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IMPROVING TODAY FOR
A BETTER TOMORROW

SPORTING UPDATES

RESULTS, ROUNDUPS AND
CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

WELCOMING NEW STAFF

A NEW CHAPTER FOR GOLF
AT VICTORIA



VICTORIA COUNTRY CLUB



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Victoria Country Club

— ESTABLISHED IN 1859 —



WELCOME CHRIS CORDIER

VICTORIA COUNTRY CLUB
APPOINTS NEW **GOLF DIRECTOR**



Victoria Country Club is delighted to announce the appointment of **Chris Cordier**, as Golf Director, effective **1 July 2026**.

A respected PGA professional and coach, Chris brings a wealth of experience, a passion for the game and a strong commitment to growing golf at every level. He is a **PGA of South Africa Associate Professional** with extensive coaching experience, having worked with golfers of all ages and abilities at Golden Horse Golf Village since 2023.

An accomplished player, Chris combines a deep understanding of the game with a competitive spirit. He was Victoria Country Club's **Men's Champion in 2022**, a testament to his skill, dedication and love for our course.

In his new role, Chris will oversee all golf operations, coaching and player development, competitions and member engagement. His focus will be on enhancing the golfing experience, building participation across all sections and supporting our teams and talented juniors.

As Victoria enters an exciting second half of 2026, members can look forward to fresh energy, strong leadership and a renewed focus on delivering exceptional golfing experiences both on and off the course.

“ *Golf is about people, community and creating experiences that keep players coming back.* ”

Please join us in extending a warm Victoria welcome to Chris and his family as they become part of the next chapter in our Club's story.

Welcome to Victoria, Chris.
We look forward to the journey ahead.

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WHERE TRADITION MEETS EXCELLENCE



COURSE UPDATE

THE TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS OF 13

MAJOR DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS UNDERWAY ON VICTORIA'S 13TH HOLE

The 13th hole has long struggled with drainage, and heavy rainfall would often leave the fairway and surrounding areas flooded.

To ensure this never happens again, Course Superintendent **Kriben Gounder** and his dedicated maintenance team are installing a completely new drainage system.

The work involves deep trenches, new stormwater piping and improved water flow designed to protect the playing surface for years to come.

While the team is targeting completion by **Friday, 26 June 2026**, the excavation process has revealed significant underground rock formations, which may influence the final completion timeline.

The team is working tirelessly to minimise disruption to your golf experience.



TO OUR VALUED MEMBERS

We sincerely apologise for any inconvenience this essential work may cause. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we invest in the long-term quality and playability of Victoria Country Club.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND SUPPORT.



TARGET COMPLETION:
FRIDAY,
26 JUNE 2026
(WEATHER & GROUND
CONDITIONS PERMITTING)

