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LOWVELD NEWS



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2024 NEW YEAR!
Sunday 21st January @
Sabie Country Club

2024 National Tournament
10 - 15th March @
Koro Creek Golf Club, Modimolle,
Limpopo

Captain's Corner

Fellow Nomads, Sponsors and friends

We came to the end of another year that flew by. In a very short space of time, on 5 November and 3 December 2023 respectively, we hosted two of our biggest events in the year.

Our Annual Andrew Mentis Foundation Golf Day was held at Mbombela Golf Club on 5 November. I must congratulate the Management and thank the Members of Mbombela Golf Club, for the excellent condition of their course and for the use of their facilities on the day.



Congratulations to our Vice-Captain Puso Maloka on a very successful fundraising effort. Funds raised are going to the less fortunate in our community and a heartfelt "thank you" to all our sponsors and contributors, without whom it would not have been possible. ([read more...](#))

On behalf of Lowveld Nomads, Puso pledged an amount of R 300 000 to his two chosen beneficiaries, St John Care Centre and the Dasha Foundation. The presentation to the beneficiaries were made to show the value of projects or tangible goods that will be purchased and donated to the beneficiaries.

On the day, we also had the honour of hosting our National Chairman, Graham Bishop for his official visit to the Lowveld. We had our customary meeting and dinner on Saturday before the game with the committee and the Chairman, and I can report back that the National Executive Committee are very satisfied with our club and our members.

Thank you to my fourball, National Chairman Graham Bishop (left), guest Johan Oosthuizen (right) and Mbombela's Club Representative Sibusiso Sithole (far-right), for an enjoyable day.

Thank you to all our members welcoming Graham and letting him experience true Lowveld hospitality.



A hearty welcome and congratulations to our inductees of the day. Arnold le Roux (left) and Clive Cotterell (right).

I wish you both a very successful Nomadic career.

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THE NOMADS CREED

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

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Combined with our last monthly game for 2023, we played our Lowveld Gold Cup, which is a culmination of our members' golfing efforts for the year, on 3 December at White River Country Club. Congratulations to the Management and Staff of White River Country Club, on the excellent condition of their course. The morning snacks, coffee and lunch prepared by the restaurant were good, and their products are really good value for money.

Thanks to my fourball, Paul Marskell, the Captain of WRCC, Mxolisi Zwane and Macdonald Lelaka, as inductee, for a very enjoyable day. We didn't shoot lights out, but the company was great. To our inductee, MacDonald Lelaka, a hearty welcome. I hope you have a wonderful Nomadic career.



Well done to all our Winners at the Gold Cup and our Golfer of the year 2023, Marcus Mdhluli. The trick, Chief, is to successfully defend it!

Thank you to all the volunteers, locally and from across the country and Eswatini, for helping at the Alfred Dunhill Challenge, at Leopard Creek, held from the 7th to the 10th of December 2023. Without your, your family members and friends' assistance, it would not have been possible for Lowveld Nomads to successfully complete the tournament duties. Well done, Golorama Coordinator, Rudi Nel and your team, who really did a great job with organizing everything - from carts and accommodation, to food and drinks.

I am looking forward to welcoming all back at Sabie Country Club, on 21st January 2024, our kick-off game for the year. As the year starts, we also say goodbye to **Glenbrynth Whiskey** and **MOTUS** as National Sponsors. They have given a lot through the many years, so continue to support them where you can. Watch this space for exciting new National Sponsors coming on board.

I wish everyone a very prosperous 2024.

Lowveld Captain, Johan Janse van Rensburg

MacDonald Lelaka, Inductee



Marcus Mdhluli, Golfer of the Year 2023



Paul Marskell, the Captain of WRCC



Golf Cup moments...



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The values singled out by Gary Adams are still revered and practiced today at TaylorMade, adidas Golf as we continue to deliver products that help players of all skill levels reach their potential. Since 1979 our mission has remained the same: Create the Best Performing Golf Products in the World.

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Until then the toast remains "OUR SPONSORS!"

ANDREW MENTIS NOMADS FOUNDATION NPC

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

THE 2023 ANDREW MENTIS GOLF DAY

Vice-Captain, Puso Maloka hosted another great Andrew Mentis golf day on Sunday, 5th November at Mbombela Golf Club, with a field of 128 players, which included 60 Lowveld and 4 visiting Nomads, 3 prospective members and 61 Guests.

Through the efforts of the Andrew Mentis Committee, with several fundraising initiatives and raffles, more than **R300,000** was raised during the year.



