



HAMPSHIRE GOLF 2019 LIMITED

PRESIDENTS REPORT FOR 2021

This is my third report as County President - and following an extremely curtailed 2020 golfing calendar (courtesy of the various Covid lockdowns) 2021 did at least allow us to make a return to some semblance of normality for the County golfing calendar. All of the major County golfing events were completed successfully - and all of the South East Group League and Knock-Out fixtures took place - albeit that the 1st team and Colts league events were restricted to singles matches only, rather than the traditional foursomes (morning) and singles (afternoon).

For a second year there are no major amateur titles or County Finals success to report about, though there have been some excellent individual performances and to a certain extent there has been a 'changing of the guard' with some of the younger talent in the County coming through in the major events, and also in making their appearance at 1st team level. I continue to be hopeful that some team and further individual successes may not be too far away.

One note of sadness to report was the recent passing of Tony Childs - our former Chief Referee and who served on the Committee for a number of years, and who could always be relied upon to offer counsel on the Committee's deliberations.

[Addendum: Following the circulation of this report to delegates Hampshire Golf suffered the tragic loss of Terry Riddett – who died suddenly on the evening of 14th February 2022.

Terry was a huge part of Hampshire Golf as Finance Director, Head of Referees and involved in the safeguarding and development of the County. His dedication and effort were unmatched, but it will be his support, decency and most of all friendship that we all remember and cherish the most.

Our thoughts are with his wife Elizabeth, son Nat and the family at this difficult time.

Those present at the AGM stood for a minutes silence to remember Terry]

So, on to the individual successes.

Individual successes

Toby Burden has had a great year. Following on from 2019's success in winning the County Championship and becoming the first ever Hampshire winner of the England Golf Men's Champion of Champions, this year Toby narrowly lost out in the in the final of the County Championship (for the second year running). He then went on to win the Courage Trophy, the Cole Scuttle and the Hampshire Order of Merit - becoming the first Hampshire player to win this prestigious treble. By virtue of his winning the Order of Merit Toby was presented with the Cullen Quaich.

A couple of other items of note - well done to Martin Young who qualified for the British Seniors Open in 2021. Also to Alan Mew - who as England Seniors Manager led his team to victory in the Home Internationals at Woodhall Spa and to 1st Place in the qualifying event at the European Team Championships in Slovakia. Best wishes also go to Owen Grimes who turned professional last year.

Addendum: At the AGM the President also verbally recorded the success of one of the 'legends' of Hampshire Golf – Richard Bland – and his success in winning the British Masters at the Belfry in May 2021 – at 48 becoming the oldest first winner on the European Tour. Huge congratulations to Richard.

At Junior level Charlie Forster (North Hants) had a great year, winning the South of England Boys title, with Tom Chalk (Hockley) winning the Southeast Group Junior Championships.

In the England Schools Championships, the Hampshire Team of Charlie Forster, Drew Mackinnon, Will Green, Sam West, Nick Matthews and James Hellyer won the Southwest Boys School Championships. Charlie winning with one under from Nick Matthews also on 1 under, Sam West in third and Will Green in eighth all qualifying for the national finals.

In the National Finals Charlie Forster and Will Green both earned caps for an international fixture versus Wales. Unfortunately Charlie had to go to the US to start his scholarship, but Will played the match, winning an international cap. Congratulations to all of the successful Juniors.

This document contains reports from the various Team Managers - so I will leave you to read more about 2021 from their perspective - one comment that I would add though is that with all of the events that I attended in 2021, I have no doubt that we have the players at all levels with the skill that can succeed, but it's more a question of delivery on the day. The day two performances of both the Juniors and the Seniors in the South East 6 Man events at Kingshill and Kingswood respectively showed that the talent is there.

Before listing the winners of the key County events in 2021 I would like to take the opportunity to extend my thanks and my gratitude to those Clubs that allowed us the privilege of playing these Championships on their courses.

So, on to the list of Winners for those County Honours events that were played in 2021.

- County Championships - played at North Hants:
 - County Champion - Joe Hacker (La Moye)
 - 36 Holes Qualifier - Harvey Denham (South Winchester)
 - Team Trophy - Hockley
- Senior County Champion (Played at Barton-on-Sea) - Trevor Gray (Royal Jersey)
- Junior County Champion - Charlie Forster (North Hants)
- Under 13 Champion - James Redfern (North Hants)
- Under 12 Champion - Albie Beeston (North Hants)
- Under 10 Champion - Zach Wheeler (Cams Hall)
- Order of Merit:
 - Hampshire Order of Merit - Toby Burden (Hayling)
 - Senior Order of Merit - Trevor Gray (Royal Jersey)
 - Junior Order of Merit - Thomas Conquest
- Courage Trophy (Played at Stoneham) - Toby Burden (Hayling)
- Cole Scuttle - Toby Burden (Hayling) [This is for the best 72-hole aggregate at the County Championship and Courage Trophy]
- Mid-Amateur (Played at Stoneham)- Stuart Archibald
- County Foursomes (Played at Liphook) - Joe Foster and Richard Harris (Hayling)
- Mid-Amateur Foursomes (Played at Liphook) - Ryan Henley and Richard Elmes (Stoneham)
- Senior County Foursomes (Played at Weybrook Park) - Jonathan Sweeney & Colin James (Bramshaw)
- County Sevens (Final at Bramshaw) - Cams Hall
- Green Jackets - Hockley

Other activities

As well as the playing activities during 2021, a number of other things happened. We saw the retirement, in

July, of our County Secretary - David Wheeler - and his replacement - Richard Arnold - taking up his new post from August. I have more to say on that in the 'Thank you' section below.

