

# 2017 South Australian Golf Industry Awards Night

Saturday 21 October 2017

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

### Barry Bryant

The next Award for **Excellence in Turf Management** is being sponsored by Globe Australia.

Globe representatives are unfortunately unable to attend tonight so **Tim Warren** from the Superintendents Committee will make the presentation on Globe's behalf.

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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

Apart from successfully hosting the *Australian Women's Open* in February this year, our recipient has worked closely with the club's Course Architect to implement the restoration of this iconic course to its original design philosophies through the re-design of key holes, the widening and linking of selected fairways and the removal of non-native trees and shrubs.

Our recipient has made innovative changes to playing surface maintenance, and has supervised work and altered maintenance practices to propagate native plants and grasses to reduce maintenance requirements and add texture, contrast and interest to the golf course framing the playing corridors throughout the changing seasons.

A hard-working, practical but visionary leader whose efforts to return this iconic golf course to its former glory we acknowledge with the awarding of the SAGCSA Award for Excellence in Turf Management to:

### **Nathan Bennett from Royal Adelaide Golf Club**