Nomads Foundation fundraising campaign, and his Committee is already hard at work.

Nomads is a golfing body with a mission to promote golf and foster goodwill at every possible opportunity, including assisting to welfare organisations with money raised during the year from our fundraising initiatives.

Each year, all Nomad Clubs throughout South Africa host a charity golf day or two, where they request corporate and private sponsorship. This event was initiated by Mr. Andrew Mentis, a founder Nomad in 1960, hence the name. To date Nomads have contributed in excess of R38,000,000 to charities country wide, whilst Lowveld charities have benefitted in the amount of over **R3,380,000** since 1997.

This year, the Lowveld Club has selected the following beneficiaries for 2022:

White River Hospice: A non-profit Organisation (NPO), established in 2001 by The Rotary Club of White River. They specialise in quality home-based Palliative Care, which they have provided to White River Residents over the last 20 years. They have identified the development of a step-down/inpatient care facility (adjacent to Hospice House) that will focus on, and be of service to, short-term stay patients - including those suffering from conditions such as Alzheimer's and Dementia.

White River SPCA: A non-profit Organisation (NPO) whose objects include the prevention of ill treatment of animals by promoting their good treatment by man, to take cognisance of the application of laws affecting animals and to do all things reasonably necessary for, or incidental thereto. The Society performs an important health and welfare function, not only in respect of animals but also for the wider community. They identified the following project: upgrading of animal welfare facilities to enable us to provide adequate services to the community.

The annual activities culminate with a presentation to the selected Charities at the annual Andrew Mentis golf day, which is open to all Nomads, guests and potential sponsors by invitation.

The Lowveld Andrew Mentis golf day will be held on **Sunday 13th November 2022** at White River Golf Club and we expect a full field of 128 players.

We respectfully request that you take up the opportunity to become, or obtain a sponsor for the day. Please contact Johan, or any of his Committee, for any further information or donations.







MBOMBELA MOMENTS...



NOMADS NATIONAL SPONSORS













THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

THE CHANGE-ROM



Greetings and salutations to all,

Another month gone, another great day on the golf course - and what a change it was! From the lovely Kambaku layout last month, with very average scoring, to Mbombela with a great average score of almost 30.

The course was in great nick and this obviously reflected in the scores. Club General Manager, Darren Plumb and his team went the extra mile for us and we thank them for that. Once again, most of the annual competitions are as tight as a tiger, but time is running out. It is nice to see some familiar faces on the podium again after struggling with their game, but seem to be back with vengeance.

A topic that seems to have gripped and divided the international golfing world is the new LIV tour. I don't think that in the history of the game there has been so much animosity, pettiness and vindictiveness shown by any tour to another. Obviously everybody has their own opinion on the matter and I would like

to share my two cents worth...

"To me it has got really personal between Greg Norman and Jay Moynahan, the PGA head. The damage has been done and a lot more of the top golfers have gone over to LIV than the PGA could have expected, and now it is damage-control to try and rescue the situation. In my opinion, the LIV has been good for the PGA guys, while the tour has magically found tens of millions to give away in prize money. They are also having "no cut" events at the end of the year and now all the golfers are getting \$500,000 to make it through the year. None of which would have happened if LIV had not taken off.

The sad thing has been how petty the PGA has been regarding the treatment of the golfers. Things like, Cam Smith having his parking spot removed from the players championship parking lot - how petty can you get? There is going to be a watered-down Presidents Cup and even with their best team they were always going to struggle, and you then have to think that if the LIV golfers are banned from the majors is it really a test of the best golfers in the world.

Rory has been very vocal and in my opinion, flipping annoying with his comments, but if he does not make a cut he still gets his \$20 or \$30 million in sponsorship deals, so it's easy to be vocal. Obviously money played a huge roll in most of the golfers decisions to move over, but it must be hard to say "no", when they dangle a \$50 million carrot in your face."

Either way, it is sad that there has been so much animosity and it has divided the golfing world like it has. I have contacted Greg Norman myself and I have made it very clear that I am available, but I can only assume that he has lost my number, because he has not got back to me yet. I have not lost hope and I continue to practice - once a month, regularly in case the phone call comes.

Keep swinging, and see you at White River — CHANGEROOM CHATTERBOX

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership Status	Jan-2016	Jan-2017	Jan-2018	Jan-2019	Jan-2020	Jan-2021	Jan-2022	AUG-22
HONORARY LIFE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HONORARY	2	2	2	2	2	1	4	4
FULL	73	71	72	74	73	72	69	69
ASSOCIATE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NON-PLAYING	7	8	8	8	9	9	10	10
NON-ACTIVE	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
SUSPENSIVE	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPONSOR LOCAL	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
SPONSOR NATIONAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRANSFEREE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	84	84	83	84	85	84	85	85
Prospective members	3	5	1	7	1	3	0	3



SICK PARADE

MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE...

