



The South African Golf Development Board (SAGDB)

The South African Golf Development Board (SAGDB) is the official golf development body for South Africa, and this year it celebrates 24 years of using the game of golf to change the lives of underprivileged South Africans.

The SAGDB is operational in all 14 golf unions across South Africa and enjoys the support and endorsement of the South African Department of Sports and Recreation, The R&A, GolfRSA, the Sunshine Tour, the Professional Golfers Association of South Africa, Remgro, and other official South African golf bodies and several long-term sponsors.

It is also a proud beneficiary of The Alfred Dunhill Links Foundation.

Over 35000 children have come through the SAGDB programme since its start 1999. There are approximately 2600 children currently enrolled in the PGA-approved LTAD (Long Term Athlete Development) coaching programme across the 14 provinces, who attend weekly sessions.

The focus of the SAGDB is not just on creating great golfers. It is a holistic programme that places equal emphasis on academics, and which uses the discipline and values of golf to empower the youth and help them to develop into positive role models in their communities.

At a national golf level, close to 250 SAGDB members have earned provincial colours at Open Amateur (senior) and Junior level on merit.

In 2021, the SAGDB was for the first time in its history represented at all four national team events, namely the South African Premier Inter-Provincial Tournament, the South African Under-19 Inter-Provincial Tournament, the South African Women's Inter-Provincial Tournament and the 72-Hole Teams Tournament.

The SAGDB is also represented at the major amateur tournaments such as the South African Amateur Championship and the South African Stroke Play Championship.

The SAGDB currently has 24 graduates on the Sunshine Tour (the men's professional Tour for Southern Africa) and four graduates on the Sunshine Ladies Tour (the women's professional Tour for Southern Africa).

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