



WET WET WET: Although the St Francis golf course is temporarily closed for golf, the clubhouse is still open and serves delicious snacks as well as take-away meals. Picture: Jack White



URGENT WORK: WBHO are working flat out to repair the R330 - from 5am till 10pm daily - with four dumper trucks, an excavator, loader, bulldozer and TLB. Picture: Yvonne Craig

St Francis Links wants to solve its flood problem

Yvonne Craig

"THE St Francis Links must be part of the solution and not the problem," said Jeff Clause, director of golf and operations at the Links, when asked for comment on the flood damage over the weekend of November 23 and 24 in St Francis Bay.

to assist the club in restoring the St Francis Bay course.

Plans have been made and the Golf Data team is already in place to clean up the St Francis course while the WBHO team will clean the road and affected houses of sand.

"We want to be

good neighbours with the St Francis Golf Club," said Clause.

"The Links has taken the groups that were booked at the St Francis Bay Club to ensure that they are accommodated in St Francis Bay. As far as I know, there have been no cancellations from the time we were

able to re-open.

"By agreement, the St Francis Club will receive all of the green fees and food revenue after the games from those groups."

The SPCA golf day, that would have taken place at the St Francis Golf Club on December 8, will now be held

on March 8, 2008.

There were a lot of unsung heroes during the flood and thanks are extended to all who helped by offering accommodation, pulling people out of the mud or making escape routes for water so no further flooding occurred.

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Francis Bay course is temporarily closed for golf, the clubhouse is still open. A wonderful selection of take-away meals to fill the freezer for the Christmas holiday is available, as well as their pies, freshly made muffins and sandwiches.

The Links vs the St Francis Club

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PAM Golding has come to the party as a sponsor of the annual two-day golfing event of the St Francis Links versus the St Francis Bay Golf Club.

The Pam Golding Annual, as the tournament will be known, will take place on December 21 and 22.

Jeff Clause, director of golf and operations at the Links, conceived of the idea of staging the event, not as a head-on competition, but to unify the two clubs - one an established one, and the other, new to the area, with play on both courses.

The competition was held for the first time last year and was very well received, but with Pam Golding's sponsorship, organised by Richard Arderne, it will be bigger and better this year.

The field will be limited to 100 players from both clubs. Entries will be on a first come, first served basis.

It will be a Better-ball Stableford with tee times on Friday, December 21, being 11:30am to 1:40pm, and on Saturday, December 22, from 7:30am to 9:40am.

The entry fee is R250 per player.

This two-day event includes golf on both days, daily and overall team prizes, as well as prize giving lunch at the St Francis Bay Golf Club clubhouse following play on Saturday. The first prize will be a night for two at Camp Fire Tree, a five-star lodge.