We are continuing to get used to the new structures of the Board and Committee that were implemented as part of the Incorporation. One thing that became clear as we developed 'Role descriptions' for the Board members was that we were potentially setting ourselves up to fail by expecting more from our volunteers than perhaps was reasonable (and this is probably why we were having difficulty in filling all of the Board positions.)

We are currently looking at the balance of activities that are carried out by the County Secretary and the Board / Committee in comparison with our neighbouring Counties - many of whom have brought the 'volunteer' activities into a more professional core in the County Offices.

On this topic I would flag again that there are opportunities to help with the County should any of your members be interested in volunteering. If there is anybody that you think fits the bill please let the County Secretary know via email (secretary@hampshiregolf.co.uk)

The new Website is now close to being released - the structure is in place and we are currently populating with content. It's possible that this may be released before the AGM - but if not it will be very shortly thereafter.

Junior Development

The Under 18's is a major part of our vision moving forward and we continue to explore ways to help and encourage the development in this area. The work of Chris Farr as Junior Coordinator has been a big step in this initiative and his experience and drive are already building for the future. The introduction of Dr Golf - for strength, conditioning and nutrition is a new venture providing the education players need in today's game if wishing to succeed at the highest level. Golf DataLab has also been introduced, which is a performance measurement platform and enables all players and coaches to see regular data on all areas of their game.

Moving forward, the County have traditionally worked with players from under 12 upwards. We are looking to build a programme in that works from as young as 6 upwards. This works well in other counties and sports and an area we feel we can improve immensely.

David Matthews is now taking over from Wayne Matthews as Junior Manager and David has already been working hard with Chris. We are all very excited with the prospects for the junior golf in Hampshire over the coming years.

I would also like to express my thanks to our many junior team managers and volunteers that are working with us to build 'Team Hampshire'. We could not do it without you.

Thank you's

I cannot let this opportunity go by without extending my grateful thanks to the following:

To Terry Riddett, for his work as Finance Director, he is also our County Development Group Representative, Chief Referee and go to man on Safeguarding matters.

To Steve Williams for his continued advice on Incorporation (and to picking up the Seniors Team Manager role) and to John Moore, our IPP and Chair of the Championships Committee.

Continued thanks to Course Rating Team, led by Nicky Harden.

To all team Captains and Managers.

To all the Members of our Board and Committee, and to our team of Referees and all of the Volunteers.

Thanks to Judy Andrews for looking after our accounts.

A repeat thank you to all those Golf Clubs for the use of your courses for our competitions. The County and the players do appreciate your generosity and the sacrifice that your members make in giving us this access.

I would like to record my personal thanks to the huge effort put into Juniors Golf by Wayne Matthews and Rob Mulcahy (among many others) - both of whom stepped down in 2021 after a number of years. You can begin to get an appreciation of the amount of time and effort put into the Junior setup by reading Wayne's report later in this document. As indicated in the Junior Development section above, Chris Farr and David Matthews now take this work on. Good luck and best wishes to all concerned.

Thanks also go to Nat Riddett who steps down as Colts Manager. It would have been a fitting end to Nat's time as manager if we could have won the South East playoff in October. Alas, that was not to be!

Lastly, but by no means least, I would like to express grateful thanks to both of the Secretaries that have been involved in 2021. Firstly to our previous Secretary David Wheeler. David proved to be a continuing pillar of strength in supporting myself and the many facets of Hampshire Golf 2019. David retired in July 2021 and I wish him all the very best in his retirement.

Our new Secretary - Richard Arnold - worked in tandem with David for a couple of months before taking over the reins in August 2021. Richard has been a very positive addition to Hampshire Golf 2019 - and I look forward to continued working with him during 2022. Many thanks to Richard for all of his help and advice.

FINANCE DIRECTORS REPORT FOR 2021

The company accounts for the year show a slight excess of income over expenditure totalling £3,561 which includes the purchase of the Trackman Flightscope for £20,539.

The Covid refund - which was provisioned for in last accounts - was paid out during the first quarter of 2021. Close to £43,000 was repaid to all clubs that were up to date with their fees.

Due to Covid restrictions in the early part of 2021 there was a slightly reduced level of training and friendly matches, but the majority of competitive events were complete. Junior development continues and investment in juniors will remain a priority for the County as set out in the Presidents report above.