This month we have had several applications for Medical Leave of Absence, due to various reasons, none too serious however.

Andrew Bullen is recovering from a minor procedure on his knee.

Steven Collins has to recover from a minor accident... no questions asked!

Clive Worthington and **Danny Schmullian** are both recovering from minor surgeries to their hands...

Get well soon, Gentleman! See you in the next few months.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

If any of your personal information OR circumstances have changed, (Home club, Marital status, e-mail address, phone number, etc.) or you are unable to play a monthly game due to an injury, surgery or even personal reasons.

It is vitally important to let your Membership Officer, Mike Field know as soon as possible. Email mfield@telkomsa.net, or call 083 415 1435

AWARDS: MBOMBELA, 28 AUGUST 2022



Club Captain, Angelo Sebastian representing Mbombela Golf Club



Captain, Rudi Nel handed out a 20-year tie to Pieter Viljoen (left) and a 5-year tie to Karl Langdon (right)



Captain Rudi Nel inducting Kimren Pather as full playing Member.



A welcome fines session was conducted by our visiting Eswatini Nomad, Theo Mason



Glenbrynth Whisky Draw (from left to right)

Blended Scotch Whisky: Jason Davis

12-Year-Old Whisky: Johan J.v. Rensburg

Single Malt Whisky: Allan Beeching



TRIFECTA HOLE-IN-ONE NOT WON **NOT WON** Sponsor: Lowveld Nomads Sponsor: Knittex

GAME ATTENDANCE DRAW KPL Accommodation Voucher **MIKE FIELD** Sponsor: Kruger Park Lodge

GAME ATTENDANCE DRAW **ALLAN BEECHING** Single Malt Whisky J JANSE VAN RENSBURG Sponsor: Glenbrynth Scotch Whisky 12-Year-Old Whisky

Glenbrynth Whisky **JASON DAVIS**

PLAYERS RAFFLE Sponsor: Liquor City Liquor Hamper **HYLTON HALFPENNY**

ANDREW MENTIS LOTTO DRAW **NEIL SHORT** R1,000 cash prize

ANDREW MENTIS RAFFLE **HECTOR KING (EASTERNS)** Alva Pizza Oven/ Monthly Ice Bucket Sponsor: Bonanza Equipment

ANDREW MENTIS RAFFLE Hayward's Spiced Gold Rum **DON PEARCE** Sponsor: The Lice Lady (Mary Kirby)

1kg Rump Steak **HYLTON HALFPENNY** ANDREW MENTIS RAFFLE 2kg Rump Steak **NIC ELLIOT**

NEAREST TO THE PIN'S Hole # 03 **LUIGI COLMANET** Sponsor: Rovino Wines Hole # 05 **NEVILLE BLUM** Hole # 13 **KEEGAN PHELAN**

Hole # 17 **MXOLISI ZWANE**

RUNNER-UP BEST PLAYING PAIR Sponsors: La Mer Petroleum, Eloff Furniture, 69 points,

KARL LANGDON Arkansas Spur combined handicap of 20 **NEIL WHYTE**

BEST PLAYING PAIR Sponsors: Makhushu Transport, Eloff Furniture **ROB VALENTYN** 72 points,

Jock Pub & Grill combined handicap of 35 ALEC KING (V)

RUNNER-UP BEST PLAYING 4-BALL ANGELO SEBATIAN (V)

KIMREN PATHER Sponsors: SAB, Sparkel Dent, Mep's & Plastic Man 128 points, combined handicap of 53 **RUDI NEL PEET RABIE BEST PLAYING 4-BALL**

Sponsors: Glenbrynth, Standard Bank, **ROB VALENTYN** 137 points. Salsa Mexican Grill combined handicap of 60

ALEC KING (V)
ROB WILLIAMS (EASTERNS) **KEEGAN PHELAN**

RUNNER-UP C-DIVISION Sponsors: Glenbrynth, Upperdeck, **ROB DOUGLASS** 35 points, handicap 22

SA Moroccan Barber

RUNNER-UP B-DIVISION Sponsors: Glenbrynth, Upperdeck, 36 points, handicap 13 **ROB VALENTYN** SA Moroccan Barber

