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# GOLF NEWS

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## VCC Heads to Gowrie for Inaugural Friendly Challenge - 21 February 2026

Victoria Country Club is proud to announce the first-ever VCC vs Gowrie Farm Friendly Challenge — a fixture we hope will mark the beginning of a long-standing golfing tradition.

Sixteen VCC members will travel to Gowrie Farm to compete in a Better Ball Match Play format, where partnerships, strategy, and steady nerves will be key. Match play always brings an added edge, and with pride on the line, every hole will matter.

This all-inclusive trip promises more than just competitive golf. It's an opportunity to strengthen camaraderie, represent VCC with pride, and build meaningful connections with fellow golfers in a spirit of friendly rivalry.

As the inaugural challenge, this event sets the tone for what we hope will become a highlight on the VCC golfing calendar. We look forward to flying the Victoria flag high and returning with both great memories — and, hopefully, bragging rights.



Although you can now open a round on both Apple & Android, the back-end Handicap integration with Clubmaster is being programmed.



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## Golf News | 2026 KZN Closed Championships Come to VCC

This weekend, Victoria Country Club proudly hosts the 2026 KZN Closed Championships on 21 & 22 February, bringing some of the province's best amateur golfers to our fairways and greens. The KZN Closed is a highly respected provincial stroke-play event that attracts competitive players from around KwaZulu-Natal — and this year, VCC will be centre stage.

Play kicks off on Saturday with an 18-hole round, before competitors tee off for 36 holes on Sunday in a true test of skill, endurance, and course management. Friday has been reserved as an official practice day, giving all participants the chance to familiarise themselves with the course layout, green complexes, and seasonal conditions before the tournament begins.

To ensure optimum conditions and uninterrupted competition, the course will be closed to regular member play from 3 p.m. on Friday as the maintenance team sets up the course for championship play. Members are still welcome to book morning practice tee times on Friday, but the afternoon will be dedicated to preparing the course for the event.

We look forward to welcoming players, supporters, and spectators — and we're confident the event will showcase VCC's world-class course and facilities in brilliant fashion.

**Championship golf returns to VCC as we host the 2026 KZN Closed on 21 & 22 February. With 54 holes of provincial competition on the cards, members are encouraged to take note of course closures and join us in supporting the event.**

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## NEW LADIES APPAREL

We're excited to introduce Agni High Performance – a new ladies' apparel brand now available at the club. Agni blends performance and style, crafting golf shirts and activewear from advanced, moisture-wicking fabrics that keep you cool, comfortable, and confident on the course.

Designed with technical features such as stretch for unrestricted movement, quick-dry performance, and durable colour and shape retention, Agni pieces are engineered to support your game while looking great off the fairways too. Whether you're playing a full round or enjoying a casual club day, Agni delivers comfort, style, and performance in every stitch.



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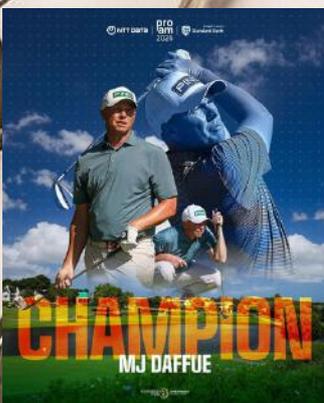
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Tour

SNIPPETS



TEAM LEADERBOARD

Rank	Team	Score
1	SHIPPED GC	-19.5
2	LEGION XII	-19.3
3	MACES GC	-18.8
4	SOUTHERN GUARDS	-14.3
5	TORQUE GC	-14.0
6	DANESBOATS GC	-14.0
7	SMASH GC	-14.1
8	KOREAN GC	-13.8
9	CLEEK'S GC	-13.7
10	CRUSHERS GC	-13.6
11	HULLERS GC	-13.6
12	FOURBALLS GC	-13.1
13	MAJESTICKS GC	-13.0