There was a recognition that whilst 2021 was significantly better in Covid terms than 2020, there were a number of Clubs that were lagging in collection and reporting of affiliation fees and it was not felt appropriate to be inflexible in collection of this income in the relevant period. Affiliation fee income is therefore lower than expected but is now being recouped and will show in next year's accounts.

Over previous years County membership has been reasonably stable around 26,000 with it likely to peak this year around 28,000 however, if the experts are to be believed we should expect to see a decline over the next year or two as players are able to return to their other sports that were not available to them during the Covid lockdowns. England Golf have recently announced new strategies to attract Junior members in partnership with the Golf Foundation and it is anticipated that the Independent Golfer scheme will also begin to feed new players into the membership system.

With the proposed cessation of the sale of Individual County Cards we will be putting all our financial eggs in one basket, but this should allow us to reduce the overhead in terms of running the County Card

system whilst providing an added benefit for the average golfer and hopefully removing any burden on the club management.

Our new Secretary has been leading the Board and Committee in reviewing what we offer as a County in comparison with neighbouring Counties and the answer appears to be that these Counties offer “more” - more support to clubs, more knockout competitions, more championships, more education and more opportunities for networking - these won't happen overnight but we will begin to work towards these as soon as manpower allows.

Investments in technology were made to improve the collection of player data by the purchase of a TrackMan flight scope and a new website is being rolled out in February 2022. We continue to increase our support for the Islands by increasing funding for coaching either at home or by travelling to the mainland. This is one challenge that is unique to us as a County and our Secretary has already made visits to two of our Islands to investigate how we can most effectively support golf development. For instance this year we see 10 players from Guernsey in the Junior Teams and Development Squads.

A final comment on England Golf's desire to use WHS to facilitate the collection of Affiliation Fees, at a recent meeting of County Secretaries and Treasurers it was felt by the floor that although WHS numbers are getting closer to the Annual Returns they are not accurate enough yet. However it would be sensible over the next year or so to clear out any duplicates or deadwood in your WHS systems as the link to Affiliation Fee collection is (probably) more of a when rather than an if.

Terry Riddett - Finance Director

CAPTAINS REPORT FOR THE 2021 SEASON

Well, after testing my patience over the past 18 months the competitive season finally got underway this season.

Please see below my summary report for 2021.

Hampshire V Dorset - Broadstone GC - 9th May 2021 - Hampshire win 4.5-3.5

Our first competitive match of the season was against Dorset at Broadstone GC, with a day at Broadstone the weekend before for a team get together, this paid its dividends and allowed us to be as prepared as we could under the circumstances.

Selection for the team was a challenge with an almost full squad available and no previous form, this making the selection more difficult, therefore selections were done on experience. With the late withdrawal of Tom Robson due to an ankle injury, Sam Parsons stepped in at the last minute.

It was an extremely tight match going down to the wire.

Team - Toby Burden, Ryan Moody, Martin Young, Sam Parsons, Colin Roope, Matt Wilcox, Owen Grimes and Mark Burgess

Hampshire V Kent Hockley GC - 30th May 2021 - Hampshire win 4.5-3.5

Our second fixture of the season saw us take on the current England golf champions Kent, this was always going to pose a strong challenge. Kent decided against a practice round which certainly worked in our favour with the 3 matches that went to the 18th where Hampshire secured a vital 2.5 points. A crucial eagle from George Saunders on the 18th to halve his match turned the game from a draw to a win for Hampshire.

Team - Toby Burden, Ryan Moody, Martin Young, Sam Parsons, Colin Roope, George Saunders, Owen Grimes and Darren Wright

County Championships

The County Championships took place in June and attracted a very strong field on a very hot

weekend at North Hants GC.

From a captain's perspective this was an extremely successful event, with several of my squad making the knockout stages.

However, the emergence of Jo Hacker and Joe Buenfield was extremely encouraging, and I'm pleased to announce they were both added to this year's squad and been selected to play in our next league match and the England golf qualifier.

British Amateur Championship

The British Amateur championship at Nairn GC, 4 Hampshire players entered the event (George Saunders, Owen Grimes, Jo Hacker and Jordan Sundborg), only one player made the knockout stages, Jo Hacker, who was eventually knocked out in the Quarter finals.

Hampshire V Sussex - The Dyke GC -27th June - Sussex win 5.5-2.5

With our first match after the county championships, we gave a debut to two new players, County Champion Jo Hacker and Semi Finalist Joe Buenfield. The rest of the team were made up by senior players, Colin Roope, Ryan Moody, Martin Young, Sam Parsons, Toby Burden & George Saunders. Within extremely testing conditions, we were out played by Sussex, the damage was done on the greens where Sussex outplayed Hampshire.