RUNNER-UP A-DIVISION

Sponsors: Glenbrynth, Upperdeck, 35 points, handicap 10 **BENNIE VAN NIEKERK** SA Moroccan Barber

WINNER C-DIVISION Sponsors: Seal Security, Glenbrynth, The Pro Shop ALEC KING (V) 36 points, handicap 22

WINNER B-DIVISION Sponsors: Seal Security, Glenbrynth, The Pro Shop 39 points, handicap 11 **RUDI NEL**

WINNER A-DIVISION 36 points, handicap 8 KARL LANGDON Sponsors: Seal Security, Glenbrynth, The Pro Shop

WINNER PAST & PRESENT CAPTAINS Sponsor: B&H Irrigation 39 points, handicap 11 **RUDI NEL**

BEST DRAWN 4-BALL 132 points, combined handicap of 67 **NEIL SHORT** ALBERT HATTINGH Sponsor: Misty Mountain Lodge **ALEC BLAIR** ALEC KING (V)

WORST PLAYING 4-BALL 103 points, combined handicap of 23 ADRIAAN RABE **RONALD NCUBE** Sponsor: SA Breweries **RYAN MATHESON** WARREN SLABBERT

LONGEST DAY & MATCHBOX Sponsor: Eagle's View Driving Range, White River THEO MASON (ESWATINI) 20 points, handicap 11

Garden Pavilion



The Nomads who won their divisions were (f.l.t.r.):

Rob Douglass (C-division) 35pts, 22 h/c

Carl Langdon (A-division) 36pts, 8 h/c

Rudi Nel (B-division) 39pts, 11 h/c



The prize winners of each division (f.l.t.r): Karl Langdon, Rudi Nel and visitor, Alec King



The second place winners per division (f.l.t.r): Rob Douglass, Rob Valentyn and Bennie v. Niekerk

Runner-up 4-ball were (f.l.t.r.):

Rudi Nel, Angelo Sebastian (Host Captain), Peet
Rabie and Kimren Pather

128 pts, h'cap 53



Winning 4-ball were (f.l.t.r.):

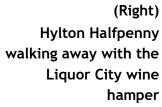
Rob Williams (Easterns), Rob Valentyn, Keegan Phelan and visitor, Alec King

137 pts, h'cap 60





(Left)
Mike Field winning the
Kruger Park Lodge
accommodation
voucher







The monthly winner of the silver ice bucket was Hector King, visiting from Eastern Nomads in Gauteng



HAYWARD'S SPICED GOLD RUM was won by Don Pearce



The R1,000 LOTTO DRAW cash prize was won by Neil Short

The MEAT RAFFLE was won by (f.l.r.t.):

2kg RUMP - Nic Elliot

1kg RUMP - Hylton Halfpenny

The Best DRAWN 4-ball were (f.l.t.r):
Albert Hattingh, Neil Short, Alec King (V) and Alec Blair





The Worst Playing 4-ball and winning the BUNNY EARS (f.l.t.r.):

103 pts, combined 23 h/cap Adriaan Rabe, Ryan Matheson, Ronald Ncube and Warren Slabbert (absent)



The Matchbox Winner for the second time in a row, was Eswatini Past Captain, Theo Mason. Seems Theo couldn't get enough of the Fine's Master

The Nearest-to-Pin winners were (f.l.t.r):

Hole # 17 - Mxolisi Zwane

Hole # 03 - Luigi Colmanet

Hole # 13 - Keegan Phelan

Hole # 05 - Neville Blum





The Leaderboard of the annual MOTUS CHALLENGE (f.l.t.r):

237 points - Arthur Douglass

239 points - Luigi Colmanet

239 points - Rob Valentyn

237 points - Rudi Nel

Where the action begins...



NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTION

PROSPECTIVE MEMBER: JOHAN FERREIRA



NICKNAME:

JOE

OCCUPATION:

INSURANCE BROKER

NAME OF BUSINESS:

MRA INSURANCE BROKERS

POSITION HELD:

ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

SPOUSE OR PARTNER'S NAME:

LIEZEL FERREIRA

HOW MANY CHILDREN (INCLUDING AGES)

2, SON 24 & DAUGHTER 28

SCHOOL ATTENDED:

ERMELO HIGH SCHOOL

SPORTS PLAYED AND TEAMS:

SUPPORTER OF WHICH SPORTS TEAM:

RUGBY/SQUASH/BADMINTON

BORN AND BRED (TOWN/CITY):

MEMBER GOLF CLUB:

WP & STORMERS

ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

MBOMBELA GOLF CLUB

HOBBIES:

OTHER COMMITTEES SERVED:

DEEP SEA FISHING/HUNTING/GOLF

NELSPRUIT GOLF CLUB/ ROUND TABLE CROC 205

FAVOURITE FOOD:

DISLIKES:

ANYTHING YOU CAN BRAAI

DISHONESTY

FAVOURITE DRINK:

HANDICAP INDEX:

BRANDY/RUM/RED WINE

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WHAT ABOUT NOMADS INTERESTS YOU:

THE CAMARADERIE, WORKING TOWARDS A COLLECTIVE GOAL.

