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VICTORIAN



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RISING TOGETHER

FROM 37 TO 33

IN SOUTH AFRICA'S
TOP 100 COURSES

A reflection of passion,
standards and the strength
of our community.

PEOPLE OF VICTORIA

The heart behind
the progress

COURSE EXCELLENCE

The detail. The dedication.
The difference.

LOOKING AHEAD

Building on momentum.
Creating legacy.



THE VICTORIAN

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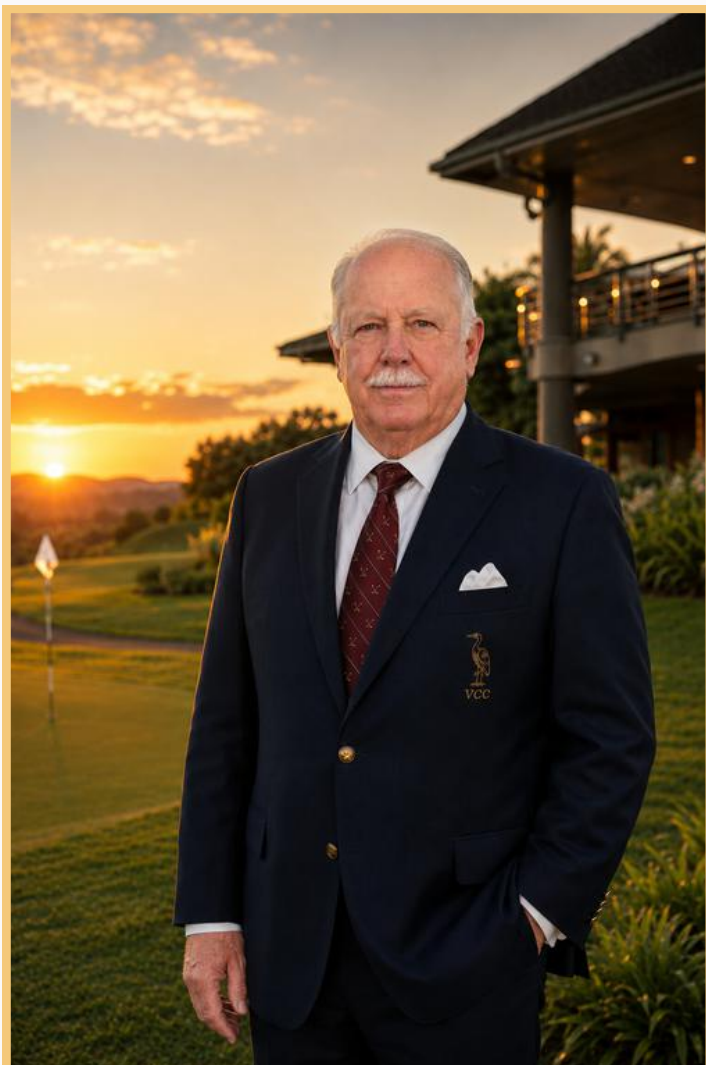
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*Victoria Country
Club*
Wednesday
SCHOOL
27 May 2026



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



RECOGNITION EARNED THROUGH COMMITMENT AND PRIDE

Victoria Country Club's improvement in the Golf Digest South Africa rankings this year, moving from number 37 to number 33 nationally, is a tremendous achievement and one that everybody associated with the club should be genuinely proud of.

This recognition reflects an enormous amount of hard work and commitment from many people across the club – including the golf committee, management, the course and grounds staff, and those who contribute quietly behind the scenes each day to ensure Victoria continues to improve and grow.