Hmpshire V Surrey - Rowlands Castle GC -2nd August 2021 - Match tied 4-4

Going into the match knowing that we needed a win to potentially finish on top of the league and make the League final which is being played in Hampshire (The Army). With an experienced team which included three Rowlands Castle members. Hampshire got off to a hot start and were up in six matches through 9 holes, unfortunately Surrey finished strong and turned some of the later matches in their favour ending the result with a tied match. This left us with an extremely slim chance of making the league final. Team that played against Surrey was - Tom Robson, Martin Young, Ryan Moody, Colin Roope, Jordan Sundborg, Darren Wright, Jo Hacker and Toby Burden.

The final league position is shown below:

SEG County League - South								
	COUNTY	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1	Surrey	4	3	1	0	20	12	7
2	Hampshire	4	2	1	1	15.5	16.5	5
3	Sussex	4	2	0	2	17.5	14.5	4
4	Kent	4	2	0	2	16.5	15.5	4
5	Dorset	4	0	0	4	10.5	21.5	0

England Golf South Eastern Golf Qualifier - 10th July 2021 - Hampshire -12

The six man was hosted by Eaton Golf Club in Norfolk, arriving for 2 practice rounds helped us prepare as much as we were able to. The golf course was very well manicured, soft, and short which

turned out to be a birdie fest. We got off to a good start through 14 holes in the morning, 2 specific holes would cost us 10 shots and put us way behind the leaders after the morning round. We got out of the blocks quick in the afternoon with some good scoring for the whole team. The scoring for the event was extremely high with the Winners BB&Q shooting -25. Hampshire finished 5th on -12.

Unfortunately, we lost Jordan Sundborg the week prior with COVID issues and Colin Roope on the morning of the event with COVID Issues. The team who played were Joe Buenfield, Jo Hacker, Ryan Moody, Martin Young, George Saunders and Toby Burden.

All in all, not the season I was hoping for, however we will bounce back stronger for next year.

Friendly Match Versus the Burley

We finished the season with our traditional friendly at The Burley Gold Club, I would like to put on record my thanks to The Burley who always make this a great day.

Whilst this report reflects the season of 2021, we have learnt a lot about 2021 and preparations are underway for the 2022 season.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all clubs that have hosted us this year as well as the many supporters and best wishes we receive before each event; it is really appreciated by myself and the players.

Neil Dawson

Hampshire County Captain

COLTS REPORT FOR THE 2021 SEASON

The 2021 season for the Colts was a success, it saw the team win both group fixture against Surrey and Kent.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions the format of the matches was altered to 8 singles instead of the usual foursomes and singles.

The team did extremely well to beat Surrey away in awful weather, which was followed up with a win against Kent at Stoneham. This win was special as the team did not drop a match, filling the team with confidence heading to the final.

These wins qualified the team for the Colts South East Final, played in October against Essex.

Final league positions are shown below:

SEG Colts League - South								
	COUNTY	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1	Hampshire	2	2	0	0	12.5	3.5	4
2	Kent	2	1	0	1	8	8	2
3	Surrey	2	0	0	2	3.5	12.5	0

In the final the format returned to the more usual morning Foursomes and afternoon Singles.

Unfortunately, the final didn't play out as expected for the side, as in the run up to the final we lost a number of players who either returned to American colleges or were turning professional.

In the final itself the side battled throughout the day with numerous matches swinging either way until the final few holes - ultimately leaving us 3-1 down at lunch. The afternoon singles were a much tighter affair, with Hampshire coming out fast to draw the final level. Unfortunately, in the crucial 7th match that would decide the winner, injury struck Hampshire when we were up. Although fighting on through obvious pain we were unable to hang on losing the 17th, thus losing the final.

Over the season we used upwards of 15 players in 3 matches, with many younger graduates from the juniors making their debut for the colts in the final, which was a positive outcome.

I am sad to say that I will be stepping down from my role as Colts manager and passing the role onto Lawrence Cherry for the 2022 season. I wish Lawrence all the very best in his new role.

Nat Riddett

Hampshire Colts Manager

SENIORS REPORT FOR THE 2021 SEASON

In line with the rest of the Country, we started 2021 in a state of uncertainty with regard to what golf we would play.

Due to the situation with COVID the Past Present Future match was cancelled and also the match with Jersey.

However we remained on the front foot with regard to looking at what we could do and with the opening up for golf I am pleased to report that we had a full season of competitive team events and also the County, South East and National individual competitions.

The County Championships took place at Barton and attracted a very strong field on a sunny but very breezy day, with particular comments on the quality of the course. A lot of good golf played in tough conditions and the day produced a very worthy winner in Trevor Gray from Royal Jersey. Phil Evans also from Jersey finished just a shot back and a lot of the other prize wines were also from the island. I am not sure what this says, but it was great to see our Island colleagues coming to the mainland in good numbers and I am sure they enjoyed the trip!! Matt Williams from Hayling had an excellent day and restored some mainland pride by winning the Handicap from Robert Messervy of Royal Jersey.

Our other Order of Merit event organised by the County, was the Autumn meeting at Hockley in October. On a very windy day at Hockley Gary Prince from Brokenhurst Manor prevailed in the Scratch and Brian Mortimer, also from Brokenhurst won the handicap prize.