FAVOURITE CITY VISITED:

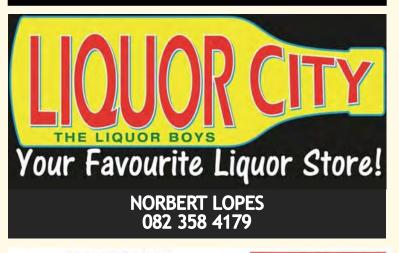
FAVOURITE GOLF COURSE PLAYED:

PORT LOUIS MAURITIUS

ILE AUX CERFS









ONE WAY RENTALS: ALL MAJOR CENTRES IN SOUTH AFRICA

NOMAD GREG CRUSE - 084 628 0244 NOMAD ROB VALENTYN - 083 626 7799



NELSPRUIT **T** 013 757 1189 WHITE RIVER **T** 013 750 1208

NOMAD KEITH KIRTON



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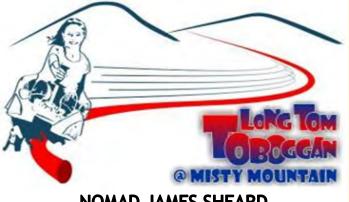
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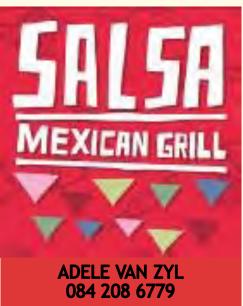


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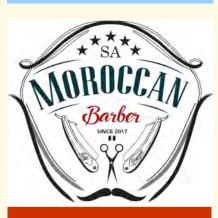


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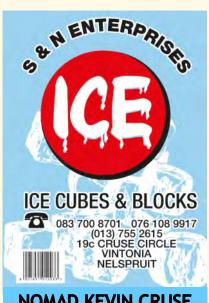


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THE GROVE CENTRE



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thankyou

2022 PLAYING CALENDAR

Month	Date	Venue	Special Event		
January	23	SABIE			
February	19	MBOMBELA	JOHN HANDLEY		
February	19	MBOMBELA	25TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER		
March	5-11	MOUNT EDGECOMBE	NOMADS NATIONALS		
March	27	BARBERTON	1ST ROUND: GARY PLAYER K/O		
April	21	MBOMBELA	LOWVELD NOMADS AGM		
April	24	WHITE RIVER	JOHN HANDLEY		
May	22	SKUKUZA			
Jun	26	MALELANE			
Jul	24	KAMBAKU			
Aug	28	MBOMBELA	JOHN HANDLEY		
Sep	18	WHITE RIVER	JOHN HANDLEY		
Oct	16	KPL			
Nov	13	WHITE RIVER	ANDREW MENTIS / JOHN HANDLEY		
Dec	4	MBOMBELA	GOLD CUP / JOHN HANDLEY		

For all your Nomads clothing needs...

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MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER NOVEMBER

16th JOHAN FERREIRA (P)

23rd MARCUS MDHLULI

25th EUGENE DU PREEZ

26th NEVILLE BLUM

17th ROWAN DITCHAM 21st GUS VAN NIEKERK

OCTOBER

3rd NIC ELLIOT



03rd ARTHUR DOUGLASS
09th WARREN SLABBERT
09th HANNATJIE DOUGLASS
10th MICHAEL GILL
20th DANNY SCHMULIAN
22nd IAN KIRBY
28th JASON HOGG

Bunkers difficult, Gary?





Newsletter content & interests

In keeping up with activities outside our normal Nomadic calendar and monthly meetings, and to add some spice into our monthly Newsletter, kindly assist with information gathering contributions for publication in our monthly Newsletter, Social Media platforms and Website.

Your contributions can be things such as births of children, milestone birthdays, special events or achievements, weddings or retirements, or any other valuable content to showcase in the newsletter.

You can send it directly to the Newsletter Editor:

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