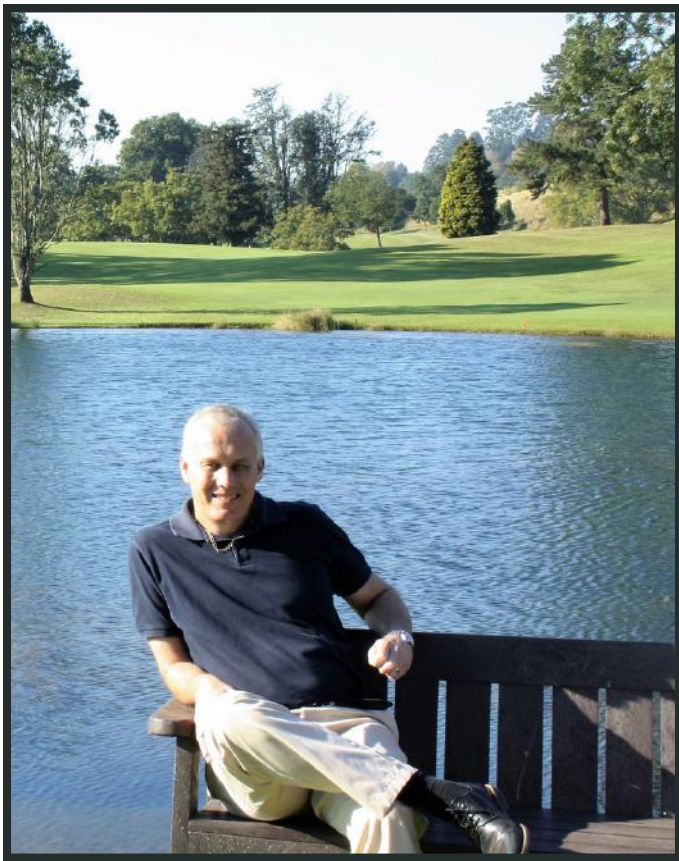
Special mention must go to the grounds team, whose dedication and pride in the course are visible throughout the property. The presentation and condition of the course are a credit to the countless hours of work that go into maintaining the standards that members and visitors have come to appreciate.

There is a real sense of momentum around the club at present, and it is encouraging to see the efforts of so many people being recognised on a national level. While rankings are never achieved by one individual or department alone, they are a reflection of the collective commitment and care that exists throughout the club.

Most importantly, this achievement belongs to the people who continue to give their time, energy, and passion toward making Victoria Country Club something special.

To everyone involved – thank you, and well done. The recognition is richly deserved.

Lawrence Hoatson



GENERAL MANAGER'S MESSAGE



ESSENCE OF CONSISTENCY LIES IN THE FINEST OF IMPROVEMENTS

Having heard the news that we were promoted to 33rd position nationally certainly creates a tremendous sense of pride – something felt not only by the staff and management, but by the membership as well.

Part of being a member of a club is taking pride in your home course, and Victoria Country Club is certainly deserving of that pride. During your travels and rounds at other clubs, it is always wonderful when members speak positively about Victoria, share the features that make our course special, and ultimately give others a genuine reason to come and experience the club for themselves.

The continued growth and recognition of the club is not achieved by staff alone. It is strengthened by an active and engaged membership that supports club events, welcomes visitors, promotes the club within the broader golfing community, and contributes to the atmosphere that makes Victoria such a special place.

The essence of consistency in national rankings often lies in the finest of improvements – many of which the average golfer may not immediately notice – yet these are often the details that make the biggest difference. From course conditioning and presentation to service standards and the overall member experience, continual improvement in the small areas collectively shapes the reputation of the club.

As we continue striving to improve and build on this momentum, the support and involvement of our members remains one of the most important parts of the journey. Together, we all play a role in shaping the future success of Victoria Country Club.

-Mark



SUPRIE- TENDING THE COURSE



THE STANDARD BEHIND THE SUCCESS

What It Takes to Keep Victoria Country Club Among South Africa's Finest
Every great golf course tells a story.

Not only through its fairways, greens, and bunkers – but through the people who rise before sunrise, work through changing seasons, study every detail, and dedicate themselves to creating excellence day after day.

At Victoria Country Club, the recent climb from #37 to #33 in Golf Digest South Africa's Top 100 Courses is more than a number. It is the result of relentless commitment, precision, passion, and teamwork led by Course Superintendent Kriben Gounder and his dedicated maintenance team.

While members and visitors experience the beauty of perfectly striped fairways, pristine greens, and immaculate course presentation, much of the real work happens quietly behind the scenes.

