

NOMADS BOTSWANA



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Fellow Nomads

We have already played three monthly games. Guess what, times are moving fast and next month 2nd March will be our fourth game. Do you realise what that means? The year 2017 will be over just like that. Do not despair, I refer to those who have not played even one game. Remember there are away games and nine more games to make the minimum 6 games.

Please note that our next game this Thursday 2nd March has been shifted to Gaborone Golf Club due unplayable conditions at Phakalane.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SA Nationals will be held from the 11th - 17th March 2017 at Nelspruit Golf Club, Mpumalanga. Botswana Nomads will be ably represented by 15 of our guys. Already the team is bubbly with all systems ready to go and rumble. What I know is, there is top of the notch kind of spirit, the one that can bring the wall down with just a combined shout of faith. This will be closely followed by Zim Nationals from the 28th April, 2017 to the 2nd May, 2017.

SILVER TRAYS

All outstanding Silver Trays, badges and ties were distributed in our February game at Gaborone Golf Club. We are going to make sure that all due awards will be presented to the recipients timeously. I will present a Silver Tray to Louis Van Ravesteyn on the 2nd March 2017. He made 42 points on the 19th January 2017 at Phakalane.

GAMES AWARD

Elijah Jones will receive a 100 game badge on the 2nd March 2017

TIES

Marshall Huntingford will receive a 10 year old tie.

Robert Mpabanga will receive a 15 year old tie.

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100 Club Winners

December 2016	Winner	Sandy Kelly
January 2017	Winner	Gummy Garcin
February 2017	Winner	Venu Desaraju

THE MAJOR WINNERS WERE:

FEBRUARY: 2016

Best Guest	Winner	Meempat Narayan	27 of 8
C Division	Winner	Killiv Wessels	34 of 16
	Runner Up	Chris Engelbrecht	31 of 20
B Division	Winner	Mukesh Dullabhai	34 of 15
	Runner Up	Marvelous Shangare	31 of 12
A Division	Winner	Rodney Butau	30 of 03
	Runner Up	Tim Calvert	30 of 08
Most Golf	Winner	Raam Jayaram	16 of 10
Best Gross	Winner	Rodney Butau	77 of 03
Best Pair	Winner	Pravin Mistry Rodney Butau	61 of 16
Captains Score	Winner	Louis Van Heerden	31 points

Attendance: 80 players. Visitors: 5

Collected Competition Fees:

P 1600.00(80 players @ P20.00 each)

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Non Attendance Fine:

P850 was collected from 17 players who did not attend prize giving, sadly this speaks volumes. Instead of paying such a fine the idea is that we must all attend prize giving. In an effort to turn things around and accommodate our busy schedules which include family time, we shall start our prize giving on the dot at 6.30pm.

We shall shorten our announcement time during prize giving so that those who would like to carry on with other errands can do so thereafter. I shall urge you all my fellow Nomads to also assist by making sure we all should cooperate to achieve maximum results. Let us do this together guys. Thank you.

Fines Master was Moses Goto:

Moses, thank you for filling in the plate, even at short notice. You did a splendid job at short notice, it was shot and precise. Amount raised was: P 1030.00

Low Score from each group:

Amount collected was P 400.00

Total Amount Collected: P 3790.00 (+400 scoring)

Captains Comments

Thank you Gladys and Sabrina for assisting with scoring. Venu for the month of February, the use of the emails for game calling and the draw in the web site was a milestone. Thank you also to all who assisted with making our prize giving earlier than normal, your efforts are commendable.

There are a few Nomads who have up to now not provided Guy with the information he requested. We should be fully Samson compliant by our April game, the buck stops with all of us. I am aware that we have almost come to the point of saying that we are all members of a golf club. Let us all cooperate in this regard.

Please guys let us not wait until it's too late to complete the minimum required 6 games. Where possible play an away monthly game within four months before the game you anticipate you will miss or within two months thereafter.

I sent out our calendar to all of you which show our local and away games. Please try and plan accordingly so that you can participate in as many games as possible.

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PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED BY THE SPONSOR OF A PROSPECTIVE NOMAD

The following information is important to all of us regarding our guests. Should a guest show interest to be part of Nomads whether on his first game or not, then;

The sponsor is responsible to complete the application form with the Applicant. The application form must be handed over to the Membership Officer and pay the subscription fee of P 2300.

The Applicant must play a minimum of three games within six months. On the third game, Applicant will be announced at prize giving to allow for any objections.

On the fourth game, the Applicant will play with a Committee Member and His Sponsor, he will be inducted as a Nomad and handed his kit at Prize Giving.

Important: As a Sponsor, you are responsible for your Nomad throughout his Nomadic Career.

MEMBERSHIP

Only fully paid up members at both their respective clubs and Nomads, will be allowed to participate at our Nomads games. This information is brought up again as an emphasis only.

NOMADS NASHUA 4 BALL ALLIANCE

Now that 2016 winners have a story to tell about the benefits of this competition, courtesy of Nashua, Sean Irish and Louis Fourie, it's game on guys. It is still wide open for 2017 winners.

Three things had to happen. One, was to try and eliminate the non-participating players in this year's competition. Two, was to try and allow the draw to be done using the Samson System to equitably monitor and populate the monthly and eventually the overall winners of the individual groups. Thirdly, to make sure the groups will not be made up of the same pairs.

The delay in coming up with the draw will still have the desired results. The three scores in each group will be used for the order of merit as is the norm. The scores for the months of December, 2016, and from January 2017 will be entered into the

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system accordingly and shall credit all with all fairness. The following are the 4ball groups.

