



PGA SCOTLAND YEARBOOK 2023



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### PGA in Scotland Order of Merit 2022

The 2022 PGA Scotland season provided plenty of great golf over well established as well as new and exciting venues on the Tartan Tour circuit. Many of the historic pro-am events returned to the tour after being put on hold as a result of the COVID pandemic.

The Arnold Clark PGA in Scotland Tartan Tour Order of Merit boasted nine events, in which Craig Lee was the leading professional of the year. The highlights of Craig's season included winning the Deer Park Masters by a six shot margin with a total score of -15. He was also the joint winner of the Kerr Investments pro-am and the 36-Hole Challenge at Balmore Golf Club.

### Loch Lomond Whiskies' Scottish PGA Championship

The Loch Lomond Whiskies' Scottish PGA Championship returned to West Kilbride Golf Club for the first time since 1960. 91 professionals took part in the PGA in Scotland's flagship event of the year, in a week which provided glorious sunshine and stunning scenery of the Firth of Clyde.

Alastair Forsyth (Mearns Castle Golf Academy) won the Championship for the second time, with a dramatic victory against Paul O'Hara on the second play-off hole.

Alastair was -15 after four rounds at West Kilbride Golf Club, which included a 65 followed by a 66 in the first two rounds. He was 3 shots behind Paul O'Hara heading into the final round but was able to force a play-off. Pars at the 1st and 18th holes were enough to win in the extra holes and secure the trophy.





#### The Northern Open

The Northern Open was held at Portlethen Golf Club for a second year in a row. This was part of the PGA Open Series, which involved one event from each region being part of an "Open series" for all PGA members in the UK & Ireland.

Greig Hutcheon (Torphins Golf Club) won his second Northern Open Championship, with a total score of -9, winning by one stroke ahead of Cameron Marr, Chris Doak and Graeme Robertson. Greig opened with a round of -2 and trailed the overnight leader by three shots. However, a second round -7 including eight birdies was enough to win the trophy.





#### Young Professionals' Order of Merit

In the Young Professionals' scene, Graeme Robertson (Fairways Golf Studios) dominated by winning the Young Professional Championship with a four stroke lead ahead of Joe Bryce at Haddington Golf Club, helping him achieve the Young Professionals' Order of Merit title for 2022. Graeme was an incredible –17 for his four rounds, and was one of only three professionals under par in the full field.

Rob Paterson (Kilspindie Golf Club), who was the previous year's Order of Merit winner, also had a good year which included successfully defending the Sandy Pipey Masters at Royal Dornoch Golf Club with a three stroke victory.

#### **Heather MacRae Makes History**

History was made in the 2022 PGA Scotland Order of Merit, as Heather MacRae became the first female to win a PGA Scotland Order of Merit event. She won the 36-Hole Challenge at Strathmore Golf Centre with a total score of -11. This included a course record final round 62 (-9) to win by one shot!







#### **Arnold Clark Tour Championship**

The Arnold Clark Tour Championship took place at The King's course, Gleneagles, for the first time. The top ten players of the PGA Scotland Order of Merit competed in a one day pro-am as a season finale, along with various sponsor and venue hosts from the 2022 PGA Scotland season.

On a day of strong winds and rain, Paul O'Hara (North Lanarkshire Leisure) battled the elements to shoot an impressive –2 to win by one shot.

#### **Return of the Pro-Ams**

Many pro-am events returned in 2022 after being put on hold for the previous two years during COVID. During 2020 and 2021, many of the traditional aspects of a pro-am such as the social side were difficult to do under COVID restrictions.

The 2022 season boasted some fantastic multi-day pro-am events including the well established Highlands Golf Links and Aberdeen Golf Links pro-am tournaments, as well as the Old Course Hotel pro-am which was staged for the first time. The Iain Forgrieve Memorial pro-am, held at Glencruitten Golf Club, also returned for the first time since 2013, which featured DP World Tour winner and local Oban hero Robert MacIntyre.

David Longmuir, Manager of The PGA in Scotland, said "The 2022 season felt a bit more normal, following two years of unprecedented upheaval as a result of the COVID pandemic. We witnessed some exceptional golf throughout the season and we are indebted to our partners, venue hosts and sponsors for all their support. Without you, our members would not have many opportunities to compete and achieve their golfing ambitions.

The team at the PGA in Scotland will continue to work to support our members and stakeholders in everything we do. We look forward to 2023 with great anticipation".









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### **Craig Lee**

#### 2022 Order of Merit Results:

36-Hole Challenge (Dundonald)
36-Hole Challenge (Stirling)
Northern Open
36-Hole Challenge (Balmore)
36-Hole Challenge (Strathmore)
36-Hole Challenge (Murrayshall)
Deer Park Masters Pro-Am
Kerr Investments Pro-Am
Loch Lomond Whiskies' Scottish PGA Championship



#### **Other PGA Scotland Wins:**

1st = Murrayshall Pro-Am

T1 = Old Course Hotel Pro-Am

### Paul O'Hara

#### 2022 Order of Merit Results:

1st	36-Hole Challenge (Dundonald)
T3	36-Hole Challenge (Stirling)
T10	Northern Open
T1	36-Hole Challenge (Balmore)
7th	36-Hole Challenge (Strathmore)
T1	36-Hole Challenge (Murrayshall)
7th	Deer Park Masters Pro-Am
T28	Kerr Investments Pro-Am
2nd	Loch Lomond Whiskies' Scottish PGA Championship