# **FROM THE FAIRWAYS**

## **COURSE & GREENS**

# *Autumn Reset*

**As the seasons begin to shift, so does the course. From 15–17 March, Victoria Country Club will be undertaking its scheduled Autumn Treatment Programme – an important part of keeping our greens, fairways, and surrounds healthy heading into the cooler months.**

**Autumn is a crucial transition period in turf management. Growth patterns change, recovery slows, and the course begins preparing itself for winter. Treatments during this time typically focus on strengthening turf health, encouraging root development, improving surface consistency, and managing wear from the busy summer season.**

**You may notice small disruptions during this period – perhaps slightly different green speeds, minor surface work, or temporary visual changes. While it may not always look dramatic, this work plays a vital role in ensuring the course remains resilient, playable, and in excellent condition in the months ahead.**

**Think of it as a seasonal reset – a little short-term inconvenience for long-term performance.**

**As always, our course maintenance team will be working with precision and care to minimise disruption and maximise results. The payoff? Stronger turf, smoother putting surfaces, and a course ready to take on the next season.**

# GOLF NEWS

# CLUB CALENDAR

## FEBRUARY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Ladies Golf 	4 Wednesday School Rhode Island 4 BBBS	5	6  15h00: Chicken Run	7 TakeAlot.com Monthly Mug & 4 BA 1st Round Mengi PQ 
8  ROYAL DURBAN GC	9	10 Ladies Golf 	11 Wednesday School Acushnet 4 BBBS <i>Titleist</i>	12	13	14 Valentine's Day 4 BA 
15 PM: Family Par 3 	16	17 Ladies Golf 	18 Wednesday School Lexus Uhmilanga 4 BA SMG LEXUS	19	20	21 <b>GOWRIE</b> <i>Challenge</i> 2026 KZN CLOSED
22 KZN CLOSED	23	24 Ladies Golf 	25 Wednesday School 4 BA 	26	27  Chicken Run	28 Club Competition: 4 BBS

## MARCH 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 League  Allerton League	2	3 Ladies Golf 	4 Wednesday School 	5	6  Chicken Run	7 Takealot.com Monthly Mug & 4 BA 2nd Round Mengi PQ
8	9	10 	11 Wednesday School 	12	13	14 Tim Jackson Memorial Trophy 4 Ball Alliance
15 Autumn Treatment	16 Autumn Treatment	17 Autumn Treatment 	18 Wednesday School SMG LEXUS	19	20	21 <b>Human Rights Day</b>
22	23	24 	25 Wednesday School 	26 COMMUNITY CHES 	27 SUNSHINE GOLF C School Holidays	28 School Holidays
29 League  Allerton League School Holidays	30 School Holidays	31 Ladies Golf  School Holidays				

# Event Updates



*Victoria Country Club*  
*Introducing*  
**VALENTINE'S**  
**GOLF**  
4BA  
**FEBRUARY 14**



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**PAR 3 COMPETITION**



# RESULTS



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## VCC VALENTINE'S CLUB COMPETITION

14 February

1<sup>st</sup>: Cynthia Hadley-Grave, Chris Hadley-Grave, Mike Forder, Ruth Forder - 87 Points

2<sup>nd</sup>: Kokkie Swanepoel, Anthony Grant, Deon Schaup, Dawie de Wet - 85

3<sup>rd</sup>: Izak Hanekom, Robin Gibson, Rusty Tedder, Johan - 83

**LADIES RESULTS:**



SINCE  
**87**

Tuesday 17 February: MEDAL & PUTTS

### A DIVISION

1<sup>st</sup> : Wendy Carruthers - 71 ono

2<sup>nd</sup> : Mieke Walsh - 71

### B DIVISION

1<sup>st</sup> : Marion Todd - 68 nett

2<sup>nd</sup> : Sue Tatham - 72



## WEDNESDAY SCHOOL - SMG LEXUS

18 February : 4B ALLIANCE - 2 Scores to Count

1<sup>st</sup>: Graeme Palmer, Duane Burnnet, Chris Hadley-Grave, Larry Brown - 98 Points

2<sup>nd</sup>: Sunil Singh, Viresh Ramballey, David Manicum, Seelan Govender - 94

3<sup>rd</sup>: Teun Schuss, Kevin Palframann, Renzo Hamblin, Warren Price - 92



Last night saw the 4th round of fixtures being played in this year's summer league.

