

# 2015 South Australian Golf Industry Awards Night

Saturday 17 October 2015

## SCRIPT

**Ben Hook (MC)**

I would now like to invite to the stage **David Tapping** (PGA) to present the next three PGA awards.

### (PGA) SA PRO-AM OF THE YEAR

**David Tapping**

Professional golf in Australia is having a boom with Jason Day winning the USPGA and reaching the world number 1 spot, Adam Scott continuing his status in the world top 10, and fellow players such as Leishman, Bowditch, Senden and Jones, and newcomer Cameron Smith keeping golf in the media and in front of the next generations of golfers.

South Australia is also having strong representation on the PGA Tour of Australasia with Nick Cullen's dramatic bunker shot for victory at The Australian Masters last year, and great showings from Adam Bland, Paul Spargo and Jason Norris kept South Australia punching above its weight in Australian professional golf.

With Antonio Murdaca's win in the Asian Pacific Amateur, playing at The Masters and recent decision to turn pro, the future for professional golf in SA remains bright, and it is our opportunity to showcase these talented players and assist us in growing the game.

Our Choice Hotels Pro Am circuit in South Australia gives our future professionals somewhere to learn and play alongside our experienced professionals, as well as bringing Australia's past champions to the state in our EZGO Legends events.

In 2015, our South Australian Pro-Am circuit consisted of 7 Legends and 6 Open tournaments throughout both metro and regional South Australia, and to recognise the outstanding efforts that our Pro-Am host clubs put into their events, each year we present 2 awards to our Clubs for the Legends Pro-Am of the Year Award and the Open Pro-Am of the Year Award.

The winner of the 2015 South Australian PGA Choice Hotels Pro-Am of the Year is:

**Flagstaff Hill - Dave Potter Honda Pro-Am**