



2026 AGM-  
WELCOME TO  
PETERSFIELD GC

# ITINERARY

10:00AM: TEA & COFFEE WILL BE SERVED AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO NETWORK.

10.30AM: PRESENTATION FROM SARAH BARTER: ENGLAND GOLF -  
HEAD OF HANDICAPPING AND COURSE RATING.

11:15AM: PRESENTATION FROM HAMPSHIRE GOLF.

12:00 AGM WILL COMMENCE.

12:45 (APPROX.) - LUNCH

RICHARD ARNOLD

COUNTY SECRETARY

# GENERAL UPDATE

- PARTICIPATION UP ACROSS ALL TOURNAMENTS IN 2025
- 2018 TO 2025 UP FROM 400 TO 674 (68% INCREASE) 4.5% INCREASE ON LAST YEAR
- OFFICE LINK WITH HAMPSHIRE PGA
- WHS SUPPORT – GUY MERRY: 111 ENQUIRIES VIA HELPDESK IN 2025 & 4 WHS TRAINING VISITS TO CLUBS
- LEADING THE WAY WITH FIRST COUNTY SIMULATOR MATCH V HERTS
- PROUD TO BE NOMINATED FOR COUNTY OF THE YEAR TO SHORTLIST OF 3 IN THE ENGLAND GOLF AWARDS
- FIRST MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID COURSE

# ONE VISION, ONE COUNTY: UNIFYING GOLF IN HAMPSHIRE

- PLEASED TO REPORT THAT THINGS ARE PROGRESSING.
- 2026 JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP WILL BE A JOINT EVENT FOR THE FIRST TIME
  - FIRST MEETING OF THE UNIFICATION WORKING GROUP ON 23<sup>RD</sup> FEB
- WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE GOLF IN HAMPSHIRE IS BEST SERVED BY A UNIFIED SITUATION



# COURSE RATING

- 10 YEAR ROSTER
- AMAZING TEAM OF OVER 20 VOLUNTEERS.
- ROLLING OUT NEW AF1 SYSTEM IN 2026.
- NEW INVESTMENT FOR 2026
- COURSE MEASUREMENT



# REFEREES AND RULES



- AMAZING TEAM LED BY MATT WILLIAMS
- CLUB SUPPORT FOR GENERAL & LOCAL RULES.
- SUPPORT FOR CLUB EVENTS
- RULES AMBASSADOR COURSE & LEVEL 2 COURSE AT HOCKLEY

ACTIVELY PROGRESSING INDIVIDUALS THROUGH  
LEVEL 2 & 3

- WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN IN?

# INAUGURAL COUNTY DISABLED CHAMPIONSHIP

- FIRST DISABLED CHAMPIONSHIP AT PAULTONS GOLF CENTRE
- RUN ALONGSIDE EDGA AS A WORLD RANKING EVENT
- RYAN ARCHER (BOUNDARY LAKES) 1<sup>ST</sup> WINNER
- ADAM DALTON (ROYAL JERSEY) SECOND
- THIS YEAR AT BRAMSHAW ON 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPT.
- BRITISH BLIND MASTERS WEEK OF 17<sup>TH</sup> AUG.





- CREATING RELATIONSHIPS WITH GOVERNING BODIES
- LOOKING AT WINTER SIMULATOR TOURNAMENTS
- INSPIRATIONAL – WHAT THIS GREAT GAME CAN DO

# MENS TEAMS

- 1<sup>ST</sup> TEAM 3<sup>RD</sup> AND CHALLENGE TEAM  
WINNING THEIR LEAGUE
- PATHWAY THROUGH COUNTY AND  
BEYOND IS STRONG
- INCREDIBLE SUPPORT AND  
RELATIONSHIP WITH TAYLORMADE AND  
ADIDAS