The annual activities culminate with a presentation to selected beneficiaries, at the annual Andrew Mentis golf day. The value of projects or tangible goods, that will be purchased and donated to the beneficiaries, was handed over to them. This year, the Lowveld Nomads Club has selected the following beneficiaries for 2023:

ST. JOHN'S CARE CENTER

A place of care, a place of hope, a place of life ... for those infected with HIV/AIDS



St John Care Centre: A Non-Profit Organisation (NPO), providing compassionate loving care and support for orphaned and abandoned, HIV infected children in homely environment. A donation to the value of **R 200 000** was handed to St John Care Centre. The donation was utilised to furnish their independent living centre. Presently there are 51 children in their care, ranging from 2 - 19 years old.

Dasha Foundation: A school for disabled children in Nelspruit. At present the Foundation has three Facilities, namely a Stimulation Centre for seriously Disabled Children, an Educational School for Children who can receive teaching according to their abilities, and a Protective Workshop to which children from the school, and other adults can go to receive skills training and produce saleable goods. A donation to the value of **R 100 000** was handed to Dasha Foundation.

None of this would be possible without the generous donations from the Lowveld Nomad Members, their Companies and Business Partners, as well as several local businesses and individuals who openheartedly donated something to help raise funds.



A big thank you to the Andrew Mentis Committee for their tireless efforts in raising funds for those less privileged.

We thank all those who participated and openheartedly donated something, who purchased raffle tickets or sponsored prizes towards this awesome cause.

Puso Maloka, Vice Captain

ANDREW MENTIS NOMADS FOUNDATION NPC

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THE 2023 ANDREW MENTIS GOLF DAY MOMENTS



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MATCHBOX WINNERS through the year...

JANUARY



Randal Pillay
'22/16'

FEBRUARY



Piet Roux
'20/16'

MARCH



Mike Field
'19/12'

APRIL



Keith Erasmus
'21/12'

MAY



Ryan Matheson '20/3'

JUNE



Hennie Venter
'20/8'

JULY



Grant Goldstone
(Eswatini) '24/8'

AUGUST



Rob Valentyn '23/9'

SEPTEMBER



Eugene du Preez '23/8'



OCTOBER

Michael Gill '22/7'



NOVEMBER

Eugene du Preez '18/9'



DECEMBER:
NEIL SHORT '26/20'



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership Status	Jan-2020	Jan-2021	Jan-2022	Jan-2023	Dec-2023
HONORARY LIFE	0	0	0	0	0
HONORARY	2	1	4	4	5
FULL PLAYING	73	72	69	66	66
ASSOCIATE	0	0	0	0	0
NON-PLAYING	9	9	10	10	8
NON-ACTIVE	0	1	1	1	1
SUSPENSIVE	0	0	0	0	0
SPONSOR LOCAL	1	1	1	1	1
SPONSOR NATIONAL	0	0	0	0	0
TRANSFEREE	0	0	0	0	0
Total	85	84	85	82	81
Prospective members	1	3	0	2	3

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

Deceased

Carel Triegaardt sadly passed away on 17th October 2023. Carel was inducted on 28 December 2004 and was an active member for 63 games. Carel was forced to give up his golfing several years ago as a result of cancer, but remained a non-playing member of the club.

Resignations

Since June 2023, a few long-standing members resigned. **Founder Roger Braithwaite, Clive Worthington, Greg Cruse, Hennie Venter, Greg Rattray** and **Keegan Phelan** all resigned good standing. We wish them all well for the future.

Member Inductions

Since June 2023 **Kobus Badenhorst, Dawie Smuts (Jnr), Derrick Nkambule, Arnold Le Roux, Clive Cotterell,** and **MacDonald Laleka** were inducted as Full Playing Members into our Club. We wish you all a prosperous Nomadic career!

Prospective Members

Jacques Fourie, Arno Veldtman, and **Zandile Mkize** were accepted as new Prospective Members. Zandile will be introduced to our Members in January.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

If any of your personal information OR circumstances change, (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.

Please contact our Membership Officer, Mike Field.



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NOMAD MARCUS MDHLULI
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NOMAD BRIAN HOGG
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MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE...

Neville Blum walked into our Andrew Mentis prizegiving with pride, following several months' of struggles after his hip-replacement surgery. A little while further Neville, and we will see you on the course again soon.

Nic de Beer has suffered a severe stroke, but is taken care of by Physio's. He is slowly gaining his strength back, but still a long road ahead.

