

I am often asked on my travels “what does the County do for me” so:

Background

The DCGU was founded in 1923 by 7 golf clubs who thought it would be advantageous to form a county golf union to act as a central authority for determining all questions which may arise... and to promote the welfare and interests of the game. This still stands good today as it did then with the main objective of the DCGU being the promotion of the Amateur Game and the maintenance of the traditions and rules of the game.

Therefore we work on your behalf in the following areas:

Handicaps: the Secretary is the delegated Area Authority for administering the scheme.

Course Rating: have a dedicated trained Rating team to maintain course standard scratch scores in line with the national system.

The County Web Site: maintained by the Secretary containing information for all golfers within the County.

The ‘County Card’ providing club members with the opportunity to play more than 700 courses in eighteen counties ranging from Cornwall to Kent & Nottinghamshire at a reduced green fee, tremendous value for money.

Coaching and Junior Development: golf coaching as central to developing, sustaining and increasing participation in the sport. Coaching also drives better performances and increased success.

DCGA: running the association events raising money for junior development.

County Teams: Teams at 1st, Colts Junior & Senior level compete along the South Regions both East and West. Having been County Champions in 1992 we continue to strive to once more hold the trophy.

Championships and Tournaments: The Union organise and run various championships throughout the playing season from Junior Mens and Senior Championships to having club category championships accumulating in an all expenses weekend at Woodhall Spa for the eventual winner who could be playing off 1 or 28 handicap.

County Dinner: held on the second Friday in March, an ideal opportunity to meet up with fellow golfers from around the County.

Golf Development: Your Union, with the support of national governing bodies, has set-up the Dorset County Golf Partnership (DCGP), along with the Dorset County Ladies (DCLGA) and Professionals (PGA), with a view to accessing various external funding sources to increase participation in playing golf within the County.

Whilst the above is not exhaustive I hope it helps you understand we are here for all club golfers at what ever level. For further info please visit the web site and any questions please pick up the phone and talk to the secretary.