

# WESTERN CAPE ANNUAL AWARDS

## COACH

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**1. What is your current job title?**

Teaching Professional.

**2. How long have you been in your current position?**

18 months.

**3. What have been the key deliverables of your position the past 12 months?**

I started working with JJ Senekal (Sunshine Tour Player) in January of 2022. He finished the 2021/2022 season 60<sup>th</sup> on the order of Merit.

2022/2023 season he finished 6<sup>th</sup> on the order of Merit. Winning a Co sanctioned Challenge Tour event thus gaining a Challenge Tour Card.

2022 Coach the Stellenbosch Club Champion.

I enjoy focusing on the elite golfers at the club and in the area but still spend time every week with junior golfers.

**4. How do you see the implementation of Safeguarding on your position and the industry?**

Children and young people who participate in golf are in our care and we have a responsibility to ensure their safety and wellbeing. Implementation of thorough recruitment and selection procedures will help to keep children and young people safe.

**5. Please give us a brief outline of the path you took to lead you to your current position?**

After being in the restaurant industry for 15 years I sold my businesses and started my PGA Apprenticeship at De Zalze Golf Club under William Guy.

I was offered a position at Stellenbosch Golf Club in January 2022 which I took up.

**6. Why do you feel that you would be a good candidate to win this award?**

I have owned restaurants and other businesses through my career. Golf is my passion and has always been. I am intrigued by the game of golf as there is so much too it. As a coach I am always studying and growing in my role which will never stop.

There is no better feeling than helping someone with their game whether they are a beginner or a professional.

The next step is starting an Elite Academy at Stellenbosch Golf Club

**7. How do you promote a career in golf and the PGA to people who aspire to a career within the industry?**

As a body of qualified professional, I love to live my passion for people to see. People love spending time with experts in the game helping them with their enjoyment of the game by creating memorable moments to aspiring golfers. When they see what I can do with their game, they develop a passion helping others.

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