# JUNIOR PROGRAMME

- OVER 170 IN OUR JUNIOR PROGRAMME
- DEVELOPMENT REMAINS ONE OF OUR KEY OBJECTIVES.
- AVERAGE BOYS WITH WHS FROM 10 TO 13 NOW UP TO 17.5 (600+ PENDING)
  - LOWEST HANDICAP JUNIOR PLAYING OF +4.5. 11 YEAR OLD OFF 3.
  - CLOSE LINKS AND PROGRESS WITH JERSEY & GUERNSEY
- EXCELLENT STRUCTURE IN PLACE, OVERSEEN BY DAVID MATTHEWS & CHRIS HARRISON.
- INCLUDES: CODE OF CONDUCT, PSYCHOLOGY, NUTRITION, STRENGTH & CONDITIONING, ACCESS TO UPGAME FOR DATA AND EVEN TRAINING FOR THE PARENTS.
- THE VIDEO PLAYING HERE WAS A REAL HIGHLIGHT OF THE SEASON LAST YEAR AS WE ARRANGED A SURPRISE VISIT FROM THE TAYLORMADE TOUR TRUCK. MARK THISTLETON, A FORMER COUNTY PLAYER, HEADS UP THE TOUR DEPARTMENT AND PAID US A VISIT AT OUR PRESENTATION DAY AT BASINGSTOKE GC- THE LADS GOT A FULL TOUR EXPERIENCE WATCHING A TOMMY FLEETWOOD SPEC DRIVER BEING BUILT, SHOWN AROUND THE WORKSHOP AND A FEW GOODIES THROWN IN! A TRULY INSPIRATIONAL DAY FOR THE SQUADS.



# JUNIOR PROGRAMME CONTINUED...

- PROGRESSION INTO THE MEN'S LEAGUES IMPROVING ALL THE TIME ALREADY PROVING SUCCESSFUL
- GREEN JACKETS CLUB KO (26-28) & JUNIOR CHAMPS (U10-U18), NUMBERS CONTINUE TO INCREASE (65-73).
- JUNIOR ORGANISER SEMINAR WITH ENGLAND GOLF AND GOLF FOUNDATION, COMMUNITY WHATSAPP ESTABLISHED
- ADDITION OF THE HAMPSHIRE VALUES AWARD – FIRST WINNER GEORGE SCOTT





# FUTURE CHAMPIONS TOUR

- FCT- REMAINS A COUNTY PRIORITY  
– GREATER INVESTMENT IN 2026
- UP TO 20 EVENTS FOR THIS SEASON
- POSITIVE FEED INTO U12 SQUAD
- RATED SHORT COURSES HELPING
- AMAZING FEEDBACK FROM KIDS,  
PARENTS AND CLUBS.
- FAMILY DAYS AND FRESH FORMATS,  
GOLF WAY KIT AVAILABLE
- NOTHING BETTER THAN SEEING  
THESE KIDS LOVING THE GAME

# WELFARE

- Confident that we have 'best practice' approach in place for our own young players:
- Director of Welfare & ED&I
- Working closely with England Golf Safeguarding Team
- Open culture
- Committed to supporting our clubs – Acting as a place for guidance
- Mental Health
- Culture changed in elite squads, coaching, players, parents....proud of the way we are presenting ourselves
- England chose us to pilot the way forward.



*Joanna Cook*  
*County Welfare Officer*



Invitation~  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March  
6-8pm at Basingstoke GC

Club Welfare Officers  
&  
Junior Organisers

‘Keeping Our Clubs Safe’

**You are welcome at our preseason  
workshop to support clubs across the  
county to create a safe and inclusive  
environment for all.**

An interactive session with County Welfare  
Officers and England Golf



**RESPECT  
IN GOLF**





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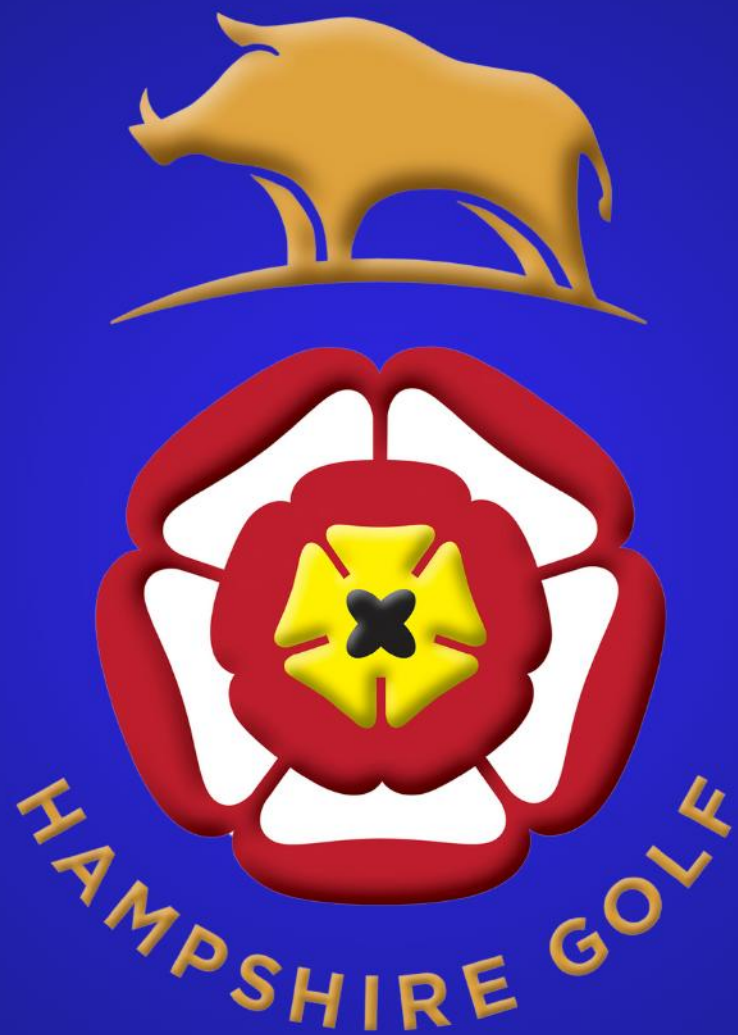
# COUNTY WEBSHOP



