JUPITER'S BILL KING WINS THE FLORIDA STATE SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

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PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. - Jupiter's Bill King outdueled Surfside's Gunnar Bennett to claim the 1998 Florida State Senior Championship at The Legacy Golf and Tennis Club. King, who was tied with Bennett at 3-under following the second round, shot a final-day 73 to finish five strokes ahead.

King won the tournament by shooting 1-under on the final nine holes, while Bennett closed with a 39.

"It was a very close match until the 15th hole," Bennett said. "I tried to lay-up and hooked it into the swamp. I ended up with a triple bogey. After that, I had to start firing at the pins and that didn't work."

"It was decided on 15," King agreed. "He had birdied the 14th to move to one back. We both hit it in the swamp. His next shot went over the green, while 1 hit the pin and fell about two feet away. I ended up making par and going up four strokes."

This makes the second Florida State Senior Championship title claimed by King. He also won in 1996.

"This is a good finish for me," Bennett said. "I don't play enough to be tournament tough like some of these guys. I was delighted with my play." Bennett's resume includes a win at the Mid-Ocean Invitational in Bermuda last November and a win at the Senior Porter Cup.

The top five rounded out with Orlando's Craig Edward (76-73-73--222), Palm City's Charles "Doc" Cunningham (72-78-75--225) and Brandon's George Cordial (81-75-69--225).

KING AND BENNETT TRY TO RUN AWAY WITH THE FLORIDA STATE SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

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PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. - Jupiter's Bill King and Surfside's Gunnar Bennett both fired 69's at The Legacy Golf and Tennis Club today to post a two-day total of three-under 141 at the Florida State Senior Championship. Robert Navesky of Lecanto is five strokes back in third place after following his first-round 72 with a 74 today.

King, a retired engineer, had a bogey and a double bogey to go with six birdies, "I hit the ball as well as I can," King said. "I had two birdie putts of a foot and another of about two feet." The bogey and the double bogey occurred right before the turn, but King turned it around by making birdies on his tenth and eleventh holes.

Bennett, a financial planner, described his 69 as "nothing remarkable, just four birdies and a bogey."

Co-first round leader Charles "Doc" Cunningham of Palm City fell with a 78 today for a two-day total of 150.

The final round will be played Thursday with play starting at 8:00 a.m. The leaders begin play shortly after 2:00 p.m.

