

The South Australian Senior Order of Merit resumed on Monday 5th of February at the South Lakes Golf Course located at Goolwa on the River Murray Mouth. Conditions were perfect with 28 degrees, sunny skies and a mild southerly breeze (by South Lakes standards).

This relatively new event, opening the SA Calendar, has proved popular with players assembling with much enthusiasm for the season ahead. The popularity was evidenced not only by all the usual suspects turning out but also a large number of local players making up ,an excellent field of some 80 players – a great promotional effort by the South Lakes Club.

Order of Merit champion, and Australian representative, John Davey, despite claiming to have hardly hit a fairway, opened his defence in style with a 74 to take out the event but only by 1 stroke from Bruce Lindner, who will turn out for the Golf Australia team to play against the ADF team, with Nigel Turner another stroke back. Close competition from some of SA's best Seniors.

Local player Brenton Hill, celebrated scraping in as a Super Senior, with a 76 to take out that category from Alan Cooper – nice to see Alan back in good health.

Both the Senior and Super Senior nett placegetters threw up some new names – hope these guys have now got a taste and will be seen at more events throughout the season. Greg France took the Senior honours and Kevin Cartwright's superb 65 nett won the Super seniors with another newcomer, Ansi Baumanis, stiff to come second.

The course was in excellent condition and the event well run and a good day was had by all. Many thanks to South Lakes.



Seniors Gross		
John Davey	Tea Tree Gully	74
Bruce Lindner	Kooyonga	75
Nigel Turner	Links Lady Bay	76
Norm Cordina	Tea Tree Gully	79
Seniors Nett		
Greg France	SA Prison Officers GC	70
Mark Griffiths	The Grange	72
Darryl Peek	McLaren Vale GC	72
Bruce Lindner	Kooyonga	73
Super Seniors Gross		
Brenton Hill	South Lakes	76
Alan Cooper	Mt Osmond	77
Gordon Whittaker	Mt Barker	79
Ken Brown	Tea Tree Gully	79
Bill Winslow	The Grange	79
Super Seniors Nett		
Kevin Cartwright	South Lakes	65
Ansi Baumanis	South Australian Taxi GC	66
Harry McKendry	South Lakes	68