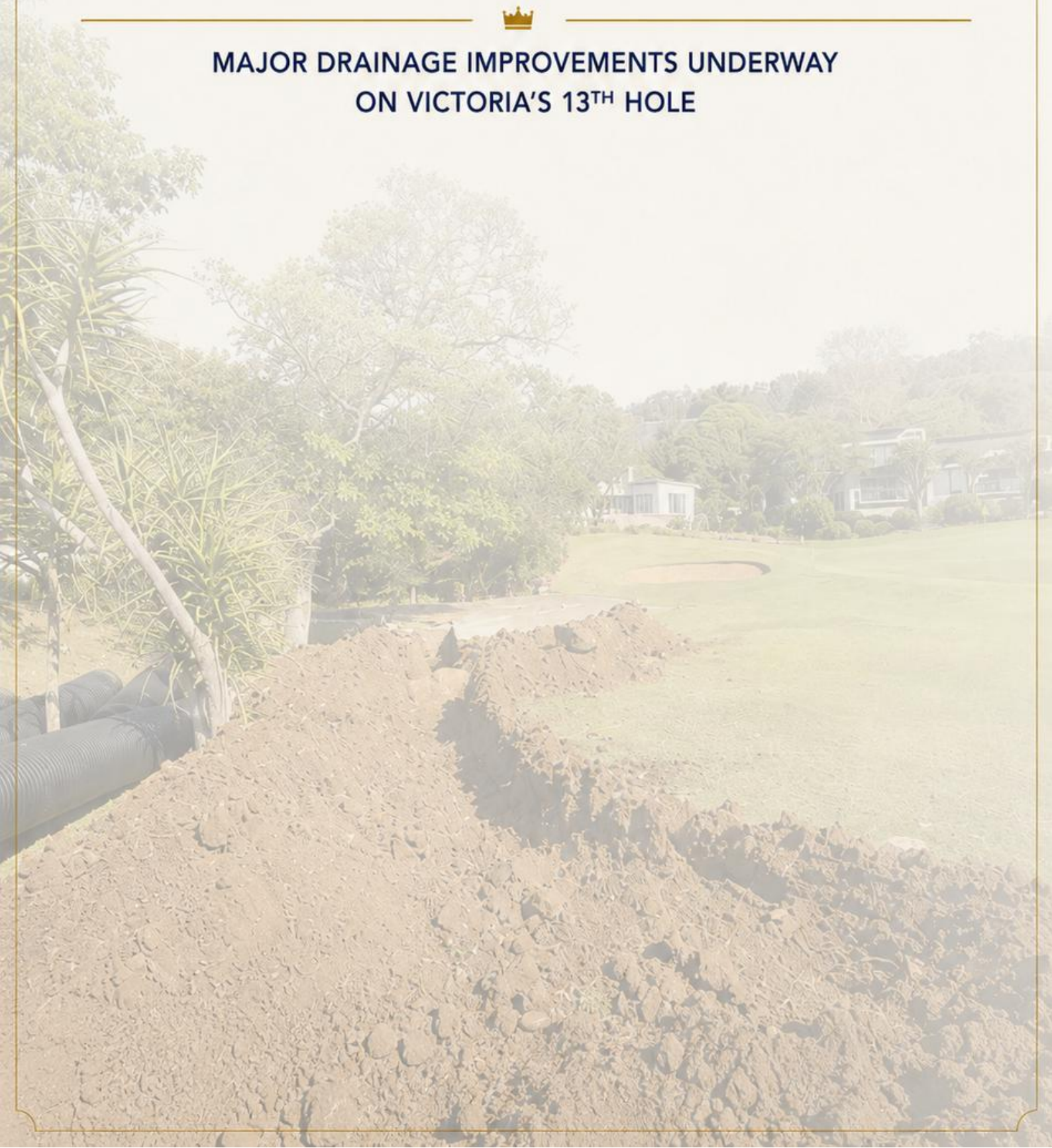
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COMMUNITY



EXCELLENCE



WORLD GOLF UPDATE

From Shinnecock to Royal Birkdale

CLARK CONQUERS SHINNECOCK

Second U.S. Open title secures his place among golf's elite.



U.S. OPEN 2026

CHAMPION
Wyndham Clark

RUNNER-UP
Sam Burns

VENUE
Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, New York

WINNING MARGIN
1 Stroke

Wyndham Clark held off a late charge from Sam Burns to win his second U.S. Open at Shinnecock Hills. Clark showed remarkable composure down the stretch to finish one shot clear in a thrilling final round and claim one of golf's most prestigious titles.

WORLD RANKINGS (AS OF 22 JUNE 2026)

- 1 SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER
- 2 RORY McILROY
- 3 CAMERON YOUNG
- 4 MATT FITZPATRICK
- 5 RUSSELL HENLEY

Scottie Scheffler continues to lead the way as the world's best turn their focus to the final major of the 2026 season.



GENESIS SCOTTISH OPEN

9 - 12 JULY 2026



The final links test before golf's oldest major.

THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

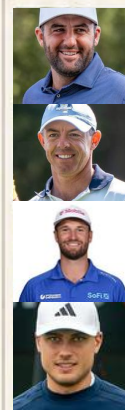
16 - 19 JULY 2026

ROYAL BIRKDALE ENGLAND



The world's best battle for the Claret Jug on one of links golf's greatest stages.