The cooler weather conditions were a welcome relief, but the action on court remained as hot as ever.

Jason fought valiantly against super sub, Jacques, but ultimately succumbed to Jacques never say die attitude, going down 2-3.

Aphiwe came back from 0-2 down to beat Sean Muller, who once again had a match point and blew it. The busy weekend of Comrades training and hockey trials ultimately cost Sean who lost 2-3, Billot it could have gone either way.

Melanie dominated the opening 2 games of her match against fill-in Robert Fleming, storming into a 2-0 lead, before the "petrol" ran out and she ended up losing 2-3.

Young Tom Hardman kept up his meteoric rise with a commanding 3-0 victory against the tricky Nicola, with the first game going to 21-19 in Tom's favour.

Captain Kate played superbly by beating Mark 3-2 while filling in for Megan at #4, and then went on to win her regular match 3-0. Heroic stuff from the Daniel's Ducks skipper.

Ellena and Bruere do battle on Thursday in a "date night" special.

Daniel's Ducks have stormed into a commanding lead at the top of the league, but still haven't had their bye. The rest of the teams are closely contested and positions could change at the snap of your fingers.

Another great turnout for the valued staying power points in the pub afterwards.

*See you all next week .. Regards Andrew*



**Click on the graphic above if you are looking for the Summer League Results**

# THE CLUBHOUSE TABLE



## Reggie's Bar

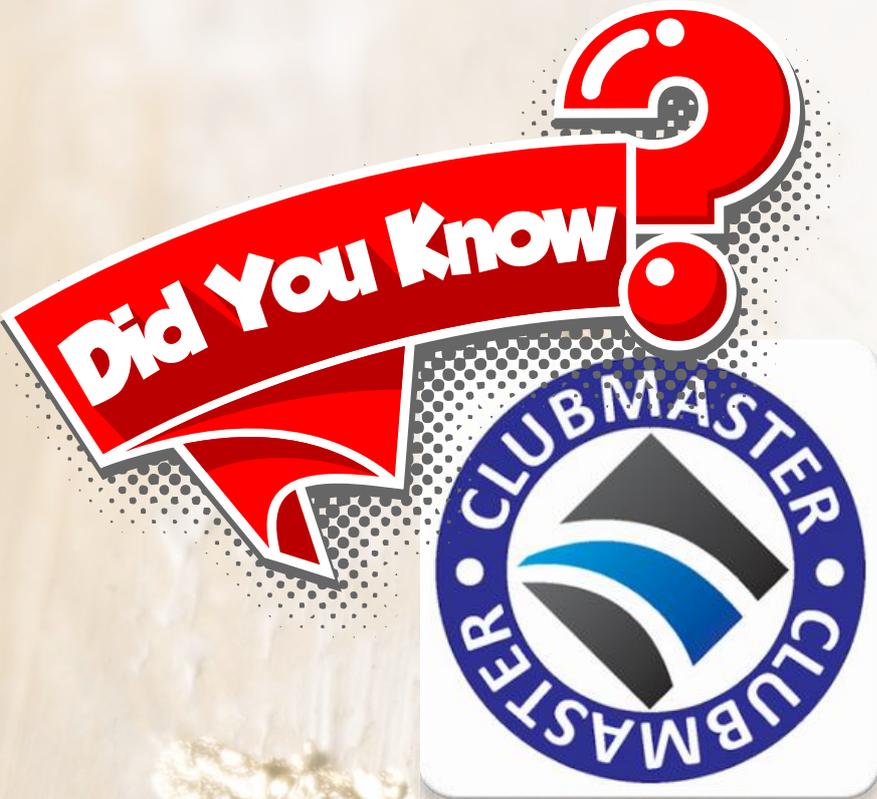


**PIZZA**

*Friday*

**ANY 2  
PIZZAS FOR  
R199**

T's & C's Apply



## ARE YOU NEEDING TO PAY YOUR BILL FAST? WELL, YOU CAN!

1. Keep your spend account **topped** up.
2. Ask your waitron, for the **pro-forma bill**
3. Scan the **QR Code** on the ClubMaster App
4. **Authorize** the transaction - **Done!**