# SUMMARY AND THANK YOU

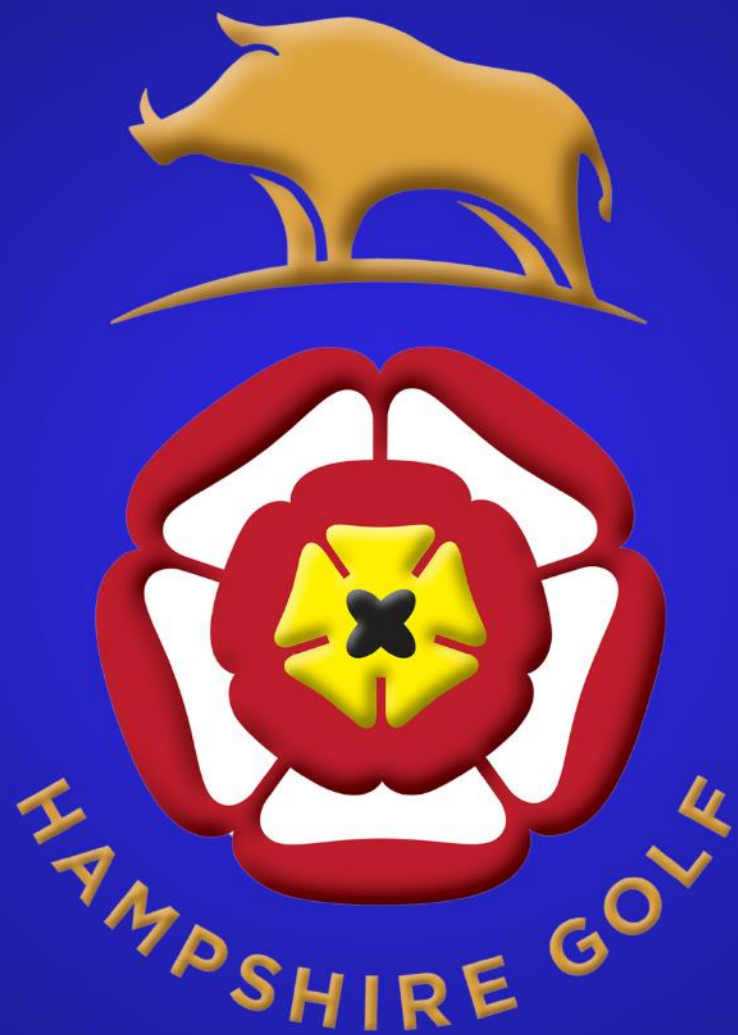
ANY QUESTIONS AND FEEDBACK ALWAYS WELCOME?

HAMPSHIRE GOLF





Steve Williams  
1964-2025





## Charlie Forster, Basingstoke GC

- Named as an ambassador for Basingstoke Golf Club.
- First college titles came in 2025 when he won twice, at the Lake Las Vegas Invitational and Wyoming Cowboy Classic.
- Part of Team International who beat the USA 35-25 in the Arnold Palmer Cup
- Represented Europe at the Bonallack Trophy between Europe & Asia. Still only one of two players in Hampshire History to play in this match
- Was part of the GB&I team which beat Europe in the St Andrews Trophy
- Represented England at the European Amateur Team Championship, finishing T4 after the strokeplay rounds before helping his country to the semis in matchplay.
- Bronze Medal in the World team Championships representing England, in Singapore.
- Culminating in being named in the Great Britain & Ireland Walker Cup team to face America at Cyprus Point, winning two points for the team.

