

# 2015 South Australian Golf Industry Awards Night

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## SCRIPT

Ben Hook (MC)

I would now like to invite **Richard James** (of the South Australian Golf Course Superintendents Association) and our next Award Sponsor, **Andrew Manthorpe** (Turf Client Manager from Globe Australia) to come forward to present:

### (SA GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION) AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TURF MANAGEMENT

**Richard James**

The Award for excellence acknowledges outstanding achievements by a Course Superintendent within the last 24 months, with the recipient demonstrating one or more of the following:

- course improvements beyond regular maintenance activities
- ability to improve their facility within existing budgets
- ability to overcome adversities
- being original in their techniques and initiatives
- ability to exceed expectations of the club membership
- going above and beyond the regular call of duty

#### Blurb On Winner

This year's recipient has been the Course Superintendent at his club since May 2000, having being employed just 18 months into the Club's \$1.4m course redevelopment project. This redevelopment saw a stunning transformation and is a credit to the architects' and the Club's vision and the dedicated and committed work of our recipient and his course maintenance team.

In recent years he has also overseen the establishment of the \$2.4m Aquifer Storage and Recharge (ASR) project which demonstrates the value of water re-use and stormwater recycling through the construction of man-made wetlands.

Our recipient has been instrumental in the development and documentation of the Club's course maintenance policies and procedures, which coupled with the major project works, sees the course better equipped to meet the challenges of the future through greater sustainability.

His emphasis on reducing inputs in marginal or out-of-play areas to allow for greater focus on the playing surfaces has benefited the club greatly, and the results of his work have been clearly acknowledged by not only club members, but by the fact that Glenelg Golf Club that has seen a steady rise up the national course rankings.

The SAGCSA is proud to present the Award for Excellence in Turf Management to:

**Daryl Sellar** from Glenelg Golf Club