



Dear Members

Despite the uncertainty of Covid Restrictions and the arrival of the 4th wave, silly season is upon us and Plett is filling up with holiday makers. Our Time Sheet for the season looks promising, however if there is one thing that this pandemic has taught us, is not to bank on anything! With South Africa being taken off the Red List we are ever hopeful that we will be seeing our Swallows in the New Year.

Our course is looking magnificent at the moment. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Paul Jacobs and the greens team, their input and drive have ensured that the condition of the course is certainly at a level that we are proud of.

Special thanks to Derek Chambers for his time and dedication to the gardens on the course and the club house surrounds.

Rodney Gray has worked tirelessly at the eradication of the many alien trees that invade our course. We are truly grateful to Rodney and the team of members that helped him. Rodney's hard work has gone a long way to improving the general manicuring of the course. On that note the Lantana surrounding our workshop and in other areas will be removed in the new year.

The loss of our beautiful oak trees on the 14th is tragic. They were an iconic part of our course, Robert O' Friel, our course designer has been contacted and will be giving us professional and valued input as to how we can best deal with the changes to the 14th

The 11th Tee box is looking quite magnificent, what a wonderful improvement it has proved to be. We hope to be playing off the newly sodded area fairly soon.

KC van Straaten very kindly facilitated a strategy session for the committee. His input has been invaluable. What emerged from the session, is the intent to attract and retain members, by offering the most exciting recreational and sporting experience possible. The committee was unanimous in our intent to deliver this, and a strategic plan is being put into place.

A few members have raised their concern for the welfare of the ball collectors on the course, please see the attached letter from Cliff Barnard detailing Gimme Golf's agreement with the Ball Collectors.

In closing, may I take this opportunity to wish you and yours a wonderful festive season and may 2022 bring us all good health and joy.

Yours sincerely

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