## HOW TO KEEP YOUR SPEND ACCOUNT TOPPED UP

1. Via Credit Card on the **ClubMaster** App – Immediate clearance
2. Via the **Pro Shop, Halfway House or Reggie's Bar**
3. Via **Eft** – 48 hours clearance delay

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# MEET OUR TEAM

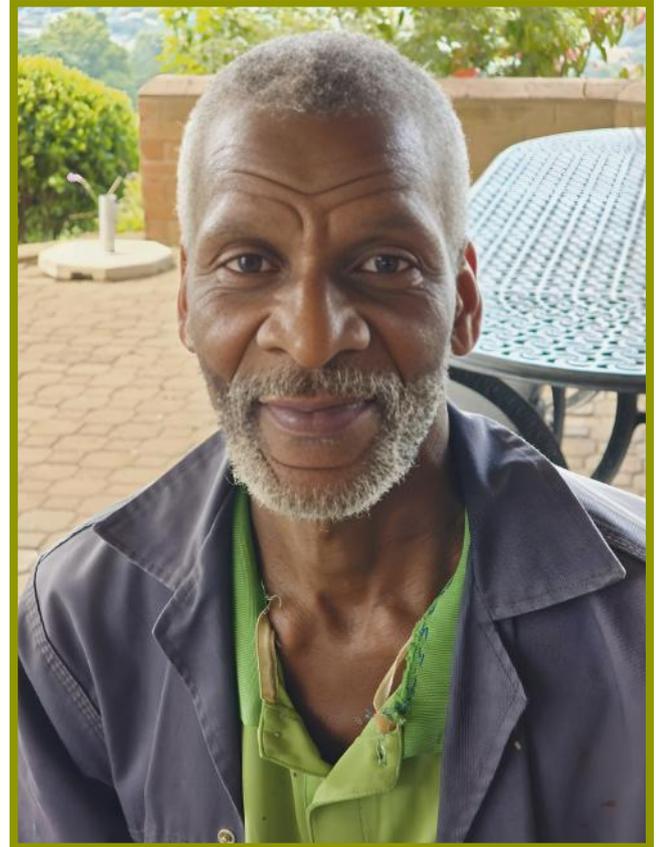
*Pride in Every Detail*

**TWO STORIES  
TWO DEPARTMENTS  
ONE CULTURE**

## **THE GENTLE GUARDIAN OF OUR GARDENS - LAWRENCE NZAMA - A DECADE OF DEDICATION AT VCC**

Some people arrive at work. Others belong to it. For the past ten years, Lawrence Nzama has been one of the quiet constants of Victoria Country Club. Introduced to VCC by a friend, he began his journey in maintenance, starting with painting. What began as a job slowly became something more — a space where his care, patience and natural love for the land could take root. And root it certainly did.

If you've ever admired the pristine beds, the crisp edges, the calm beauty of our gardens... chances are Lawrence was behind it. He doesn't seek attention. You won't find him announcing his achievements. Instead, you'll find him gently tending to plants, inspecting leaves, trimming with precision — making sure everything is just right.



Lawrence lives in Imbali and is the proud father of three children. As the sole breadwinner for his family, he carries his responsibilities with the same quiet strength he brings to his work. He is currently building a home — brick by brick, dream by dream — for the people who matter most to him.

There is something incredibly special about a person who takes pride in the details no one else notices. Lawrence loves gardening, and it shows. Our grounds are not simply maintained; they are cared for. There's intention in his work. There's dignity in the way he moves. There's heart in every space he touches.

In a world that often celebrates the loudest voices, Lawrence reminds us of the power of quiet excellence.

Next time you walk past a perfectly kept flowerbed or pause to admire the greenery around the clubhouse, know that behind that beauty stands a gentle soul who has given ten steady years to keeping Victoria Country Club immaculate.

