

The Harry Colt Initiative - Adding Value to Your Membership

Clyne Golf Club, Swansea

Play Colt's traditional links, downland, parkland and classic heathland

HARRY COLT RECIPROCALs - PARTICIPATING COURSES 2010

ALL require Current CONGU Handicap Certificate as proof of membership

Golf Club and Location	Availability	FEE Per Player	BOOKING PROC- ESS
Clyne Golf Club. Swansea. SA3 5DP www.clynegolfclub.com	Weekdays: Up to 4 Colt fees per day. Weekends & BH : Up to 4 Colt fees per day. Subject to availability.	£10 wd £20 we	Via the Office 01792 401989
Ealing Golf Club. Middlesex. UB6 8TS www.ealinggolfclub.com	Weekdays only. Up to 8 Colt fees per day. Subject to availability.	£10	Via the Pro shop 0208 997 0937
Effingham Golf Club. Surrey KT24 5PZ www.effinghamgolfclub.com	Weekdays only. Up to 8 Colt fees per day. Subject to availability.	£10	Via the Pro shop 01372 452606
Fort Augustus Golf Club. Scotland PH32 4DS www.fortaugustusgc.webeden.co.uk	Weekdays only. No limits but subject to availability.	£10	Via the Office 01320 366660
Frinton Golf Club. Essex. CO13 9EP www.frintongolfclub.com	Weekdays only. Up to 8 Colt fees per day. Subject to availability.	£10	Via the Pro shop 01255 674618
Fulwell Golf Club. Middlesex. TW12 1JY www.fulwellgolfclub.co.uk	Weekdays only. Up to 8 Colt fees per day. Subject to availability.	£10	Via the Pro shop 0208 977 2733
Southfield Golf Club. Oxford. OX4 1PF www.southfieldgolf.com	Weekdays only. Up to 8 Colt fees per day. Subject to availability.	£10	Via the Pro shop 01865 244258
Sudbury Golf Club. Middlesex. HA0 1AL www.sudburygolfclubltd.co.uk	Weekdays only. Up to 8 Colt fees per day. Subject to availability.	£10	Via the Pro shop 0208 902 7910
Blackpool North Shore. Lancs. FY2 ORD www.blackpoolnorthshoregolfclub.com	Weekdays only. Up to 8 Colt fees per day. Subject to availability.	£15	Via the Office 01253 352054
Hallamshire Golf Club. Sheffield. S10 4LA www.hallamshiregolfclub.co.uk	Up to 20 Colt fees per week. Subject to availability.	£15 wd £20 we	Via the Pro shop 0114 230 5222
Robin Hood Golf Club. Solihull. B92 7DJ www.robinhoodgolfclub.co.uk	Weekdays only. Up to 8 Colt fees per day. Subject to availability.	£15	Via the Pro shop 0121 706 0061
Edgbaston Golf Club. Birmingham. B15 3TB www.edgbastongc.co.uk	Weekdays only. Up to 8 Colt fees per day. Subject to availability.	£20	Via the Pro shop 0121 454 1736
The Northamptonshire County GC. NN6 8AZ www.countygolfclub.org.uk	Weekdays only. Subject to availability.	£20	Via the Pro shop 01604 843025
Northumberland Golf Club. Newc. NE3 5HT www.thengc.co.uk	Weekdays only. Up to 8 Colt fees per day. Subject to availability.	£20	Via the Office 0191 236 2498
Moor Park. Hertfordshire. WD3 1QN www.moorparkgc.co.uk	Weekdays only. Up to 8 Colt fees per day. Subject to availability.	£28	Via the Golf Office 01923 773146
Brancepeth Castle Golf Club, DH7 8EA www.brancepeth-castle-golf.co.uk	Up to 8 Colt fees per week, Subject to availability	£17.50 wd £22 we	Via Club Office 0191 3780075

More courses being added all the time

- if you're a member of a Colt Course prompt your Committee to join the initiative

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- A special and exclusive partnership -

The legacy of Harry Shapland Colt

"Harry Colt is the true father of golf course architecture. His knowledge of the game, his vision and love of the land allowed him to create courses of great distinction that have stood the test of time as well as any in the world. His list of creations is a roll of honour."

Donald Steel , International Golf Course Architect

Although christened Henry Shapland, Colt was known throughout his life as "Harry". Born in 1869, at school he excelled in cricket, rugby and as an oarsman. He gained a place at Clare College, Cambridge to read Law and it was here that his interest and talent as a golfer developed gaining a "Blue" and becoming Captain of golf.

After being called to the Bar he practiced as a solicitor in Hastings, but his first love was, by now, golf. He was elected a member of the R & A and was twice winner of the Jubilee Vase on the Old Course at St. Andrews. His first exposure to course design came in 1894 when he assisted with the layout of a new course at Rye, subsequently becoming Honorary Secretary.

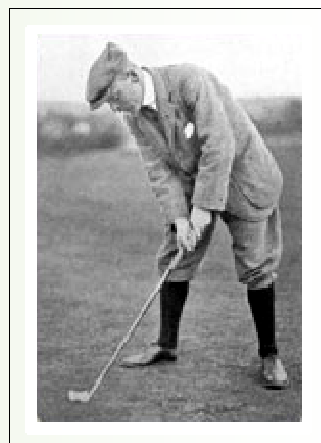
In 1899 he applied for the post of Secretary of the R & A at St Andrews. Although his application was supported by a number of eminent men including Arthur James Balfour, the then Prime Minister, and leading amateur golfer Horace Hutchinson, it was not successful. The R & A Committee were not to know it at the time but their decision did the world of golf an enormous favour!

If the R & A did not want Colt, the newly opened Sunningdale most certainly did and he was appointed Secretary in 1901. The post was initially full-time but it became part-time as he progressively became more involved in golf course design, collaborating on a number of projects with Dr Alister MacKenzie. He left Sunningdale in 1913 in order to exploit his skills as a golf course architect and never looked back. One of his greatest triumphs was the Eden course at St. Andrews, completed in 1913 and the fact that he was awarded this prestigious contract indicates the esteem in which he was held at the time.

A number of his designs were completed in the period immediately before the Great War but it was not until the early 1920's that golf course construction resumed. With the explosion in the growth of the game, Colt's services were in great demand for the next fifteen years or so, either on his own or in conjunction with his partners, C. H. Alison, J. S. F. Morrison and, briefly, MacKenzie. His output was prolific and, in addition to many British courses, Colt's influence can be seen in the U.S.A., France, Germany, Holland, Spain and Sweden. The demand for new courses fell away from the mid 1930's, coming to a complete halt at the outbreak of the Second World War. Colt's work was at an end. He died at East Hendred in Oxfordshire in 1952, aged 82.

Several "firsts" in course design are attributed to Colt:

- He was the first designer not to have been a professional golfer.
- He was the first real International designer.
- He was the first to use the drawing board consistently in planning his course designs and the first to prepare tree planting plans for his layouts.



Harry Colt's legacy is the influence his design has had on the game of golf. - *"The quality and imagination of Colt's designs have stood the test of time; the recent technological advances which have led to the present-day performance of clubs and balls have not diminished the courage nor the skill to score on his courses".*

Sir Denis Thatcher - Foreword to "Colt & Co" by Fred Hawtree

Through the Harry Colt Initiative, as a member of a Club that has a course influenced by Colt, you can now enjoy special access to some of his creations at a privileged rate. Adding value to your membership in a unique way.

We look forward to welcoming you !