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Potgieter chasing debut win in 'Africa's Major'



The 20-year-old Aldrich Potgieter is on the brink of a dream debut in the Nedbank Golf Challenge as the young South African takes a three-stroke lead into Sunday's final round at the Gary Player Country Club.



Potgieter was given an invitation into this tournament by Gary Player and has grabbed the opportunity by taking the lead on seven under par following a bogey-free 66 on Saturday. Italy's Francesco Laporta and England's Matthew Jordan are his nearest challengers. Laporta worked his way into contention with a third round of 69, while Jordan posted a 71 on another hot and windy day. Defending champion Max Homa will start the final round four shots off the lead following a 72. Potgieter was delighted with his performance in a tournament he admits he was just hoping to use to gain experience before embarking on his PGA Tour career next season. "I didn't expect to come here and win. I was just trying to use it as a learning curve, and obviously if you do get the win it's a really big bonus. A win here would mean everything to me. It would be a dream come true. But I'm just trying to hit one shot at a time and we'll see how the final round goes," he said.



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Potgieter's 'pro' caddie



As Aldrich Potgieter attempts to navigate one of the biggest final rounds of his young professional career, he could do no better than the caddie he has by his side.

Potgieter's caddie this week is Jake Roos, a former Sunshine Tour professional who brings with him the experience of having won six times on the Tour and twice on the European Challenge Tour.

It's a partnership that has certainly worked out well this week on the fairways of the Gary Player Country Club. And it perhaps also bodes well that Roos won a tournament here at Sun City in 2009 and which was played at the neighbouring Lost City Golf Course.

"Jake and I are very close friends," said Potgieter.

"He's also based at Pinnacle Point (Potgieter's home club). We play a lot of golf together when I'm back home. I asked him to caddie for me this week and he said yes. It's been great. He's been letting me do my own thing."

As a young star of South African golf, Potgieter said it's pleasing to see so many young South Africans taking advantage of opportunities created by the partnership between the Sunshine Tour and DP World Tour to further their careers internationally.

"It's nice to see a lot of South Africans coming through and playing some good golf on the world tours, and it's nice to be one of them. It's also great to get the invitation from Mr Player to be here, and to be playing good golf."

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DRAW FOR ROUND 4 - SUNDAY

Game	Time	Tee	Name	Country	Attachment	R1	R2	R3
12	09:11	1	Nicolai HØJGAARD	DEN		73	73	72
			Thriston LAWRENCE	RSA	Pretoria CC	71	75	72
			Joe DEAN	ENG	College Pines GC	78	68	72
13	09:22	1	Dan BRADBURY	ENG	Wakefield GC	71	75	72
			Paul WARING	ENG	Jumeirah Golf Estates	72	70	75
			Angel HIDALGO	ESP	RCG Las Brisas	72	73	72
14	09:33	1	Wenyi DING	CHN		71	74	72
			Alex FITZPATRICK	ENG	Hollinwell GC	71	76	70
			Yuto KATSURAGAWA	JPN		72	74	71
15	09:44	1	Brandon STONE	RSA	Durban CC	74	72	71
			Will ZALATORIS	USA	Dallas National GC	74	72	71
			Jesper SVENSSON	SWE	Upsala GC	76	70	71
16	09:55	1	Elvis SMYLIÉ	AUS	Southport GC	71	72	73
			Daniel HILLIER	NZL	Royal Wellington	72	73	71
			Guido MIGLIOZZI	ITA		76	71	69
17	10:06	1	Adrian OTAEGUI	UAE	Golburu Golf	73	74	69
			Laurie CANTER	ENG	Cumberwell Park GC	73	69	73
			Frederic LACROIX	FRA	RCF La Boulie	72	70	73
18	10:17	1	Thorbjørn OLESEN	DEN		69	74	72
			Corey CONNERS	CAN	The Bears Club	72	76	67
			Julien GUERRIER	FRA	Golf de la prée La Rochelle	71	68	75
19	10:28	1	Ockie STRYDOM	RSA	South Africa	67	73	74
			Johannes VEERMAN	USA	Winston Golf	70	71	73
			Andy SULLIVAN	ENG	Stratford-on-Avon GC	69	72	73
20	10:39	1	Christiaan BEZUIDENHOUT	RSA	Serengeti Wildlife & Golf Estate	70	72	72
			Mackenzie HUGHES	CAN	Quail Hollow Club	71	73	70
			Pablo LARRAZÁBAL	ESP	Real Club de Golf el Prat	69	75	70
21	10:50	1	Romain LANGASQUE	FRA	GC De Cannes Mougins	70	70	73
			Max HOMA	USA		66	75	72
			Jordan SMITH	ENG	Bowood	72	72	69
22	11:01	1	Matthew JORDAN	ENG	Royal Liverpool GC	69	72	71
			Francesco LAPORTA	ITA	San Domenico Golf	73	70	69
			Aldrich POTGIETER	RSA	Pinnacle Point Golf Estate	73	70	66

Game	Time	Tee	Name	Country	Attachment	R1	R2	R3
1	09:11	10	Todd CLEMENTS	ENG		71	73	74
			David RAVETTO	FRA	RCF la Boulie	77	69	73
			Jorge CAMPILLO	ESP	Norba Club de Golf de Caceres	75	72	72
2	09:22	10	Sebastian SÖDERBERG	SWE	Black Mountain GC	75	72	72
			Dylan FRITTELLI	RSA	UT GC	76	71	72
			Ewen FERGUSON	SCO	Bearsden GC	71	74	74
3	09:33	10	Erik VAN ROOYEN	RSA		75	73	71
			Nacho ELVIRA	ESP		73	76	71
			Robin WILLIAMS	RSA	Peterborough Milton GC	70	74	76
4	09:44	10	Matteo MANASSERO	ITA	Gardagolf CC	74	75	71
			Aaron COCKERILL	CAN	The Els Club Dubai	76	74	70
			Calum HILL	SCO	Gleneagles Hotel	78	72	70
5	09:55	10	Daniel BROWN	ENG	Romanby GC	71	75	75
			Niklas NORGAARD	DEN	Kokkedal GC	71	76	74
			Sam BAIRSTOW	ENG	Club de Golf Alcanada	72	74	75
6	10:06	10	Thomas DETRY	BEL	Royal GC of Belgium	76	71	75
			Alexander BJÖRK	SWE	Vaxjo GK	78	73	71
			Connor SYME	SCO	Drumoig Golf Centre	76	72	75
7	10:17	10	Danny WILLETT	ENG	The Belfry H&R	73	76	74
			Dale WHITNELL	ENG	Crondon Park	76	75	72
			Ryggs JOHNSTON	USA	Cabinet View GC	75	77	71
8	10:28	10	Bernd WIESBERGER	AUT		76	75	73
			Grant FORREST	SCO	The Renaissance Club	77	74	73
			Ryan VAN VELZEN	RSA	Benoni CC	79	74	71
9	10:39	10	Ugo COUSSAUD	FRA	Golf de Arcangues	70	79	76
			Marcel SIEM	GER	Heritage Mauritius	72	79	74
			Simon FORSSTRÖM	SWE	Gamebook	72	79	75
10	10:50	10	Darius VAN DRIEL	NED	The Outpost Club	76	77	73
			Sami VÄLIMÄKI	FIN	Nokia River Golf	79	73	75
			Ryo HISATSUNE	JPN	SBS Holdings	76	78	73
11	11:01	10	Tom MCKIBBIN	NIR	Galgorm	77	75	77
			Jordan GUMBERG	USA	Adios GC	72	81	78
			Daniel GAVINS	ENG	Howley Hall GC	78	76	79

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