Maintaining a championship-level golf course requires constant attention to detail. From turf management and irrigation systems to bunker consistency, drainage, mowing patterns, seasonal preparation, and environmental care – every aspect of the course demands expertise and planning.

It is a daily pursuit of perfection. Weather conditions, rainfall, changing temperatures, heavy play, tournaments, and natural wear all place enormous pressure on a golf course throughout the year. Yet despite these challenges, Victoria Country Club continues to present a course that not only meets expectations, but consistently exceeds them.

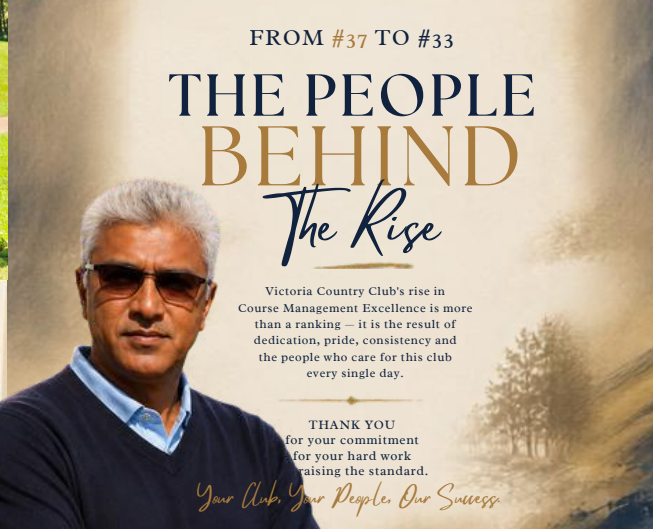
Under the leadership of **Kriben Gounder**, the maintenance team has embraced a culture of pride and professionalism that is clearly reflected across the property. Their work ensures that Victoria Country Club remains not only visually stunning, but strategically playable, sustainable, and worthy of national recognition.

What makes this achievement even more meaningful is that it reflects the collective effort of an entire club community. The course rankings are not built on facilities alone – they are built on standards, consistency, atmosphere, and the people who care deeply about protecting and improving the club's legacy.

The climb to #33 is a milestone the entire Victoria family can celebrate. To Kriben and his team, thank you for the early mornings, the long days, the unseen effort, and the unwavering commitment to excellence. Your passion continues to shape the identity of Victoria Country Club and reinforces its place among South Africa's premier golfing destinations.

As the club continues to grow and evolve, one thing remains certain:
Great courses are not maintained by machines alone.

They are built by people who truly care.



VICTORIA
COUNTRY CLUB

FROM #37 TO #33

THE PEOPLE
BEHIND
The Rise

Victoria Country Club's rise in Course Management Excellence is more than a ranking – it is the result of dedication, pride, consistency and the people who care for this club every single day.

THANK YOU
for your commitment
for your hard work
for raising the standard.

Your Club. Your People. Our Success.

LIFESTYLE AT VICTORIA

WHERE VICTORIA COMES TOGETHER

SPACES, CELEBRATIONS, CONNECTIONS.

From intimate dinners to grand celebrations, Victoria Country Club offers a collection of beautiful venues and experiences designed to bring people together.

VENUES DESIGNED FOR EVERY OCCASION



EGRET ROOM

Elegant and versatile, the perfect setting for private celebrations, lunches and special gatherings.



VICTORIA SUITE

Sophisticated, spacious and breathtaking – ideal for weddings, banquets and corporate functions.



MAIN FUNCTION VENUE

A large, flexible space that accommodates milestone celebrations, conferences and community events.



REGGIE'S BAR

The heart of the club. Great food, great company and an atmosphere that makes every visit memorable.

GOOD FOOD, GREAT COMPANY. LASTING MEMORIES.



CELEBRATE LIFE'S SPECIAL MOMENTS

At Victoria, every occasion is elevated by exceptional spaces, warm hospitality and attention to detail that ensures your event is unforgettable.

-  WEDDINGS
-  BIRTHDAYS
-  ANNIVERSARIES
-  CORPORATE EVENTS
-  GOLF DAYS & PRIZEGIVINGS
-  CULTURAL & PRIVATE CELEBRATIONS



"It's not just the space that makes the occasion – it's the people, the memories and the moments we share."