Gary's victory clinched the Scratch Order of Merit and Robert Messervy (Royal Jersey)won the Handicap. Congratulations to both.

Before turning to team matters, on an individual basis there were some good results from a lot of players. However, we are proud to have Alan Mew as a long standing supporter of Hampshire Golf and all of our teams. He has been given the honour of being appointed the Captain of the England Seniors team and led them to victory in the Home Internationals at Woodhall Spa. They then followed this up with 1st Place in the qualifying event at the European Team Championships in Slovakia.

On the international scene, I would also like to congratulate Phil Evans on his efforts in attempting to be selected for the Welsh Seniors team. He did exceptionally well in their Order of merit and was very unlucky not to be selected.

We started our League campaign with a home fixture against Dorset at Lee-on-the-Solent GC and being able to select from an almost full squad, we came out convincing winners by 7.5 to 2.5 giving us a lot of confidence for the year ahead.

After this however, our campaign fell away, apart from an excellent effort in the 6 man team qualifier. The rest of the results were as follows:

League Results

- Dorset at Lee on Solent GC - Won 7.5 to 2.5
- Sussex at Barton On Sea GC - Lost 7 to 3
- Surrey at Burhill GC - Lost 6 to 4
- Kent at Rochester GC - Lost 6 to 4

The final league positions were as follows:

SEG Seniors' League - South								
	COUNTY	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1	Sussex	4	4	0	0	26.5	13.5	8
2	Kent	4	3	0	1	21.5	18.5	6
3	Hampshire	4	1	0	3	18.5	21.5	2
4	Surrey	4	1	0	3	18.5	21.5	2
5	Dorset	4	1	0	3	15	25	2

Other Results

- SEG 6 Man Team Qualifier at Kingswood GC - Joint 2nd
- SEG Foursomes Qualifier at Alresford GC - 4th out of 4

Whilst there has been a lot of good golf played and all the matches were close until the final couple of games we have ultimately come up short in the last 3 fixtures.

The Sussex game was rearranged to Barton-on-Sea, where we came up against very strong Sussex side, who have taken all before them this season. Some of the golf played in this game was exceptional, but despite this, the final result turned on small margins, including injury to Phil Evans whilst 3 up, and 2 matches losing on the 18th.

That result left us with an uphill task as we needed to win both our away games and hope Sussex slipped up if we were to make the league finals. We travelled to Burhill to take a Surrey team who on paper were very strong, but who also found results hard to come by this year. The result again was in the balance with 2 matches on the course, however Surrey proved stronger on the day.

Finally, we visited Kent at Rochester with 2nd place in the table achievable with a win. This was again a very tight affair with a lot of matches going to the 18th. The loss was disappointing but we did show our fighting spirit and gives us confidence that with a few changes in our preparation (which I will come to) we can be competitive next year. Additionally we have given debuts to 4 players this season and with the experience of 2021 behind them I know they look forward to producing more points in 2022.

The 6 man team was played at Kingswood GC and we started the 1st day very slowly with a lot of dropped shots in the 1st 9 holes. There is no real reason for this, although as later starters on the practice day we only played a few holes due to a thunder storm ending the day early.

However we fought back very well over the last 27 holes and whilst a long way behind Sussex who dominated proceedings, we can be proud of Joint 2nd place.

Hosting the SEF Foursomes at Alresford, should have given us an advantage however, on the day we were soundly beaten into 4th place with Sussex again taking their place in the Finals which were held at Waterloooville GC.

May I take this opportunity to offer my sincere thanks to the members and officials at all the clubs above who hosted our matches and events. This not only means a lot of work at the clubs concerned but also means that members give up their course, which is particularly difficult in the present climate and is greatly appreciated.

Next year we hope to learn a few lessons regarding the league. For a variety of reasons the dates and venues of our league matches were either changed or arranged later than would be ideal. Additionally, the other counties play their home matches on the same course so they take full advantage of being the home team.

We had therefore arranged with Stoneham to host our matches in 2022 which has the advantage of being the home club to a number of the team as well as being well known to most of the players, however with the great difficulty in arranging county diaries and course availability Rowlands Castle have kindly stepped in to host the Kent match.

The good news is all the matches have been booked and therefore the players can plan their diary well in advance.

This is particularly important given that the UK Seniors Golf Tour is flourishing and attracting many of our players. The core of our team has generally been available, however our matches seem to have clashed with UKSGA events and with players committed to entrance fees and hotel accommodation, there has been a lot of unavailability from fringe players.

We are looking at how we can gain commitment from more players next year to play for the county whenever selected. Additionally, it has been apparent that the other counties appear to have been better on and around the greens. It is probably no coincidence that they have all travelled as a team to both home and away matches the day before and we will look to do this, were possible, next year as well.

We are also well advanced in arranging a couple of training days at Stoneham as well as investing in new kit for the team as we did not spend anything in 2021 due to the uncertainty early in the year.

With our pre-season matches at Hayling and the PPF in the diary, together with our trip to Jersey also arranged, we look forward to a better 2022.

