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23 – 24 August 2014

PLETTENBERG BAY COUNTRY CLUB



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REPORT TO	DCAS
TOURNAMENT	2014 Southern Cape Women's Amateur Open and Closed Championships
DATE	23 - 24 August 2014
VENUE	Plettenberg Bay Country Club
SPONSORS	Western Province Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport (DCAS)
TOURNAMENT FORMAT	A Division, handicaps 9 and under, – 54 holes stroke play (36 holes Saturday and 18 holes Sunday)
	B Division, handicaps 10 - 18, – 36 holes stroke play (18 holes Saturday and 18 holes Sunday)
	C Division, handicaps 19 - 26, – 36 holes Stableford points (18 holes Saturday and 18 holes Sunday)
ENTRY DETAILS	<p>A Division - 16 players B Division - 11 players C Division - 16 players Total of 43 entries with 6 A Division players ranked in the top 50 South African Amateur Women. Some of the top ranked A division amateurs who usually play in the Southern Cape tournament are in grade 12 and were busy with exams.</p> <p>There was a total of 6 junior entries and 4 of the junior entrants are ranked in the top 40 South African Amateur Juniors.</p>
PROVINCES REPRESENTED	<p>Boland 1 player Border 6 players Central Gauteng 3 players Eastern Province 2 players Gauteng North 1 player Mpumalanga 1 player Northern Gauteng 2 players Southern Cape 29 players Western Province 1 player</p>
RULES OFFICIALS	Cliff Barnard and Rita Herholdt
SCORING	Albatros Golf Manager was used again very successfully. The players t-off times on Sunday were sent by SMS via the Albatros Golf Manager on Saturday after the days play and the results were available within 20 minutes after the last player's scores were entered.



The DCAS flags flying high in Plettenberg Bay.



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Final scores being verified.



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RESULTS

The A Division gross winner was Demi Flanagan from East London Golf Club, Border Union with rounds of 77, 76 and 80 resulting in a gross total of 233 for the 54 holes. The conditions on Saturday were cold and windy but Demi played her A-game and was the wire to wire winner for the A Division. The sunny conditions on the Sunday were enjoyed by all and produced very good rounds of golf. Our Southern Cape squad member Marguerite Pienaar came 4th carding an 82, 83 and 80 with a gross 245. Marguerite won the Southern Cape closed division.

Demi was also the A Division overall nett winner with a nett total of 221.

Charnay Williams was Southern Cape A Division Junior winner with a gross total of 261.

The B Division was won by Adele Beytell, Pretoria Golf Club, Gauteng North with a gross total of 167. The B Division nett winner with a total of 147 was Darell Phillips, Plettenberg Country Club. Darell was also the Southern Cape B Division winner for her gross and nett totals. Hijke Pretorius, Mossel Bay Golf Club was the Southern Cape B Division junior winner.

The C Division was won by Margie Stewart from Plettenberg Bay Country Club with a total of 81 Stableford points. Margie was the overnight leader and held off the competition with a total of 43 Stableford points on the Sunday. Margie was also the Southern Cape winner for the C Division. The Southern Cape junior winner was Sylken Leigh November, Kingswood Golf Estate, who battled on the Saturday but regrouped on the Sunday with 39 points and in 5th position overall for the C Division.



Left: Mr Phillip van Reenen, representative from DCAS with Demi Flanagan, A Division winner and Rita Herholdt, President SCWGA.

Middle: Mr Van Reenen with Adele Beytell, B Division winner.

Right: Mr Van Reenen with Margie Stewart, C Division winner.

Right: Mr Phillip van Reenen with Marguerite Pienaar, Southern Cape A Division winner.

Middle: Mr Van Reenen with Darell Phillips, Southern Cape B Division winner.

Far Right: Mr Van Reenen with Charnay Williams, Southern Cape Junior A Division winner and Rita Herholdt.





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<p>Summary</p>	<p>The Plettenberg Bay Country Club's course is in excellent condition, lovely green fairways and greens, lots of trees and a few tricky water traps. The players commented that the course played long. The A Division was set up as a 72 stroke rating course whilst the B and C Division was setup as a 71 stroke rating course.</p> <p>With using the Albatros Golf Manager system, the results of all the divisions were being televised on the Plettenberg Country Club's TV screens as the scores were entered after 9 holes and then the totals after the day's play. The screens drew players and supporters for checking how the players were performing.</p>
<p>Challenges</p>	<p>The players are becoming far more selective in which tournaments they compete. This is mainly due to financial reasons as the girls are amateurs and receive no sponsorship. The players are tending to play in championships closer to home and where flights and accommodation are more affordable. The expensive air fares to George is a real problem for the championships. The distance between Plettenberg Bay and Cape Town influenced the Western Province entries.</p> <p>Demi Flanagan, the overall winner, thanked DCAS for their support to the Southern Cape Women's Golf Association and the SCWGA for organising the tournament.</p>



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