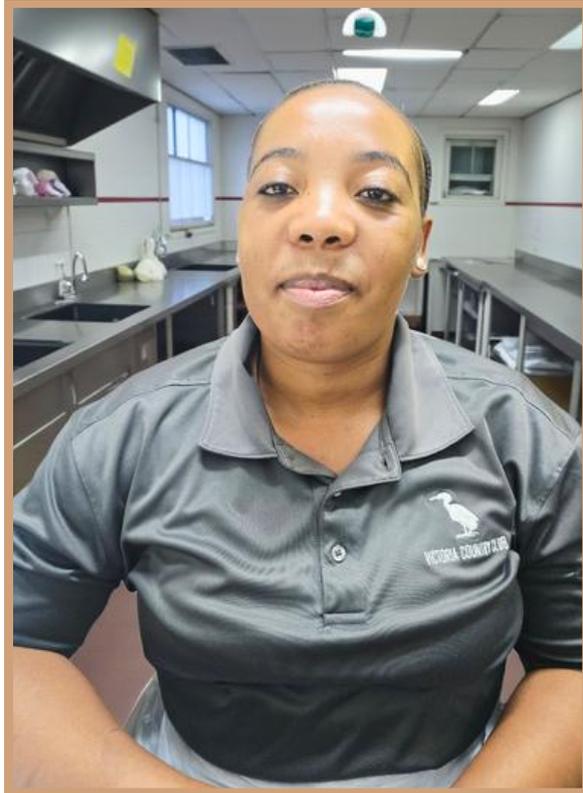
***Lawrence, we see you.  
And we thank you.***



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ONE CULTURE



## FOOD & BEVERAGE | KITCHEN SUPERVISOR

### Nomkhosi Dumakude

At just 34 years old, Nomkhosi Dumakude brings both warmth and quiet strength to the Victoria Country Club kitchen. Trained at Hilton Artisan under the guidance of Chef Craig, she has built nine years of culinary experience — two of those proudly at VCC.

Nomkhosi joined the club as a griller and, through dedication and growth, now serves as our Kitchen Supervisor, overseeing the kitchen with confidence and care. While she manages the full operation, her favourite place to be is the hot pass — where the energy is high, the plates move quickly, and every dish leaves the kitchen with purpose.



Married and a proud mom to a nine-year-old son, Nomkhosi balances family life with her passion for food. She loves learning new recipes and is constantly looking for ways to refine and improve her craft. Growth, for her, is not optional — it's personal.

And in a detail that makes everyone smile: she loves going to the gym... because she loves eating just as much. It's all about balance. Passionate, driven, and always eager to improve, Nomkhosi is one of the steady forces behind the meals our members enjoy every day. The next time your dish arrives perfectly plated and piping hot, there's a very good chance she had a hand in it.

***Passionate, dedicated, and always striving to grow, Nomkhosi is a valued part of the team behind every great meal at VCC.***

# UPCOMING EVENTS

Victoria Country Club  
PRESENTS  
A NIGHT OF INSPIRATION WITH THE

## OCEAN WARRIORS

**25 FEBRUARY 2026 - 6:00PM for 6:30PM**  
R250p.p / R2500 per table includes a light meal  
Main Function Venue - For Bookings call 083 631 2805  
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## BUCKET OF BALLS

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## CHICKEN RUN

**27 FEB**  
9 HOLES  
3PM START  
PRIZE GIVING  
@ 17:30  
**R150**  
GREEN FEES  
& CART

KZN GOLF UNION

## 2026 KZN CLOSED CHAMPS

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## GOWRIE Challenge

2026

**MEMBERS ONLY**

Are you ready to take on the Members @ Gowrie Farm?  
Bring your A Game for this Inaugural Challenge!

Inaugural VCC vs Gowrie Farm



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## UNTIL WE MEET AT THE CLUBHOUSE

*Victoria Country Club is more than a destination — it's a place to belong. Whether you're here for a round of golf, a great meal, or familiar faces, we look forward to welcoming you again soon.*



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