

Since 2011 I have been an Elite Coach and the Short Game Specialist at the TuksGolf Academy which is situated on the LC de Villiers Sports Grounds at the University of Pretoria. In February this year I was appointed, in an addition role, as the Range Facility Manager for our TuksGolf Training Centre. I am Titleist Performance Institute (TPI) Level 2 certified, Frankly Golf CPI certified and currently busy with a BCom Business Management Degree through the University of South Africa. I have been a member of the University Sports of South Africa (USSA) Golf Executive Committee since 2014 and until recently assumed the position of Vice Chairperson.

In 2012 and 2015 I accompanied the national student team to the World University Championships in the Czech Republic and France respectively. In 2017 I had the great privilege of being the coach for Team South Africa that participated in the Universiade (World Student Games) in Taipei. It is the second biggest participation sporting event in the world, trumped only by the Olympic Games.

On a local front, our Tuks teams have been the dominant force at the national USSA Championship in recent times, with numerous Inter-Institutional Stroke Play, Inter-Institutional Match Play and Individual Stroke Play titles to our name. A feat of which the University of Pretoria and I am exceptionally proud.

Over the years I have worked with some terrific talents. The likes of Zander Lombard, Brandon Stone, Louis de Jager, James du Preez, Neil Schietekat, Teaghan Gauche, Jason Smith, Matthew Saulez and numerous other Tour Professionals, Elite Amateurs and Juniors, as well as a few very capable weekend warriors. The greatest thing about coaching for me is that I can derive as much joy and sense of accomplishment from working with a golfer of any skill level. The teaching and learning process does not change.

I have been a fully qualified member of the PGA of SA since 2008 and am currently listed as a Class AA Professional. Although I do not get the opportunity to participate in many of the Pro-Am events, I did manage to sneak in a win at the 2014 Gauteng North Regional Championship which was played at The Els Club, Copperleaf. Playing golf will always be a passion of mine, I mean how couldn't it be, it's the greatest game on the planet and we all get to be a part of it in some shape or form, so we have a responsibility to ourselves, our clients and our profession to keep swinging it.