ACTIVE LIFE AT VICTORIA

Our sports and family facilities are designed for all ages and skill levels – from friendly games to serious competition.

Play. Connect. Thrive.



SQUASH



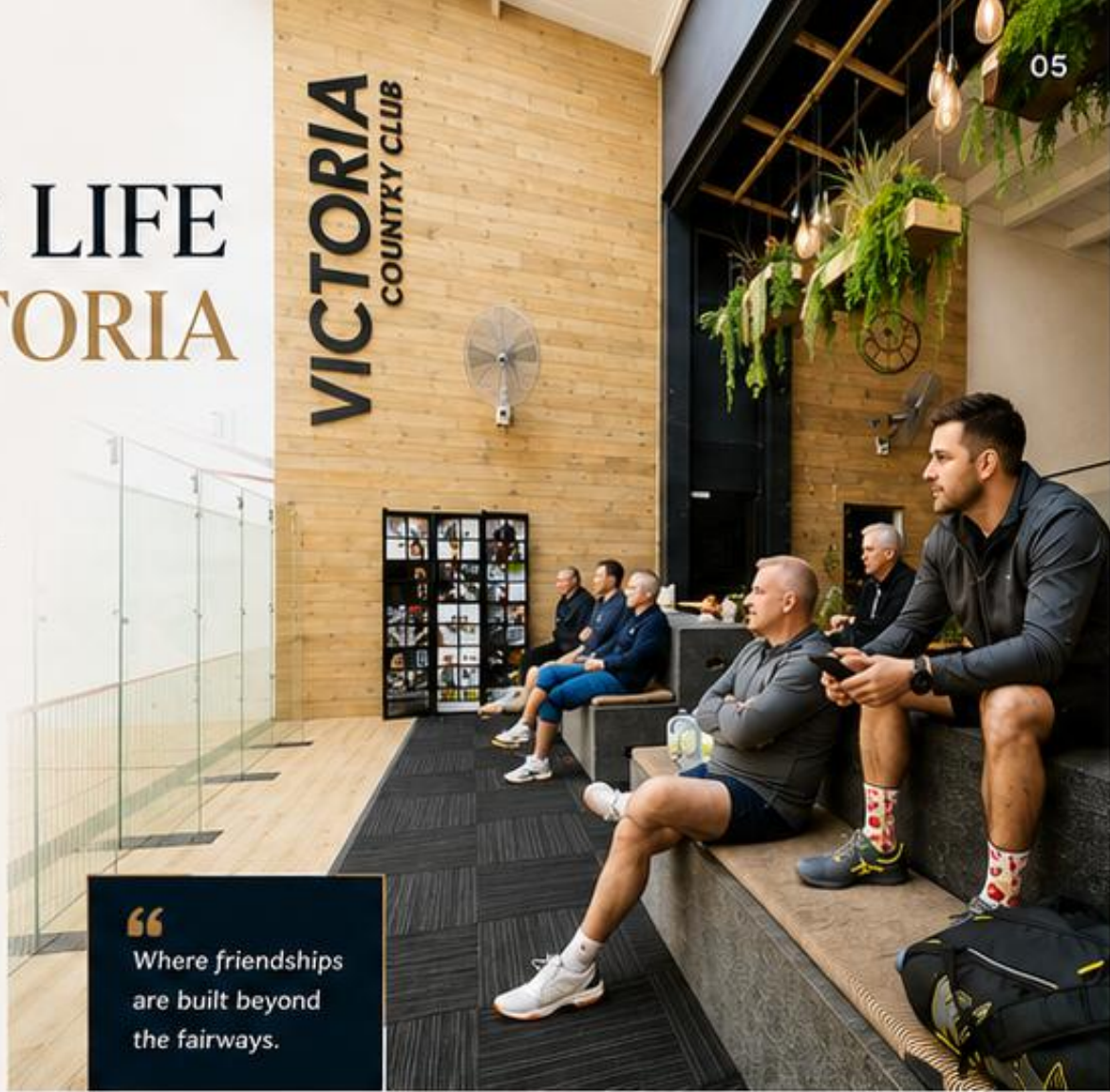
TENNIS



FAMILY CLUBHOUSE



REGGIE'S BAR



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Where friendships are built beyond the fairways.