THE SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP THE LEGACY						
			RND	RND	RND	
			1	2	3	TOTAL
1	BILL KING	JUPITER	72	69	73	214
2	GUNNAR BENNETT	SURFSIDE ORLANDO BRANDON PALM CITY WEST PALM BEACH ORLANDO NAPLES OCALA LAKE LAND GRENELEFE BONITA SPRINCS	72	69	78	219
3	EDWARD CRAIG	ORLANDO	76	73	73	222
4	GEORGE CORDIAL	BRANDON	81	75	69	225
4	CHARLES CUNNINGH	PALM CITY	72	78	75	225
6	VINCENT PAUROSO	WEST PALM BEACH	77	71	78	226
7	AUSTIN JONES	ORLANDO	73	78	76	227
8	PHIL SAYLOR	NAPLES	73	80	75	228
8	BOB GUNNELL	OCALA	75	76	77	
10	DAVE ANDERSON	LAKE LAND	76	80	73	229
10	TOM METZGAR	GRENELEFE	74	80	75	229
10	ALLAN BREED	DONTIA DININGD	76	77	76	229
10	JOHN WARD	WINTER PARK	76	76	77	229
10	GEORGE ANDRE	PALM BEACH GARDENS	78	72	79	229
10	CLYDE GIBSON	HOBE SOUND	76 78 74	74	81	229
10	ROBERT NAVESKY	LECANTO	72	74	83	229
17	BILL FEEHAN	MARCO ISLAND	79	79	72	230
17	ROBBY STANFORD	ORLANDO	75	81	74	
17	JACK VEGHTE	CLEARWATER	75	80	75	230
20	BO WILLIAMS	OCALA	82	74	75	231
20	BOB LONG	BOCA RATON	79	73	79	231
22	ED GARVER	LUTZ	79	74	79	
22	BILL BOSSHARD	FT. MYERS	74	77	81	232
24	JOSEPH UNDERWOOD	STUART	74	85	74	233
24	BOB HUGHES	FT MYERS	77	78	78	
24	RON LECLAIR	FERN PARK	76	77	80	
27	JOE EUBANK	DAYTONA BEACH	82	74	78	234
27	TERRY LOUIS	JUPITER	76	78	80	234
27	CURT MADSON	MT. DORA	76	78	80	234
27	MELVIN DACE	GAINESVILLE	77	76	81	234
31	JERRY ROONEY	MELBOURNE	76	79	80	235
31	STANTON AYER	MELBOURNE	80	74	81	235
31	JOHN PRICE	SARASOTA.	77	76	82	235
34	JAMES MANNIX	ROCKLEDGE	83	76	77	236
34	RICHARD LECKEY	PALM BEACH GARDENS	76	82	78	236
34	CLIFF TAYLOR	PALM BEACH GRDNS	78	76	82	236
34	JACK BOYD	LECANTO MARCO ISLAND ORLANDO CLEARWATER OCALA BOCA RATON LUTZ FT. MYERS STUART FT MYERS FERN PARK DAYTONA BEACH JUPITER MT. DORA GAINESVILLE MELBOURNE MELBOURNE SARASOTA ROCKLEDGE PALM BEACH GARDENS ORLANDO PALM BEACH GARDENS	81	80		
34	DAN CRONIN	PALM BEACH GARDENS	85	75	76	236

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98 ED HOUTS TAMPA 8	9 84	90	263
98 BUD ALLEN BOCA. RATON 9	1 81	91	263
100 HAROLD MANNING PALM CITY 8	6 86	92	264
101 DALE WRIGHT MERRITT ISLAND 9	4 82	91	267
101 JIMMY MURPHY NORTH MIAMI 8	8 84	95	267
103 TOM RICHARDS LAKE LAND 8			268
103 HAROLD NEWBURN MIAMI 8		9ê	268
106 BARRY BARNARD VERO BEACH 8	9 91	91	271
107 JOHN FELTEN VERO BEACH 10	0 89	84	273
108 TERRY SEIDERS SARASOTA 9	3 98	84	275
109 ANTHONY GEE TALLAHASSEE 8	7 96	94	277
110 DON BESMAN WELLINGTON 9	2 95	98	285
111 KEITH AUSTIN GAINESVILLE 9	3 102	94	289
111 JAMES BROADFOOT BOCA RATON 9	7 97	95	289
113 ALEX MCCONNELL DEBARY 9	1 97	103	291
114 BRUCE BUBENZER TAMPA 9	8 96	100	294

THE SUPER SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP THE LEGACY

1	JOHN RUGGIERO	WEST PALM BEACH	80	80	80	240
2	MICHAEL MATTWELL	OCALA	76	86	79	241
3	ROBERT ORNITZ	DELRAY BEACH	82	81	80	243
4	RUSS BROWN	BRADENTON	81	84	81	246
4	PAUL DEMICK	STUART	82	81	83	246
6	CHARLES HIGHLEY	FT. LAUDERDALE	83	85	80	248
7	KENNETH YOUNG	FT. MYERS	82	85	84	251
8	NEWT HODGKINS	DELRAY BEACH	89	81	84	254
8	BILLY NAPIER	WINTER HAVEN	90	83	81	254
10	CHARLES MURPHY	MIAMI	93	89	89	271
10	STEVE ORLICH	PENSACOLA	95	88	88	271
12	BOB HEAD	GAINESVILLE	92	86	97	275
13	OSCAR SALTER	FT. LAUDERDALE	97	93	87	277
14	FRANK MACE	LAKELAND	89	98	95	282