



**SOUTHERN CAPE
GOLF UNION**

SOUTHERN CAPE SENIOR GOLF CHAIRMAN REPORT – 2016

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the clubs within the Southern Cape area for their continued support towards Senior Golf and for letting us use their facilities. A special thank you to all our loyal Senior players for supporting the Southern Cape Senior Open's.

We have ended the year with a total data base of 135 players and on average 70% of these players compete regularly in our tournaments.

There was a total of 14 Order of Merit tournaments that were held by Southern Cape Senior Golf. The attendance of our monthly tournaments was great and the fields vary from 50 to 70 players. Our field for the Dolphin Trophy, played this year at Cape St Francis, was 54 players vs the 43 odd from of Eastern Province. It's important that this venue remains an Order of Merit tournament to ensure that the lower handicaps enter.

27 February

Plettenberg Bay
77 players
Leon Schutz (75)

12 March

Oudtshoorn
40 players
Cecil Badenhorst (70)

30 April

Goose Valley
56 players
Bertus Smit (69)

14 May

Pezula
56 players
Bertus Smit (72)

26 & 27 May

Fancourt Senior Open
116 players
Highest placed Bertus Smit tied 4th

29 & 30 May

SC Senior Open
124 players
Highest placed Fanus Pauw tied 4th

18 June

Oubaii
67 players
Neil Abrahamse (73)

23 & 24 July

SC Senior Closed
45 players
Bertus Smit (74, 70)

13 August
Pinnacle Point
48 players
Leon Schutz (72)

17 September
Simola
58 players
Leon Schutz (72)

15 & 16 October
Dolphin Trophy
54 players
The SC team won

12 November
Knysna
63 players
Andy Procter (74)

3 December
George
TBA

We would like to thank Terry Otto from K 1 Quarry for sponsoring our monthly competitions over the past year, this sponsorship will not be renewed for 2017.

Team event highlights of the year:

- IPT team's success to stay in A-division
 - Finished 6th overall
 - Neil Abrahamse, Deon Kruger, Johan Marais, Andy Mynhardt, Fanus Pauw, Patrick Radley, Leon Schutz, Berus Smit
- Super Seniors success to stay in the A-division
 - Finished 5th overall
 - Joseph Booysen, Peter Hodson, Colin Short, Johan Smuts
- Quintangular teams won Cup in East London for the second year in a row
- Congratulations to Johan Marais who won the KZN Senior Spring Open
- SC won the Dolphin trophy against Eastern Province for the 2nd second year in a row.

The Dolphin Trophy format should be reconsidered. The feeling amongst players is that we revert to Goose Valley and Plettenberg Bay GC as in the past if available. Not far to travel for both provinces. The number of Eastern Province players were the same this year as previous years when we played at Goose Valley and Plettenberg Bay.

The spirit amongst the Seniors are also great. We must just ensure that everybody, low and high handicappers feel part of Seniors and that it's not only about the IPT teams etc.

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(Senior Golf Chairman)