2015 South Australian Golf Industry Awards Night Saturday 17 October 2015

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Ben Hook (MC)

The Club Volunteer of the Year Award is for a person nominated by their golf club whose efforts have been significantly beneficial to the management of the club. The volunteer may be involved in such tasks as oncourse work, Match Committee duties, administration or a Board Director. The work they have contributed to the club is recognized as selfless, constructive and profitable for the club.

For COUNTRY awards - nomination forms were forwarded to their District Secretaries - with each of the eight Country District Committees able to select their female and male finalists.

METROPOLITAN club nominations - were received directly by Golf SA. This year there will be **NO** Metropolitan Female Award due to a lack of nominations.

Winners of the three Volunteer awards have been selected by representatives of the SA Industry Awards Night Organizing Committee.

*I have been told that there were outstanding nominations across all 3 Volunteer Awards.

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I would now like to invite Brendon Harslett (of Programmed Property Services) to come forward to present the:

COUNTRY FEMALE VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

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The recipient of this Award joined her Golf Club 45 years ago and is a Life Member.

She has held the following positons for over 20 years; Ladies Treasurer, Assistance Club Treasurer and Men's Competition Starter for over 30 years and still continuing.

The Award recipient was an inaugural member of her clubs very popular "Golf Week" Committee and Draw Team and has been involved with the event for over 35 years.

In her clubs major tournaments she has been involved in all facets of the competition, from buying trophies for the winners to being heavily involved with preparing the Draws of 1,000 games during 'Golf Week'.

Through being an attentive supporter of Junior Golf, she has made herself available walking with junior players, offering assistance with their game, along with checking scores.

She was also the Pennant Team Coordinator for her Districts Pennant Competition and travelled with the team to all competitions.

Continuing with her great love for golf, every Saturday she takes her position in the starter's room calling all players to the Tee Block ensuring that the competition runs in an orderly manner & all players are relaxed & ready to enjoy their game. She is currently still the Men's Starter each week.

She has been a devoted member of the Clubs Catering Group for over 30 years, who cater for 10 weddings a year with up to 150 guests a night. Her contribution has been enormous.

She currently also volunteers twice weekly in collecting green fees and hiring of golf carts for the last 10 years.

Her Club has stated that she is a "wonderful Club Member who has every individual at heart & will always endeavor to please everyone."

What a wonderful volunteer - Ladies and Gentleman the Country Female Volunteer of the year is:

Jeanette Daw – Port Augusta Golf Club (Northern District)