Steve Williams

Hampshire Seniors Manager

JUNIORS REPORT FOR THE 2021 SEASON

2021 started slowly with continued COVID-19 restrictions limiting some individual events at the start of the season including junior opens and national events. With the restrictions lifted we could get back to playing golf with the inter county league matches, junior opens and individual events.

There have been both team and individual successes over the season as you will see from the report, showing the strength of talent that we have in Hampshire Boys junior Golf.

Chris Farr is now well established in his role as head junior coach providing coordination and cohesion across the age groups providing a seamless pipeline for the development of our most talented junior golfers.

Chris has been putting in place with David Matthews relationships with other organisations including the EZGO Tour and Hartpury College.

The coaching team was strengthened with the addition of Kev Flynn, alongside the established team of Chris Farr, Kev Caplehorn, Kev Saunders, Adam Glass, and Barny Wytchard.

With Sports Psychology Coach, Charles Kelly we have put in place a program to improve the boys' mental strength, this has shown great benefits for the Under 12, 14 and 16s.

Underpinning the program is a team of volunteers who give up endless amounts of time to give the county's talented young golfers the best opportunity to be the best that they can, including the managers, Rob Mulcahy, David Matthews, Spencer Haines, Richard Beeston, Tino Alonso, Simon Elkins and many more. As well as an extremely supportive committee led by President Alan Drayton.

The highlight of the season was the Under 18s finishing second in the Southeast Group Team Finals, going the whole season not losing a match.

Handicaps

The new World Handicap System came to effect which took a little time to get used to. Once it settled down it was ok, with boys achieving handicaps as low as +3, +4.

Kit

The boys have looked great in their new kit which has been available across the age groups. Thank you to Tim Markwick and Puma for their continued support.

Scholarships

We see more of our talented golfers secure scholarships in the US, as our latest crop start their university courses. Good luck to them.

Under 12s

Manager: Richard Beeston, Simon Elkins

Coach: Adam Glass (Wokefield Park), Barney Wytchard (Sherfield Oaks)

The Under 10s and Under 12s were combined to make provide an improved program for the younger players, bringing them into the set-up at an early age and igniting their development.

To give players an opportunity to play competition golf, we have teamed up with the Hampshire EZGO Tour which is a fantastic introduction to competitive golf in the county. Run by PGA Coach Colin Murray it provides the perfect steppingstone for talented junior golfers to progress into the Hampshire Squad.

In the annual match between Surrey and a combined Hampshire/Sussex Team, whilst losing 4.5 to 3.5 points it was a close match with notable performances, boding well for the future of Hampshire Junior Boys Golf.

Under 12 Player of the Year: Albie Beeston

- Performance during training (on the course)
- Win percentage against Surrey, Sussex & Wilts
- County Championships performance

Jack Elkins and Jayden Cole were very close and notable mentions for Zack Wheeler and Ivo Rees.

Under 14s

Manager: David Matthews, Tino Alonso

Coaches: Kevin Caphelorn (Lee-on-the-Solent), Chris Farr

Psychology: Charles Kelly

Captain: Luca Alonso

U13 Sussex Salver: In the U13 three-way match versus Sussex and Surrey the team struggled against a very strong Surrey Team who were runaway winners.

U14 League: In the league Surrey took the title with Hampshire finishing a very credible second place with strong performances against BB&O and Sussex.

SEG U14 League - South								
	COUNTY	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1	Surrey	6	6	0	0	39.5	8.5	12
2	Hampshire	6	3	0	3	20.5	27.5	6
3	BB&O	6	2	0	4	19.5	28.5	4
4	Sussex	6	1	0	5	16.5	31.5	2

U14 Player of the Year: Mark Matthews

- Attended every training session
- Highest win % in county matches
- Winner of Training Day OOM medal
- U14 Junior County Champion

Under 16

Manager: David Matthews, Spencer Haines

Coaches: Kevin Saunders (Highcliffe Castle), Kevin Capelhorn (Lee-on-the-Solent)

Captain: Harvey Denham

Under 15 Triangular (versus Sussex and Surrey): In the triangular match with Surrey and Sussex we could not hold onto our crown, with Surrey taking the title with 18 points, Hampshire and Sussex finishing joint second on 9 points.

Under 16 League: The U16s came third in the league level of points with Sussex, losing out on countback by games won.

SEG U16 League - South								
	COUNTY	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1	Kent	6	5	1	0	37.5	10.5	11
2	Sussex	6	2	1	3	22.5	25.5	5
3	Hampshire	6	2	1	3	18.5	29.5	5
4	Surrey	6	1	1	4	17.5	30.5	3

U16 Player of the Year: Harvey Denham

- Attended every training session other than 1 due to injury
- Highest win % in County Matches
- Winner of the Training Day OOM

Under 18 (Wayne Matthews)

Manager: Wayne Matthews, Rob Mulcahy

Coaches: Kevin Saunders (Highcliffe Castle), Kevin Flynn (Tournurbury)

Captain: Nick Matthews

Donnelly Shield (versus Dorset and Sussex): The Donnelly Shield played at Test Valley, a three-way match versus Dorset and Sussex. Format is 10 players, 8 aggregate scores to count. Hampshire won with a considerable margin, 3 shots per player:

- Hampshire +27
- Sussex +51
- Dorset +57

6 Man Qualifier: The U18s came fifth, with Essex winning from BB&O on countback with -5. It was a game of two halves, shooting +16 on the morning and -9 in the afternoon. -9 was the best performance for any team across the morning and afternoon rounds.