Pieter Viljoen underwent surgery and completed his Chemotherapy treatment. He is back on the golf course, and is doing really well.

Our Ladies, **Hannatjie Douglass** and **Karen Bullen** have not yet fully recovered following medical ailments. It will be great to see you at our games soon!

Please keep all of them in your thoughts during this trying period.

Get well soon, Ladies & Gentlemen!

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY

02nd GERALD BULLEN
04th DAWIE SMUTS (40th)
18th STEPHEN COLLINS
27th NICO DE WET
28th XOLANI ZWANE
30th JASON DAVIS

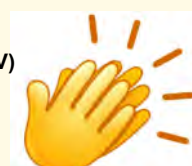


FEBRUARY

01st MARK ROTTCHER
02nd MAURICE MEYER
03rd CLIVE COTTERELL
08th JOHAN JANSE VAN RENSBURG
10th DYLAN PETERSON
17th KEVIN CRUSE
18th ROB MCLAGAN
23rd THOMAS HATTINGH
26th RUDI NEL
28th NEIL SHORT
28th BRIAN SPRINGORUM
29th JAMES SHEARD (60th)

Prizes: **WHITE RIVER**, 05 DECEMBER 2023

HOLE-IN-ONE <i>Sponsor: Knittex</i>	NOT WON	TRIFECTA <i>Sponsor: Lowveld Nomads</i>	NOT WON
GAME ATTENDANCE DRAW <i>Sponsor: Kruger Park Lodge</i>		KPL Accommodation Voucher	EUGENE DU PREEZ
GAME ATTENDANCE DRAW <i>Sponsor: Glenbrynth Scotch Whisky</i>		1 x 3 years Glenbrynth Whisky 1 x Single Malt Glenbrynth Whisky 1 x 12 years Glenbrynth Whisky	PUSO MALOKA DAWIE SMUTS BRANDON STAINTHORPE
ANDREW MENTIS LOTTO DRAW		R1,000 cash prize	JAMES SHEARD
ANDREW MENTIS RAFFLE		1kg Rump Steak 2kg Rump Steak	MACDONALD LELAKA HYLTON HALFPENNY
NEAREST TO THE PIN'S <i>Sponsor: Anonymous Biltong Hamper</i>		Hole # 03 Hole # 05 Hole # 09 Hole # 12 Hole # 17	LUIGI COLMANET ROB VALENTYN JASON HOGG PIET ROUX BRIAN SPRINGORUM
RUNNER-UP BEST PLAYING PAIR <i>Sponsors: La Mer Petroleum, Hi-Q Nelspruit, Jock Pub & Grill, Glenbrynth</i>		71 points (C/O), combined handicap of 21	JASON DAVIS ROB MCLAGAN
BEST PLAYING PAIR <i>Sponsors: Makhushu Transport, Hi-Q Nelspruit, Jock Pub & Grill, Glenbrynth</i>		71 points (C/I), combined handicap of 19	STEPHEN COLLINS MATTHEW STRYDOM (V)
RUNNER-UP BEST PLAYING 4-BALL <i>Sponsors: Mep's & Plastic Man, Upperdeck Elmadre Butchery</i>		132 points, combined handicap of 35	STEPHEN COLLINS MATTHEW STRYDOM (V) CHALMERS PAGIWA RYAN MATHESON
BEST PLAYING 4-BALL <i>Sponsors: SAB, Glenbrynth, Salsa Mexican Grill, MOTUL</i>		133 points, combined handicap of 46	LUIGI COLMANET JASON DAVIS IAN KIRBY ROB MCLAGAN
RUNNER-UP C-DIVISION <i>Sponsors: Glenbrynth, Standard Bank, SA Moroccan Barber</i>		36 points, handicap 17 (C/O)	DERRICK SHORT
RUNNER-UP B-DIVISION <i>Sponsors: Glenbrynth, Standard Bank, SA Moroccan Barber</i>		38 points, handicap 13	JASON DAVIS
RUNNER-UP A-DIVISION <i>Sponsors: Glenbrynth, Standard Bank, SA Moroccan Barber</i>		37 points, handicap 7	MATTHEW STRYDOM (V)
WINNER C-DIVISION <i>Sponsors: Sizamanzi Pipes & Fittings, Glenbrynth, The Pro Shop</i>		36 points, handicap 17 (C/I)	MIKE FIELD
WINNER B-DIVISION <i>Sponsors: Sizamanzi Pipes & Fittings, Glenbrynth, The Pro Shop</i>		41 points, handicap 11	ROB VALENTYN
WINNER A-DIVISION <i>Sponsors: Sizamanzi Pipes & Fittings, Glenbrynth, The Pro Shop</i>		38 points, handicap 4	JOHN ROBSON
WINNER PAST & PRESENT CAPTAINS <i>Sponsor: B&H Irrigation</i>		41 points, handicap 11	ROB VALENTYN
BEST DRAWN 4-BALL <i>Sponsor: Misty Mountain Lodge</i>		137 points, combined handicap of 56	BRIAN HOGG MACDONALD LELAKA MIKE FIELD IAN KIRBY
WORST PLAYING 4-BALL <i>Sponsor: SA Breweries</i>		110 points, combined handicap of 35	ARNO VELDTMAN (P) BRIAN SPRINGORUM ROB DOUGLASS WARREN SLABBERT
LONGEST DAY & MATCHBOX <i>Sponsor: White River Garden Pavilion, SA Moroccan Barber, The Pro Shop</i>		26 points, handicap 20 (C/I)	NEIL SHORT