SQUASH

Book your court through Victoria Country Club. Great for fitness, focus and friendly competition.



TENNIS

Coaching, matches and social play for juniors and adults. Book your court through Victoria Country Club.



PICKLEBALL COMING SOON

One of the world's fastest-growing sports is arriving at Victoria. Stay tuned!



THE EGRET KIDS CLUBHOUSE

A safe, fun and engaging space where kids play, learn and make new friends while parents relax and enjoy the club.



A CLUB DESIGNED FOR EVERY GENERATION.

Where friendships grow beyond the fairways.



ACTIVE LIFESTYLE



FAMILY FOCUSED



COMMUNITY DRIVEN



MEMORIES THAT LAST

THE VICTORIA PRECINCT

Located on the grounds of Victoria Country Club, a collection of independent partners and facilities bring even more choice, convenience and enjoyment to our members and their guests.



PADEL COURTS

High-quality padel facilities available on the Victoria precinct for members and their guests.



SAYBAN'S INDIAN CUISINE

Authentic Indian flavours crafted with passion – the perfect choice for lunch or dinner.



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HAIR & BEAUTY



SPORT



DINING



WELLNESS



LIFESTYLE



CONNECTION

*Everything you love,
all in one destination.*

A LEGACY THAT CONTINUES

For generations, Victoria Country Club has been more than a destination — it has been a place where friendships are formed, traditions are honoured and memories are made.

Rooted in heritage and shaped by community, Victoria continues to evolve as a place where sport, lifestyle and connection come together *beautifully.*



Victoria Country Club

— ESTABLISHED IN 1859 —

110 YEARS AND COUNTING
HERITAGE. COMMUNITY. LIFESTYLE.



YOUR PLACE TO PLAY, CONNECT AND BELONG.



VICTORIA COUNTRY CLUB

— ESTABLISHED IN 1859 —

MAY 2026

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
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| 25 PREMIER LEAGUE @ DURBAN CC ALLERTON LEAGUE @ CAMELOT GC | 26 LADIES GOLF SQUASH LEAGUE | 27  WEDNESDAY SCHOOL BY AZALEA ROTARY | 28  MARITZBURG COLLEGE OLD BOYS GOLF DAY | 29  PMB CANCER GOLF DAY | 30  MATCHPLAY CHAMPS | 31  MATCHPLAY CHAMPS |

JUNE 2026

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
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| 8 | 9 LADIES OPEN | 10 WEDNESDAY SCHOOL BY USHER ATTORNEYS | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 | 16  | 17  WEDNESDAY SCHOOL BY MERIDIAN WINES | 18  CLIMB FOR SKILLS GOLF DAY | 19  HARVARD HOUSE GOLF DAY | 20 | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | 24  WEDNESDAY SCHOOL BY SEEFF MIDLANDS | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 KZN SENIOR LADIES | 30 | | | | | |



RESULTS

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SATURDAY CLUB COMPETITION

16 MAY - BETTERBALL STABLEFORD

- 1st : Nick Jackson, Luke Bakke - 46 Points
- 2nd : Rusty Tedder, Robin Gibson - 44 oco
- 3rd : Dan Moodley, Kevin Perumal - 44



LADIES RESULTS

19 MAY - ARAUJO ATTORNEYS - 4 BALL ALLIANCE

- 1st : Linda Truter, Kath Boast, Robyn Becker, Brigid Lutz - 83 Points
- 2nd : Sue Tatham, Lauran Doffay, Annel Niebuhr, Gill Grice - 82
- 3rd : Joy Chimombe, Justin Bekker, Kelly Bekker, Mandy L Bekker - 77

WEDNESDAY SCHOOL

20 MAY - SMG LEXUS UMHLANGA - 4 BALL ALLIANCE

- 1st : Larry Brown, Graeme Palmer, Izak Hanekom - 85 oco
- 2nd : Jay Malherbe, Dave Sutton, Daniel de Ponte, Colin Everson - 85oco
- 3rd : Kevin Palframan, Dylan Horn, Warren Price, Theun Schuss - 85



Well done to all our golfers who took part in the Senior Nationals in Cape Town this past weekend.

