



Eight year-old Brandon Weir is our sports star of the week

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Only 8, but already holder of more than 80 trophies

THIS week's sport star is Brandon Weir, a young golfer who is said to be following in the footsteps of Retief Goosen.

At just eight years of age, Brandon has already won over 80 trophies in the four years that he has been playing.

Brandon started playing golf after watching his older brother tee off in their back garden and deciding that he liked the sport.

He subsequently completed the Gary Player Golf Experience junior programme and won the Gary Player Future Player award twice in 2007 - at the tender age of four.

He now plays two to three tour-

naments a month. He played in the world qualifiers at Eagle Canyon and won the six-year-old division, and represented South Africa at both the Callaway junior world championship in San Diego, California, and the US Kids world junior championships in Pinehurst, North Carolina, two years ago.

Last year, Brandon won his division by three shots at the Eagle Canyon qualifiers. This achievement afforded him the opportunity to represent South Africa at the European junior championships in Scotland and the World junior championships in the US.



Brandon has again qualified to represent South Africa in the European championships in Scot-

land, the Callaway junior world championships in San Diego, US, this month, and the US Kids World Junior Championships in Pinehurst, US, next month.

He currently leads the order of merit in the South African kids golf tour in his age group, and has earned three first places, a second place, and a third place in this year's young golfer tour.

His first hole-in-one was at the West Bank golf course in East London during December 2009 while practising for the world qualifiers. Brandon continues to play all tournaments available to him, and is looking forward to the next one.

TELL US ABOUT YOUR STARS

METRO Sport is calling for nominations for our school sports star of the week. If there is someone at your school or club who you feel deserves the honour, tell us about him or her. Send a description of their achievements, together with a picture, to theo.garrun@nl.co.za. Boston City Campus and Business College will award the winning nomination each week a bursary to do a course of their choice at a Boston campus.