Royal Adelaide Seniors Taken Out by Visitors

Monday morning, 2 September 2019 – Spring !! and a strong field of over 80 SA Seniors plus many welcome interstate visitors ventured out onto the hallowed turf of Royal Adelaide for their round of the SASOOM round that starts the big two weeks of senior golf in SA.

A strong northerly wind and warm conditions initially posed a real challenge but later overcast skies and the odd rain drop saw the wind abate for good scoring conditions. White tees provided a fair course length and excellent greens although many found them a trickier than they looked ! As always, for good golf courses, good golf is rewarded and the lesser amongst us get appropriately punished.

It was interesting to see that there was a strong representation of those from interstate spread across those featuring amongst the prize-winners.

Senior Geoff Walker from Young in NSW, playing at Royal Adelaide for the first time, didn't find too many difficulties to shoot 74 just ahead of Glenn McGough (Blackwood) with 75. Glen is former top pennant player who is getting serious about senior golf and confirming his credentials from his younger days. 3rd-5th places all went to those usual suspects from Tea Tree Gully – Norm Cordina, John Davey and Phil Allen.

Super Seniors went to a perennial performer and popular winner in Colin Hallam from Redcliffe Golf Club posting a 78 This was Colin's first visit to Royal Adelaide since he qualified for the last 16 of an Australian amateur and played (subsequent touring Pro) Wayne Smith – this was a little while ago though !! Howard Slater (Yarra Yarra) and local champion David Cherry chased Colin home from another welcome regular visitor to SA in Chris Gray (Bonville).

Seniors Nett went to Peter Shaw (The Grange) from fellow member, Kim Meyer on a countback. Super Seniors winner was John Taylor from Glenelg ahead of Andrew Long (Mt Osmond).

An excellent lunch augmented by wine from sponsor O'Leary Walker accompanied the presentation, run with ruthless efficiency by Honouree Life Member and Immediate Past President, David Cherry.

A great start to the major SA senior events and thanks go from all participants to the host club for the privilege of playing the esteemed RAGC layout.



Geoff Walker



Peter Shaw



Colin Hallam



John Taylor