PLAYERS TO WATCH



SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER

RORY McILROY

WYNDHAM CLARK

LUDVIG ÅBERG

FIFA WORLD CUP 2026

RECORDS, RISING STARS & TOURNAMENT HIGHLIGHTS

MESSI CONTINUES TO REWRITE HISTORY

Lionel Messi has become the all-time leading goalscorer in FIFA World Cup history, surpassing the long-standing record previously held by Miroslav Klose.

Competing in a record sixth FIFA World Cup, the Argentine legend continues to inspire the world as he leads Argentina's pursuit of back-to-back world titles.

His achievements have once again sparked debate about football's greatest player, with supporters witnessing history unfold on the sport's biggest stage.

RONALDO MAKES HIS OWN HISTORY

Cristiano Ronaldo has become the first player ever to score in six different FIFA World Cup tournaments, further cementing his place among football's greatest of all time.

★ RISING STARS TO WATCH ★



LAMINE YAMAL
SPAIN



JUDE BELLINGHAM
ENGLAND



JAMAL MUSIALA
GERMANY



ENDRICK
BRAZIL



RECORD BREAKERS

MOST FIFA WORLD CUP GOALS

Lionel Messi becomes the all-time top goalscorer in World Cup history.

6

SIXTH WORLD CUP APPEARANCE

Messi makes history by competing in a sixth FIFA World Cup.



SCORES IN SIX WORLD CUPS

Cristiano Ronaldo scores in his sixth different World Cup.



The next generation of global stars is beginning to shine, ensuring the future of world football remains brighter than ever.

TEAMS TO WATCH



ARGENTINA



FRANCE



SPAIN



BRAZIL



ENGLAND



PORTUGAL

These traditional football powerhouses continue to attract attention as the tournament moves closer to the knockout rounds.



DID YOU KNOW?



48 TEAMS



16 HOST CITIES



3 COUNTRIES
UNITED STATES,
CANADA & MEXICO

THE ROAD TO WORLD CUP GLORY CONTINUES

DURBAN JULY 2026

SOUTH AFRICA'S PREMIER HORSE RACING & FASHION EVENT



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SATURDAY, 4 JULY 2026
HOLLYWOODBETS GREYVILLE RACECOURSE, DURBAN

THEME 2026: COUNTRY ALLURE

Country Allure invites racegoers to embrace the elegance of the countryside with a contemporary South African twist. Think wide-open landscapes, equestrian heritage, freedom and timeless sophistication. Expect flowing fabrics, suede, silk, statement hats and bold interpretations of country-inspired glamour.

MORE THAN JUST HORSE RACING

A spectacular lifestyle experience that combines world-class racing with high fashion, entertainment and unforgettable hospitality.

Live performances by **MiCasa**, **Will Linley**, **Tamara Dey** and **Zakes Bantwini** will keep the celebration going long after the last race.

THE RACE

The Hollywoodbets Durban July is run over 2200 metres on the Greyville turf course and attracts the finest thoroughbreds in the country. With millions in prize money and national prestige at stake, it is the race every horse wants to win.

HORSES TO WATCH

The final field is set and the leading contenders are ready to go to post for Africa's greatest horseracing challenge.



SEE IT AGAIN



ORIENTAL CHARM



FUTURE PEARL



COUSIN CASEY



ROYAL AUSSIE



GREEN WITH ENVY

(Final field subject to change)

FAST FACTS



DATE
Saturday,
4 July 2026



VENUE
Hollywoodbets
Greyville Racecourse,
Durban



THEME
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MICASA



WILL LINLEY



TAMARA DEY



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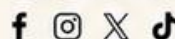
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— LIVE —