Results were as follows:

Judy Anderson won the alliance comp at Westlake and the overall alliance comp. Wendy C came 11th in A div medal, 5th in the class medal (60-69 age group), 6th class stableford, 3rd in A div stableford! We VCC ladies are proud of you!



CORPORATE GROUP MEMBERSHIP

CONNECT. ENTERTAIN.
INSPIRE.



STRONGER RELATIONSHIPS.
LASTING IMPACT.

A NEW ERA OF CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP AT VICTORIA

Victoria Country Club has long been a place where relationships are built — on the course, around the table, and through shared experiences.

Now, we are proud to introduce our new Corporate Group Membership, designed for businesses that value connection, hospitality, and meaningful engagement.

Created with modern professionals and growing teams in mind, this membership offers more than access to golf — it opens the door to a complete lifestyle and business experience within the Victoria community.

Corporate members enjoy a range of exclusive benefits including:

- Access to rounds of golf and golfing privileges
- Preferred rates on conferences, meetings, and venue hire
- Food and beverage discounts across club facilities
- A dedicated spend account facility
- The opportunity to host a boutique golf day experience for clients, staff, or partners

Whether entertaining clients, rewarding teams, or creating memorable business moments, Victoria Country Club provides an environment where business and lifestyle come together effortlessly.

More than a membership — it's a place to connect, host, unwind, and grow relationships that matter.

For more information on Corporate Group Memberships, contact the marketing office.

GOLF DAYS

1 DAY. 2 COURSES.
ONE OLD BOYS NETWORK.

VICTORIA COUNTRY CLUB

Thursday,
28 May 2026

Victoria Country
Club

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Unmanned hole: R 2 500
Manned hole: R 2 200

All proceeds go to MCOBA.

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CANSA PIETERMARITZBURG GOLF DAY

VICTORIA
COUNTRY CLUB

PETER BROWN DRIVE, MONTROSE, PIETERMARITZBURG

29 MAY 2026

REGISTRATION FROM - 09:00
SHOTGUN START - 10:30
FORMAT - 4 BALL ALLIANCE,
2 SCORES TO COUNT

R2000 ENTRY FEE
PER FOURBALL

ENTRY INCLUDES:
• GREEN FEES AND HOLE IN ONE
COMPETITION ENTRY FOR R100 000 ON
HOLE 6. R50 000 FOR WINNING PLAYER
AND R50 000 FOR CANSA
PIETERMARITZBURG
• GOODIE BAG ON REGISTRATION
• HALFWAY LUNCH VOUCHER
• MEAL AT PRESENTATION
• GOLF CARTS TO BE BOOKED DIRECTLY
WITH GOLF COURSE

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CANSA Staff Partner - Michell Kunene: 064 892 0675

CANSA
MERCHANDISE
WILL BE ON SALE



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COLLEGE**

Golf & Padel Day

THURSDAY | 04 JUNE 2026
VICTORIA COUNTRY CLUB

GOLF
4-Ball Entry | R3500

PADEL
R500 per team

BOOK ON THE LINK IN CAPTION



Santam KwaZulu-Natal Midlands Charity Golf and Padel Day

Friday, 5 June 2026

Victoria Country Club, Pietermaritzburg

Registration: 09:00
Tee-off: 11:00 - 12:00
Fourball: R3 000.00 (includes 4 Santam golf t-shirts)
Padel: 20 minute session - R200.00 for two players
RSVP: sibongile.dlamini@santam.co.za or 033 260 7600

SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS

Spend the day on the tee box or around the Padel courts.

Padel area: R500.00 (Display signage)
Tee box: 1st, 3rd, 6th, 8th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 17th, 18th - R3 500.00
Other tees: R2 500.00

GOLF CARTS

Available for: R450.00
Book directly with the club on 033 347 1394

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VICTORIA


COUNTRY CLUB



OUR COMMUNITY. YOUR HOME.

*Thank you for being part of our story,
our heritage, and our community.*



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