Congratulations to our winners

Prizes: *WHITE RIVER*, 05 DECEMBER 2023



Glenbrynth Whisky Attendance Draw (f.l.t.r)

3-Y/O Glenbrynth Whisky: Puso Maloka

Single Malt Whisky: Dawie Smuts

12-Y/O Glenbrynth Whisky: Brandon Stainthorpe



Eugene du Preez winning the Kruger Park
Lodge Accommodation Voucher



Winners of the Steak raffle for Andrew Mentis (f.l.t.r.)

1kg - MacDonald Lelaka, 2kg - Hylton Halfpenny



Past & Present Captain's winner:
Rob Valentyn - 41 points, 11 h/cap



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

Hole # 09 - Jason Hogg

Hole # 12 - Piet Roux

Hole # 05 - Rob Valentyn

Hole # 03 - Luigi Colmanet

Hole # 17 - Brian Springorum

Prizes: *WHITE RIVER*, 05 DECEMBER 2023

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

Rob McLagan,
Luigi Colmanet,
Ian Kirby,
and Jason Davis

133 pts, off a
combined h/cap of 46



(Below) The Best Playing Pair were (f.l.t.r)
Stephen Collins and Matthew Strydom
71 points, combined h'cap of 19



The division winners (f.l.t.r.):

Rob Valentyn (B-division) 41pts, 11 h/cap

Mike Field (C-division) 36 pts, 17 h/cap

John Robson (C-division) 38pts, 4 h/cap



The Worst Playing 4-ball
(f.l.t.r.):