AT VICTORIA COUNTRY CLUB

SPRINGBOKS

— VS —

ENGLAND



**SATURDAY,
4 JULY 2026**

**KICK-OFF:
17:40**

CATCH ALL THE ACTION LIVE AT REGGIE'S BAR



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JUNE 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2  SINCE 187  LADIES GOLF	3	4  ST ANNES DIOCESAN COLLEGE GOLF DAY	5  SANTAM GOLF DAY	6  MONTHLY MUG
7 PREMIER LEAGUE ALLERTON LEAGUE	8	9 LADIES OPEN	10  WEDNESDAY SCHOOL BY USHER ATTORNEYS	11 	12	13
14 COMRADES MARATHON 2026	15	16  LADIES GOLF	17  WEDNESDAY SCHOOL BY ANTHONIJ RUPERT WYNE	18  CLIMB FOR SKILLS GOLF DAY	19  HARVARD HOUSE GOLF DAY	20 
21	22	23  Proudly  OUR PEOPLE DELIVER	24  MIDLANDS 081 345 0064 WEDNESDAY SCHOOL BY SEEF MIDLANDS	25 	26  ABS GOLF DAY	27
28	29  MIDLANDS SENIOR LADIES	30  LADIES GOLF				

JULY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1  WEDNESDAY SCHOOL BY VENNS ATTORNEYS	2	3	4   takealot.com MONTHLY MUG
5	6	7  SINCE 187  LADIES GOLF	8  WEDNESDAY SCHOOL BY SMG LEXUS UMHLAMGA	9	10  VOLTA OPEN	11 
12	13	14  LADIES GOLF	15	16	17  MIDLANDS HOSPICE GOLF DAY	18 
19  Allerton League	20	21	22  DICK'S DAY SPONSORED BY PAM GOLDING PROPERTIES	23	24	25
26	27	28  LADIES GOLF	29  WEDNESDAY SCHOOL BY HILTON QUARRY SPAR	30	31  CORDWALLES PREP GOLF DAY	



MORE THAN GOLF

MEMBERSHIP

COMMUNITY

HERITAGE

RESULTS

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SATURDAY CLUB COMPETITION

20 JUNE - 4 BALL ALLIANCE

- 1st : Karl Habermann, Tristan Garrell, Herman Zaayman, Luke Hayward - **91 Points**
2nd : Darryl Trodd, Jonathan Akerman, Michael Forrest, Luke Akerman - **89**
3rd : Michael Swanepoel, Conner Gardner, Dawie de Wet, George Rautenbach - **86**

LADIES RESULTS

23 JUNE - BIDVEST MCCARTHY 4 BALL BETTERBALL

- 1st : Pippa Payne, Aaria Bhagwandeem - **46 Points**
2nd : Kelly Bekker, Mandy Leigh Bekker - **42 oco**
3rd : Linda Truter, Annel Niebuhr - **42**

WEDNESDAY SCHOOL

24 JUNE - SEEF MIDLANDS - 4 BALL ALLIANCE

- 1st : Gavin Mason, Stephen Coller, Colin Everson, Daniel de Ponte - **90 Points**
2nd : Patrick Gili, Shane Moodley, Ajay Bechan, Reggie Moodley - **86 oco**
3rd : Lloyd Moffat, Warwick Hulbert, Mark Horne, Dawie Louw - **86**

RESULTS

Wednesday SCHOOL *Victoria Country Club*





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SUPPORT OUR CADDIES

Partner with Victoria Country Club to help our caddies represent the club with pride.

Our Victoria Country Club caddies proudly participate in the regional Caddies League, representing our club with dedication, passion and pride.

We are seeking sponsorship for:

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- Victoria Country Club branded caps

Your support will help our caddies present a professional and unified image while proudly representing Victoria Country Club.

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Every Club Has Players. Great Clubs Support Their Caddies Too.

Supporting our caddies. Representing Victoria with pride.



Victoria Country Club

Ladies GOLF

MIDLANDS SENIOR LADIES COME TO VICTORIA



MONDAY, 29TH JUNE

Victoria Country Club is proud to host the Midlands Senior Ladies on **Monday, 29th June** for what promises to be a wonderful day of golf, camaraderie and competition.

