

MOTIVATION

CLUB MANAGER OF THE YEAR, GAUTENG REGION 2019

It is a singular honor to be nominated as Club Manager for the 2019 Annual Awards in the Gauteng Central Region. Since joining the PGA of South Africa in 1991 it has been my privilege to serve the golfing community in all aspects of this wonderful game.

After establishing a golf school and driving range and completion of my apprenticeship, I took up the position of Golf Professional at State Mines Country Club in 1993 and became involved in retailing, golf tuition, membership rebuilding and reconstruction of the course. At the time the club membership stood at 312 and upon my departure in 2000 the database recorded 975 members.

I then took up the position of Head Professional at Royal Oak Country Club and once again got down to establishing and rebuilding the membership and the course. During this period, I was awarded Club Professional of the Year by the Ekurhuleni Union. Upon joining Royal Oak, the club had 117 members and when I returned to State Mines Country Club in 2009; records showed an excess of a 1000 members.

Back at State Mines Country Club I undertook improving the following: revamping of the clubhouse, rebuilding of dams, and the pump houses, implementation of irrigation as well as the management. At the time, I was nominated Golf Director of the Year by the Ekurhuleni Union.

Currently I manage all the departments within the club with successful hosting of tournaments such as the Sunshine Tour (Qualifying School); IGT; Big Easy Tours, Provincial and Club Tournaments are par for the course.

On a personal level I attribute my successes to teamwork and collaboration.

Yours in golf

GAVIN COLEMAN