

SOUTHERN & EASTERN CAPE ANNUAL AWARDS

COACH

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Glenwood Driving Range, George

1. What is your current job title?

Teaching Professional

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

Since 2012

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

World Transplant games Silver Medallist in Australia 2023/ Gold Medal in Pairs with Derek Botes. Botes also won 2023 Jock of the Bushveld in his Division.

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

Safeguarding was a total waste of time and energy. All the measures we already did and unfortunately bad elements will always be in any industry.

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

Path was learning to Teach from Otway Hayes, Vivienne Saunders, Dale Hayes in some ways, Doug Evans, Clive Holmes and other Senior PGA Members.

Then establishing JUNIOR GOLF with the Southern Cape Golf and creating the Most Successful Teams in South Africa even though we were a small province.

With Louis Oosthuizen winning the 2010 Open Championship I am still the only PGA Member to Coach a Major winner. George Schwartzel Coached Charl, he was a former PGA Players Division Member. Branden Grace, also one of my Junior pupils, has also had great results. Ladies Tour LET winners include Monique Smit and Ashleigh Holmes.

After 50 000 plus lessons experience is achieved. Mental Sports Psychology is possibly my biggest asset. I have more than 30 Members in the Golf Industry (Tour players, Golf Directors, Green Keepers, Club Managers etc). Ernie Els was Coached by Neels and Oupa Els. Retief Goosen lived in Pietersburg and was Coached by father Theo. I have President Cup representation and Coached SA Junior team to Silver Medal in Japan and

also won the Individual with Matthew Kent in 2004. Teaching new golfers and old customers are what we really do every day.

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

No PGA Member really knows what the other does. Our success is if our players improve, become more consistent and win when the opportunity comes. We keep them in the Game.

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

I was told by my father that Golf was a risk profession but have made a living out of it for 41 years. Do what you love and love what you do.

9. PGA can use Social Media.

Would you like the PGA to share your profile via our social media platforms? Yes

Facebook: Tucker Golf