We look forward to welcoming players from across the Midlands region to enjoy our course, hospitality and the unique Victoria experience.

Here's to a fantastic day of golf!

GOOD LUCK TO ALL PLAYERS.

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WELCOME TO ALL PLAYERS
WE WISH YOU AN ENJOYABLE
AND MEMORABLE DAY.

Play with Passion. Compete with Heart.

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Wednesday

SCHOOL

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EXPERIENCE

COMMITMENT

RESULTS

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Wednesday,
1ST JULY 2026


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26
06
2026
FRIDAY


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CHARITY
Golf Day

DATE	VENUE	COST
26 JUNE 2026 FRIDAY	VICTORIA COUNTRY CLUB <i>Our premier Golfing Partner</i>	R2400 PER 4 BALL

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DATE Friday, 10 July 2026
VENUE Victoria Country Club
FORMAT Fourball Alliance (2 scores to count)

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Golf and Padel Day

Victoria Country Club | 31 July 2026
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GOLF	PADEL
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For enquiries:
 Nadia Marais: 072 239 2075 | Mel Klute: 071 364 5517 | golf@cordwalles.co.za


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7 AUGUST 2026
VICTORIA COUNTRY CLUB

DETAILS

Registration - 09h00 Shot Gun Start - 10h30 4 BALL - R3 000	Registration: 10h00 Time: 11h00 - 17h00 R600 per team
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QUERIES: parentsassociation@cowanhouse.co.za

HILTON PRE-PRIMARY TRUST GOLF DAY

14 AUG 2026 | VICTORIA COUNTRY CLUB
 REG 9:00 AM | SHOTGUN START 10:00AM


 SCAN TO REGISTER

Contact for more details:
hppgolfdays@hiltonpreprimary.co.za
 Jess 072 229 9406


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LADDSWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

TRUST FUND GOLF DAY

FRIDAY, 28 AUGUST 2026
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COMING SOON PICKLEBALL AT VCC

**We are excited to introduce
Pickleball at Victoria Country Club!**

A fun, fast-paced and social sport for
all ages and skill levels.

TWO DEDICATED COURTS

Victoria Country Club will have
2 dedicated pickleball courts.

BOOKINGS VIA CLUBMASTER

We aim to have all bookings managed
through Clubmaster. We will let
members know as soon as we are
ready to go live.

RACKETBALL MEMBERSHIP

Access to tennis / pickleball will be
via Squash Courts.



Biometrics are essential
for entry.

**WE'RE IN THE PLANNING
AND IMPLEMENTATION STAGE!**



We're excited to bring this dynamic and
social sport to VCC and look forward to
sharing it with our members.

MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON

In the next edition, we'll share full details on:
how to book, costs, court etiquette and more.

Watch this space!





VICTORIA COUNTRY CLUB

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

JUNE 2026

Sphilile SKHAKHANE

*A familiar face.
A valued part of VCC.*

At 42, Sphilile is a proud dad to a 17-year-old son and a 10-year-old daughter, and he thrives in the people-focused rhythm of club life.

Having worked his way through the club as a driver, caddie master, and now in Proshop sales and golf coordination, he understands the game — and the golfer — from every angle.

*Thank you, Sphilile,
for going the extra mile
every single day! ♥*

What he enjoys most is the interaction, which varies between banter and a quick chat before players tee off and when they return from their games.

His goal is simple: Once everyone has been in the shop, they are zoned in to shoot their personal best.

Whether coordinating play or offering a friendly word, Sphilile is a valued part of the VCC golf experience.

*Congrats,
Sphilile! ★★*



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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please be advised that the **ATM ON THE PREMISES WILL BE REMOVED.**



EFFECTIVE FROM
30 JUNE 2026



We encourage members and guests to make alternative arrangements for their banking needs.



We sincerely apologize for any *inconvenience caused.*



Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

– Management





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If you are found parked in a reserved parking bay, **YOUR WHEEL WILL BE CLAMPED**



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