110 pts, 35 combined h/cap

Arno Veldtman (P),
Rob Douglass,
Warren Slabbert, and
Brian Springorum



GOLD CUP Winners: 05 DECEMBER 2023

COMPETITION	POSITION	SCORE	H'CAP	WINNER
GOLDEN MATCHBOX	WINNER	41	11	ROB VALENTYN
OVER 55	RUNNER-UP	74	16.5	JOHN STEPHEN
	WINNER	76	10.5	ROB VALENTYN
JOHN HANDLEY	THIRD PLACE - C DIVISION	102	16.67	JOHAN J V RENSBURG
	THIRD PLACE - B DIVISION	101	10.67	DYLAN PETERSON
	THIRD PLACE - A DIVISION	103	3.67	RONALD NCUBE
JOHN HANDLEY	RUNNER-UP - C DIVISION	105	15.67	GUS VAN NIEKERK
	RUNNER-UP - B DIVISION	101	10.33	EUGENE DU PREEZ
	RUNNER-UP - A DIVISION	105	8	BRIAN HOGG
JOHN HANDLEY	WINNER - C DIVISION	107	14.67	JASON DAVIS
	WINNER - B DIVISION	107	9.33	KEVIN CRUSE
	WINNER - A DIVISION	105	4.33	ALEC BLAIR
JOHN HANDLEY	OVERALL WINNER	107	9.33	KEVIN CRUSE
ECLECTIC	THIRD PLACE - C DIVISION	47.93	10.93	MARCUS MDHLULI
	THIRD PLACE - B DIVISION	46.6	5.6	ARTHUR DOUGLASS
	THIRD PLACE - A DIVISION	47.06	0.06	LUIGI COLMANET
ECLECTIC	RUNNER-UP - C DIVISION	48.53	8.53	JOHN STEPHEN
	RUNNER-UP - B DIVISION	47.2	4.2	PUSO MALOKA
	RUNNER-UP - A DIVISION	47.41	3.41	BRIAN HOGG
ECLECTIC	WINNER - C DIVISION	49.86	9.86	ALBERT HATTINGH
	WINNER - B DIVISION	48.02	5.02	DYLAN PETERSON
	WINNER - A DIVISION	50.07	0.07	ALEC BLAIR
ECLECTIC	OVERALL WINNER	50.07	0.07	ALEC BLAIR
ANDREW MENTIS	THIRD PLACE - C DIVISION	172	19.2	NICK ELLOIT
	THIRD PLACE - B DIVISION	166	9.8	BERNIE OLBRICH
	THIRD PLACE - A DIVISION	170	4.6	ALEC BLAIR
ANDREW MENTIS	RUNNER-UP - C DIVISION	172	17.2	ALBERT HATTINGH
	RUNNER-UP - B DIVISION	168	10	ROB VALENTYN
	RUNNER-UP - A DIVISION	172	4	JOHN ROBSON
ANDREW MENTIS	WINNER - C DIVISION	176	15.6	JASON DAVIS
	WINNER - B DIVISION	174	9.6	PUSO MALOKA
	WINNER - A DIVISION	176	8.6	BRIAN HOGG
ANDREW MENTIS	OVERALL WINNER	176	8.6	BRIAN HOGG
GARY PLAYER KNOCK OUT	RUNNERS UP PLATE	56	31	XOLANI ZWANE BEN NKABULE
	WINNERS PLATE	63	27	GREG LOOCK BENNIE VAN NIEKERK
	RUNNERS UP MAIN DRAW	57	37	RANDAL PILLAY KIMREN PATHER
	WINNERS MAIN DRAW	62	22	RUDI NEL ALBERT HATTINGH
GOLD CUP	WINNER - C DIVISION	41.8	16.8	JASON DAVIS
	WINNER - B DIVISION	39.8	9.8	ROB VALENTYN
	WINNER - A DIVISION	38.2	4.2	JOHN ROBSON
MOTUS CHALLENGE	3 RD PLACE	266	16,38	PUSO MALOKA
	RUNNER-UP	268	6,38	BRIAN HOGG
	WINNER	270	7,38	JASON DAVIS
PAST & PRESENT CAPTAINS	WINNER	207	8.5	BRAIN HOGG
GOLFER OF THE YEAR	WINNER	374	17.67	MARCUS MDHLULI

Congratulations to our Gold Cup winners

GOLD CUP Prizes: 05 DECEMBER 2023



Winner of the GOLDEN MATCHBOX
Rob Valentyn... 41 points



Winner of the OVER-55
Rob Valentyn... 76 points

(Below) Winners JOHN HANDLEY Trophy (f.l.t.r.): Alec Blair (A), Kevin Cruse (B) and Jason Davis (C)
Overall Winner: Kevin Cruse (107 points)



(Below) Winners ANDREW MENTIS Trophy (f.l.t.r.):
Brian Hogg (A), Puso Maloka (B) and Jason Davis (C)
Overall Winner: Brian Hogg (176 points)



GOLD CUP Prizes: 05 DECEMBER 2023

Winners ECLECTIC (f.l.t.r.):

Alec Blair (A),

Dylan Peterson (B), and

Albert Hattingh (C)

Overall Winner: Alec Blair (50.07 points)



Winners of the GARY PLAYER Knockout PLATE (f.l.t.r.): Greg Look and Bennie van Niekerk



Winners of the GARY PLAYER Knockout CUP (f.l.t.r.): Rudi Nel and Albert Hattingh



Winners of the GOLD CUP Trophies in each division (f.l.t.r.):

Jason Davis (C-division),
41.8 points, avg h'cap 16.8



Rob Valentyn (B-division),
39.8 points, avg h'cap 9.8



John Robson (A-division),
38.2 points, avg h'cap 8.2



GOLD CUP Prizes: 05 DECEMBER 2023



**Winners of the
MOTUS CHALLENGE
(f.l.t.r.):**

**Winner: Jason Davis
270 points**

**3rd Puso Maloka
266 points**

**2nd Brian Hogg
268 points**

**Winners of the PAST &
PRESENT CAPTAINS
challenge (f.l.t.r.):**

**3rd Arthur Douglass
196 points**

**2nd Rob Valentyn
196 points**

**Winner: Brian Hogg
207 points**



**Ultimately, the day
(and year) belonged to
the President of
Mbombela Golf Club,

MARCUS MDHLULI**

**GOLFER OF THE YEAR
(374 points)**

**That is an average of
31.17 in 12-games**



Gold Cup moments...