NASHUA 4BALL GROUPS 2017

GROUP 1	JJ Woolmarans	Barry Malan	Brian Jacques	Bhasker Nalamalapu
GROUP 2	Ooma Reddy	Tim Calvert	Marv Shangare	Ray Morgan
GROUP 3	Ishmael Mpofo	Arnie Oosthuizen	Killian Wessels	Neil Bushell
GROUP 4	CS Kim	Adam St Quinton	Jay Ramesh	Robert Evans
GROUP 5	Louis.Van Ravesteyn	Martin Colley	Keagakwa Kerileng	Wayne Jordaan
GROUP 6	Vinder Walia	Oliver Chapeyama	Trevor Burnett	Jason Craven Smith
GROUP 7	Venkit Iyer	Tumelo Selikane	Sean Irish	Newman Motsepe
GROUP 8	Dave Neill	Paul Schlebusch	Moses Goto	Ian West
GROUP 9	Mukesh Dullabhai	Andrew Field	Taff Williams	Rick Dunlop-Jones
GROUP 10	Joseph Machokoto	Charles J Van Vuuren	Garry Whittaker	Jimmy Wilson
GROUP 11	Venu Desaraju	Sandy Kelly	Rajesh Narasimhan	Solomon Muwori
GROUP 12	Ben Van Rooyen	Marshall Huntingford	Brent Rouse	PVR Reddy
GROUP 13	Schalk Coetzee	Raam Jayaram	Sean McCimmick	Tom Egner
GROUP 14	Bob Cunningham	Neil Withey	De Vrye Van Dyk	Steve Smith
GROUP 15	Elijah Jones	Bergsman Sentle	Charles Van Zyl	Marcus John Smith
GROUP 16	Dave Ross	Tawanda Makaya	Carlo Zucca	Charles Brownlee
GROUP 17	Barry Oconnell	Laxman Jay	James Graham	Marais Franken
GROUP 18	Pravin Mistry	SY Jo	Rob Woods	Jock Hampton
GROUP 19	Rod Phillips	Louis Fourie	Robert Mpabanga	Paul Chitate
GROUP 20	Rodney Butau	Anton Dahlmann	Richard Armstrong	Cliford Nsomba
GROUP 21	Graham Cloete	Richard Hope	Gary Johns	Chippy Denyer
GROUP 22	Avinash Bijoor	Modiri Phuthego	Martin De Klerk	Theuns Wessels
GROUP 23	Robert Lang	Ben Liu	Guy Zondah	Chris Engelbrecht
GROUP 24	Jay Salkin	Musa Siwela	Abe Botes	
GROUP 25	Pramod Patel	Michael Cookson	Hugh Ross	
GROUP 26	David Denbury	Eric Van Pul	Jonz Chansiku	

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Three Ball

The three, 3ball teams will be filled once we have inducted new members into Nomads or better still we need three Nomads to fill the three slots on groups 24, 25 and 26. Should there be a withdrawal on any 4ball the points earned by the withdrawer will fall away also. The points for the replacer will count from the 1st game after joining.

PRIZE SHEET

You will soon receive an updated Kit Prize form. If you require any kit please complete the form and send it to the Equipment Officer, Avinash Bijoor. Prices are indicated on the form therefore please make a payment and attach proof of payment so that your kit can be dispatched. The banking details are included in this newsletter.

ATTENDANCES

Thank you guys for participating at this month's game at Gaborone Golf Club. Let us enjoy our game, be merry and embrace our relations with the old time nomadic spirit. Honestly we do appreciate it and look forward to more participants and recruitment to increase our numbers albeit with young and vibrant applicants. "Our old guards" will always pass on the wisdom, thank you for your commitment to this great club.

PRIZE GIVING

I am sure you will agree with me that as a taste of what is to come, we had a crisp, shot and straight to the point prize giving. We spent approximately 20 minutes on it and with your assistance and cooperation believe you me our time to wrap up with prize giving will be between 10 and 20 minutes all the time.

So as we religiously begin our prize giving at 18.30 hours we will finish between 18.50 hours and 19.00 hours. This will allow who ever has some commitment elsewhere to fulfil both. If not we can enjoy the dinner provided by Stanbic and down it with a cold beer. In this regard I would like to urge all of you to assist with prompt and timeous 18.30 time for prize giving.

We are going to shorten our announcements to give way for the order of the day to take precedence. On a different note, may the winners of most golf prepare themselves to conduct the fines sessions at the next Nomads monthly games.

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GPKO

As a courteous reminder, all GPKO games must be played outside of our monthly games. Only the finals of both the GPKO and Plate will be played in the Gold Cup finals.

CONCLUSION:

I would like to thank my Committee and all who played our February game at Gaborone Golf Club. It was not easy for some guys who lost a lot of golf balls. The vegetation is not user friendly at all. However, allow me to say that our next game will be back at Gaborone on the 2nd March. My take is that Phakalane is not accommodative either at this time as the short rough is thick and uncompromising. The rains have made it harder for all of us.

Some Phakalane fairways are saturated with puddles of water and as it stands, its maintenance has been a mountain to climb. However even at Gaborone, my advice to you is that; stay on the fairway. It is easy to lose a golf ball even so close to the fairway.

Finally once the Samson System is ready, I shall include the Membership list which will show; number of years one has been a Nomad, number of Nomad games played to date and so forth in our next month's newsletter.

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