



2025 Competitions & Handicaps Report

2025 saw another busy year for competitions and competitive events at Seaton Carew Golf Club. By year-end there will have been almost 50 club competitions and a further host of competitive events such as England v Ireland match, Brancepeth matches and many others. We're never short of competitive golf at SCGC.

2025 saw us move comprehensively to fully electronic enrolling and score entering of competitions. We appreciate that not all changes are easy to adopt so we'd like to thank you for your patience.

Open Events

During 2025 we also held competitive events that brought many golfers to Seaton Carew to enjoy our top-quality links.

The Seaton Salver again attracted a high-class entry list from all across the North and further afield. It was so well supported that we may need to go to ballot entry for 2026. Those who travelled to Seaton to play in the event were most complimentary about our course and its condition. The Salver was won by SCGC's own Dominic Moon who emerged from a packed first round leader-board to claim the trophy after 36 holes. Well done, Dominic

Other notable events at SCGC in 2025 were the Northern Counties Amateur Championship, the Under 16 International match England v Spain, and the RAF Strokeplay Championship. Many thanks to those who supported these events and again, many positive comments were received regarding our course and our hospitality.

August's Festival Week proved to be as popular as ever and much enjoyed by over 1000 visitors, some of whom return year after year such is its attraction. The event continues to be a valuable source of income. Thank you to Martyn Stubbings, Roy Leonard, Alex Shaw and all volunteers for their commitment to ensuring the week

runs efficiently. Again, many positive comments were received from visitors and already 2026 Festival Week is almost fully booked. Thank you also to our members who give up their playing rights during Festival Week and to our hospitality team who provide such a warm welcome to our visitors.

Home Winners

Congratulations to all golfers who have won domestic competitions in 2025. Taking part is indeed important but there is nothing like coming out on top in one of our many competitions.

Our domestic "Majors" roll of honour for 2025:

Club Championship: Brian McEwan

Grey Trophy: Mark Williams

Centenary Trophy: Paul Coffey

Thomson Medal: Carl Mason

Lytham Trophy: Declan Barclay

Calcutta Singles: Alex Shaw

Calcutta Pairs: Connor Wilson and Matty Neill.

Well done to all.

Looking Forward

Members may notice some small changes to some of our events in 2026. Next year the main competitive season will resort to an April to end of September timetable. This will ensure all competitions are completed before the advent of the less predictable Autumn conditions and helps Tom and his team present the course in its best possible condition allowing any remedial work on the course to be started earlier. There will also be a small change to our Calcutta competitions. By shortening the early round windows, we can allow more time to play matches in the busier months that include Festival Week and summer holidays. If entering these competitions next year please be mindful of this change particularly in the early rounds.

Teamwork

So, another busy year of competitive golf at Seaton Carew Golf Club draws to a close. The successful administration and management of events could not be achieved without the efforts and commitment of our membership, the office team of Alex Shaw and Roy Leonard, our Pro Shop team and our friendly and efficient hospitality staff.

Of course, so much of our enjoyment of golf at Seaton Carew is down to the sterling work of Course Manager, Tom Coulson, and his excellent team. I know I speak for many in thanking out-going Greens Chairman Phil Cain, and Tom and his team for their work in providing us with such an enjoyable golfing experience.

Thank you.

And lastly thank you to all members for your support throughout 2025.

Happy Golfing in 2026.

Peter Bianco.

Competitions and Handicaps Chairman.