2024 PLAYING CALENDAR

Date	Venue	Monthly Game Event
Sunday, 21 Jan 2024	Sabie Country Club	John Handley
Sunday, 18 Feb 2024	Barberton Golf Club	
Sunday, 24 Mar 2024	Mbombela Golf Club	1 st round Gary Player K/O
Sunday, 14 Apr 2024	White River Country Club	
Sunday, 19 May 2024	Skukuza Golf Club	John Handley
Sunday, 09 Jun 2024	Kruger Park Lodge	John Handley
Sunday, 21 Jul 2024	Malelane Golf Club	John Handley
Sunday, 18 Aug 2024	White River Country Club	
Sunday, 15 Sep 2024	Sabie Country Club	
Sunday, 06 Oct 2024	Mbombela Golf Club	Andrew Mentis 2024
Sunday, 10 Nov 2024	White River Country Club	John Handley
Sunday, 01 Dec 2024	Mbombela Golf Club	John Handley & GoldCup

Please contact our MATCH SECRETARY, **Brandon Stainthorpe** for further information, or to enter the monthly games.

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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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The Editing Team will review the content and if appropriate, publish it accordingly... We care about our Members and want to share in your celebrations!



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Special Events & Dates			
Dates (from - to)		Event	Venue
Sunday, 10 March 2024	Friday, 15 March 2024	SA Nomads Nationals	Koro Creek, Limpopo
Thursday, 11 April 2024		Lowveld AGM	Mbombela Golf Club
Thursday, 02 May 2024	Saturday, 04 May 2024	ZIM Nomads Nationals	Elephant Hills
Friday, 12 July 2024	Sunday, 14 July 2024	UK Nomads Nationals	St. Pierre Country Club
Wednesday, 24 July 2024	Saturday, 27 July 2024	ZAM Nomads Nationals	Bonanza Golf Club
Saturday, 07 Sept. 2024	Sunday, 08 Sept. 2024	Southern Natal 40th Anniversary	San Lameer Country Club
Thursday, 19 Sept. 2024	Saturday, 21 Sept. 2024	BOTS Nomads Nationals	Gabarone Golf Club
Thursday, 24 Oct.2024	Sunday, 27 Oct. 2024	AUS Nomads Nationals	TBC



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Around the course, not-so-common birds...



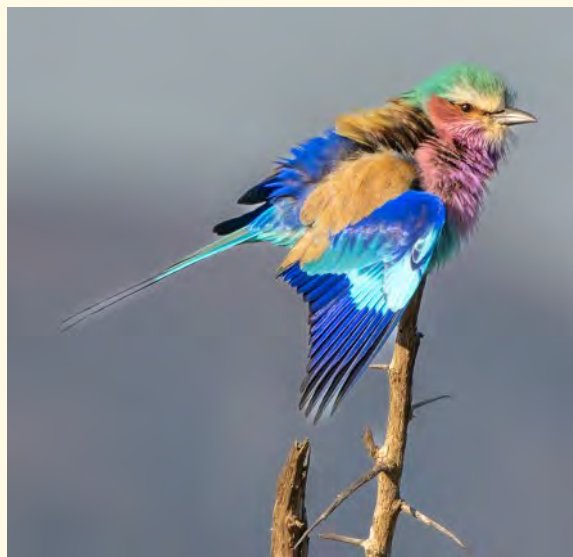
Swainson's Spurfowl

(Bosveldfisant) or Swainson's francolin is native to Southern Africa. In the Shona language in Zimbabwe, this bird is called the Chikwari.



The Golden-breasted Bunting (Rooirugstreepkoppie)

breeding pair, occurs in dry open woodlands and moist savanna in Africa, south of the Sahara.



The Lilac-breasted Roller

(Troupant) is an African bird, widely distributed in Southern and Eastern Africa. It prefers open woodland and savanna.



The Pearl-spotted Owlet

(Witkoluil) is a small bird of prey found in sub-Saharan Africa.



The Three-banded Plover

(Driebandstrandkiewiet) is a common and widespread species of wading bird, found over most over most of the southern half of Africa .



The African Jacana

(Grootlangtoon) is a wader and has long toes and claws that enables it to walk on floating vegetation in shallow lakes, its preferred habitat.



The Black Crake

(Swartriethaan) is a waterbird that breeds in most of sub-saharan Africa except in very arid areas.

Great memories through the year...



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