5th	Hampshire	376	351	727	+7
	Tom Chalk	76	73	149	+5
	Harvey Denham	76	68	144	LEVEL
	Charlie Forster	72	69	141	-3
	William Green	76	71	147	+3
	Drew Mackinnon	76	74	150	+6
	Nicholas Matthews	78	70	148	+4

Foursomes: Due to fixture clashes, injury, and general availability of players we had to field a young side with 5 of the 8 players coming in from the U16 squad, and at least 2 were Under 14. We came 4 out of 5 teams. The younger players played very well and show great promise for the future, which gave me great encouragement. Although they are young they acquitted themselves brilliantly.

4th	Hampshire	236	238	474	+36
	William Green & Drew Mackinnon	79	80	159	+13
	Harrison Price & Freddie Wilson	75	80	155	+9
	Harvey Denham & Ben Jupe	82	84	166	+20
		83		83	+10
	Luca Alonso & Mark Matthews	78		78	+5

League: U18s won the league and played in the regional finals versus Kent and Bedfordshire. In the finals Hampshire drew both matches 4-4 with Kent winning both matches and winning overall. The boys played exceptionally well digging in and never giving up. We wanted the Gold Medal, but had to settle for Silver, taking pride that they had gone the season without losing a match. We were without our strongest player (Charlie Forster) as he had departed for the US.

SEG U18 League - South								
	COUNTY	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1	Hampshire	6	4	2	0	29	19	10
2	Sussex	6	4	1	1	31.5	16.5	9
3	Kent	6	2	1	3	22.5	25.5	5
4	Surrey	6	0	0	6	13	35	0

The final match of the season, the last one for many of the U18 Squad is the Paul Hurring match versus the PGA Assistants at Test Valley. The PGA Team was far too strong winning 10-2.

Under 18 Player of the Year: Harvey Denham

- Appeared in every match this year and lost one league match.
- Level par over 36 holes in the SEG 6-man qualifier.
- A great performance in the Men's County Champs to win the 36-hole Strokeplay.

Junior Championships

The Junior Championships were held at Cams Hall Golf Club, the Champions, the Junior Champion was Charlie Forster:

Under 14 Mark Matthews

Under 16 James Plater

Under 18 Charlie Forster

Under 14 Nett Mark Matthews

Under 16 Nett James Plater

Under 18 Nett Mark Matthews

Congratulations to all champions.

Junior Order of Merit

Congratulations to Sherfield Oaks Thomas Conquest, who has won both the gross and Nett Junior Order of Merits for 2021. Thomas amassed 51 points in the Gross OOM, finishing ahead of North Hants Joseph Lewis (31) and Royal Winchester's Isaac Haines (29).

The Nett OOM was a little closer with Thomas on 41.5 points ahead of Joshn Potterton (Lee-on-the-Solent), with Hockley's Tommy Brammar in 3rd (22).

Scratch Order of Merit

	Name	Club	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	13	15	Total
1.	Thomas Conquest	Sherfield Oaks	6	8.5	8.5	8.5		4.5	6	5.5	8	5.5	51
2.	Joseph Lewis	North Hants	6	10			1				6	8	31
3.	Isaac Haines	Royal Winchester		5			2	10		3	9		29

Handicap Order of Merit

	Name	Club	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	13	15	Total
1.	Thomas Conquest	Sherfield Oaks	4.5	8.5	7	5			6	2	7	3.5	41.5
2.	Joshua Potterton	Lee-on-the-Solent	10	1				7	8.5	2	0.33	1	29.83
3.	Tommy Brammar	Hockley				2	9		10			1	22

Green Jackets

Hockley won the The Green Jackets Finals versus Rowlands Castle, Shanklin and Sandown, and Bramshaw.

Hockley went on to play in the Junior Club Finals at Woodhall Spa finishing in 7th place,

National / Regional Competitions

South of England Boys

Charlie Forster won the South of England Boys with an impressive 13 under par over 4 rounds. The second successive year that a Hampshire player took the title with Sam West winning in 2019.

Southeast Group Junior Championships

Tom Chalk went one better than last year's second place to winning the championship by one shot, played over 18 holes due to COVID restrictions.

Results		Gross [click for Nett]	x
1st	Tom Chalk(2) Hockley	71	
2nd	Lawrence Jefferys(-1) John O'Gaunt Golf Club	72	
3rd	Miles Gray(-4) Etchinghill	72	

England Schools Championships

The Hampshire Team of Charlie Forster, Drew Mackinnon, Will Green, Sam West, Nick Matthews and James Hellyer won the Southwest Boys School Championships. Charlie winning with one under from Nick Matthews also on 1 under, Sam West in third and Will Green in eighth all qualifying for the national finals.

In the National Finals Charlie Forster came 4th and Will Green 7th both earning caps for the international versus Wales. Charlie had to go to the US to start his scholarship, with Will playing the match and winning an international cap.

England Golf U18 Championship

The inaugural England Gold U18 Championships, the first England Gold mixed junior event was held at Farnham Golf Club. Charlie Forster took 9th place, and Will Green also playing.

England Golf U14 Reid Trophy

The Reid Trophy was well endowed with Hampshire players including Mark Matthews, Harry Naughton, Luca Alaonso, Ray Sanmathy and Alexandra Estridge, with Luca Alonso and Ray Sanmathy finishing 48th and 64th respectively.

England Golf U16 MacGregor Trophy

Harvey Denham and Harrison Price played in the MacGregor Trophy held at Camberley Heath Golf Club, with Harvey finishing an excellent 15th.

England Golf U18 Carris Trophy

Charlie Forster, Tom Chalk, Harvey Denham, and Drew Mackinnon played in the Carris Trophy at the Bristol and Clifton Golf Club, with Charlie and Tom finishing 15th and 52nd respectively.

England U18 Regional Squad

In 2021 Hampshire had 5 players in the England U18 Regional South Squad:

- 2nd Year DiSE: Nick Matthews, Charlie Forster
- Tom Chalk, Drew Mackinnon, Sam West

In 2022 Hampshire has 3 players in the squad: Harvey Denham, Drew Mackinnon, and Tom Chalk.

Junior Player of the Year

The Junior Player of the Year, winning the Vardon Trophy is Charlie Forster. Charlie has had an exceptional year with outstanding results:

- Tied 8th U18 England mixed Championships
- Tied 12th Carris Trophy
- U18 Hampshire County Champion
- South of England Boys Champion shooting 13 par
- 2021 Hampshire Schools Champion
- Southwest Schools Champion 2021
- 4th English Schools Championship
- Top Amateur in 2 Clutch Pro Tour events
- Made match play for Hampshire County Champs taking it to extra hole.
- 3rd U18 Welsh Youth Open Championship
- Hankley Club Champion

Thank You

I would like to say thank you to everyone involved in Hampshire Golf, Manager's, Coaches, Committee, parents, and the players, you are the people that make Hampshire Golf great.

I would like to thank some of the team that leave us this year.

- Spencer Haines who signs off as U14 and U16 Assistant Manager to take a more prominent role in junior club golf.
- Tino Alonso, U14 Assistant Manager.

A special thank you to Rob Mulcahy who has been my wing man for many years. Rob has done so much for the advancement of Hampshire Junior Golf, he secured us the best kit, taking us from the Rainbow County to the envy of the other counties, secured venues that we previously could not get, and together we built a team that were feared by our rivals Surrey, Sussex, and Kent. Along the way sharing great success:

- The Sussex Salver (shared with Surrey) the first time ever that Hampshire had its name on the trophy.
- The U15s shield versus Surrey and Sussex.
- The Donnelly Shield (versus Sussex and Dorset) in 2019 with Tom Chalk winning the individual event.
- The SEG U16 Championships in 2018 beating Hertfordshire who had 4 internationals in their team.
- And all you have seen in this report for the Under 18s.

Thank you to the teams we have played against over the years, we have had great matches and made many friendships, there has always been huge respect amongst all the teams.

A massive thank you to my wife Gina, and daughter Ruby who have supported myself and Nick.

And the man himself who got us all into this, my son Nick, without him this would have never happened. I am proud of what he has achieved, made more difficult living on an Island. He has had to endure early mornings catching ferries for matches, back on late ferries and had to suffer the fact that his dad was always there. I am glad that I got to share your adventure and thank you son for everything.

Signing off

This is my last AGM report as I officially retire from role as Hampshire Manager. I have been involved in some capacity over a period of nine years, firstly as a parent then as so many parents do, I got more involved. Starting with the helping with coaching on freezing cold winter mornings at Alresford Golf Club, looking after match days, U14 Manager, and then overall Team Manager.

I am very proud to have played a small part in the development of Hampshire Junior Boys Golf and improving on the platform which was built by John Moore, Mike Gregory, and others before them.

Most importantly I am extremely proud to have played a part in the personal development of so many talented junior golfers who I have seen grow up into great young men. We have enjoyed some great times, and many successes. They will always be very close to my heart and will enjoy following their careers whatever they choose to do.

I have met so many great people along the way and have enjoyed every minute of the adventure.

Looking Forward to 2022.

David Matthews takes over as Junior Manager, David has already made an impact, he has energy and passion for Hampshire Golf. I am sure that he will do a fantastic job with many others joining his team. I wish him and everyone well for the future and will enjoy keeping up on how everyone is doing. Good luck.