#### **Other PGA Scotland Wins:**

T1 = Bishopbriggs Pro-Am

1st = Iain Forgrieve Memorial Pro-Am

T1 = BEN Pro-Am

T1 = Old Course Hotel Pro-Am

1st = Arnold Clark Tour Championship



### **Alastair Forsyth**

#### 2022 Order of Merit Results:

T2	36-Hole Challenge (Dundonald)
T14	36-Hole Challenge (Stirling)
T15	Northern Open
T4	36-Hole Challenge (Balmore)
T15	36-Hole Challenge (Strathmore)
DNP	36-Hole Challenge (Murrayshall)
3rd	Deer Park Masters Pro-Am
T24	Kerr Investments Pro-Am
1st	Loch Lomond Whiskies' Scottish PGA Championship



#### **Other PGA Scotland Wins:**

1st = Travelling the Fairways Pro-Am

T1 = Easter Moffat Centenary Pro-Am

### **Graeme Robertson**

#### 2022 Order of Merit Results:

9th	36-Hole Challenge (Dundonald)
5th	36-Hole Challenge (Stirling)
T2	Northern Open
DNP	36-Hole Challenge (Balmore)
T12	36-Hole Challenge (Strathmore)
T1	36-Hole Challenge (Murrayshall)
WD	Deer Park Masters Pro-Am
T5	Kerr Investments Pro-Am
4th	Loch Lomond Whiskies' Scottish PGA Championship



#### **Other PGA Scotland Wins:**

1st = Glasgow Pro-Am

1st = Young Pro Sprint (Bathgate GC)

1st = Drumpellier Pro-Am

1st = Scottish Young Pro Championship



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## **Arnold Clark PGA in Scotland Order Of Merit Winners 2022**



EVENT	GOLF COURSE	WINNER	SCORE
36-HOLE CHALLENGE	DUNDONALD LINKS	PAUL O'HARA	135 (-9)
36-HOLE CHALLENGE	STIRLING GOLF CLUB	GAVIN HAY	135 (-9)
NORTHERN OPEN	PORTLETHEN GOLF CLUB	GREIG HUTCHEON	135 (-9)
36-HOLE CHALLENGE	BALMORE GOLF CLUB	CRAIG LEE, CHRIS DOAK & PAUL O'HARA	131 (-1)
36-HOLE CHALLENGE	STRATHMORE GOLF CENTRE	HEATHER MACRAE	131 (-13)
36-HOLE CHALLENGE	MURRAYSHALL COUNTRY ESTATE	PAUL O'HARA & GRAEME ROBERTSON	133 (-11)
DEER PARK MASTERS PRO-AM	DEER PARK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB	CRAIG LEE	129 (-15)
KERR INVESTMENTS PRO-AM	DUMFRIES & GALLOWAY GOLF CLUB	GARETH WRIGHT, GARETH HARDY, GRAHAM FOX & CRAIG LEE	66 (-4)
LOCH LOMOND WHISKIES' SCOTTISH PGA CHAMPIONSHIP	WEST KILBRIDE GOLF CLUB	ALASTAIR FORSYTH	269 (-15)

### PGA in Scotland Young Professional Winners 2022



EVENT	GOLF COURSE	WINNER	SCORE
18-HOLE OOM SPRINT	BATHGATE GOLF CLUB	GRAEME ROBERTSON	65 (-6)
SCOTTISH YOUNG PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	HADDINGTON GOLF CLUB	GRAEME ROBERTSON	270 (-17)
18-HOLE OOM SPRINT	CROW WOOD GOLF CLUB	ALISTAIR MCNAUGHTON	67 (-4)
SANDY PIPEY YOUNG MASTERS	ROYAL DORNOCH GOLF CLUB	ROB PATERSON	64 (-6)

#### **PGA in Scotland Pro-Am Winners 2022**

EVENT	GOLF COURSE	WINNER	SCORE
ABERDEEN GOLF LINKS PRO-AM	ROYAL ABERDEEN, TRUMP INTERNATIONAL, CRUDEN BAY	DANIEL YOUNG	195 (-18)
GLASGOW PRO-AM	GLASGOW KILLERMONT GOLF CLUB	GRAEME ROBERTSON	66 (-4)
WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL PRO-AM	DALMUIR GOLF COURSE	GAVIN HAY	63 (-5)
BISHOPBRIGGS PRO-AM	BISHOPBRIGGS GOLF CLUB	PAUL O'HARA & IAN GRAHAM	66 (-5)
DRUMPELLIER PRO-AM	DRUMPELLIER GOLF CLUB	GRAEME ROBERTSON	65 (-6)

## PGA in Scotland Pro-Am Winners 2022



EVENT	GOLF COURSE	WINNER	SCORE
TRAVELLING THE FAIRWAYS PRO-AM	DUMBARNIE LINKS	ALASTAIR FORSYTH	130 (-12)
PORTPATRICK PRO-AM	PORTPATRICK GOLF CLUB	GREIG HUTCHEON	64 (-6)
BOTHWELL CASTLE PRO-AM	BOTHWELL CASTLE GOLF CLUB	GREG DALZIEL	64 (-6)
MURRAYSHALL PRO-AM	MURRAYSHALL COUNTRY ESTATE	CRAIG LEE	67 (-5)
THE IAIN FORGREIVE MEMORIAL PRO-AM	GLENCRUITTEN GOLF CLUB	PAUL O'HARA	121 (-3)
CAWDER PRO-AM	CAWDER GOLF CLUB	ROB PATERSON	66 (-4)
EASTER MOFFAT PRO-AM	EASTER MOFFAT GOLF CLUB	ALASTAIR FORSYTH, CHRIS CURRIE, GRAHAM FOX & STEVEN O'HARA	69 (-2)
BEN PRO-AM	DUNDONALD LINKS	GARETH WRIGHT & PAUL O'HARA	68 (-4)
TURRIFF PRO-AM	TURRIFF GOLF CLUB	STEPHEN GRAY	64 (-6)
CARNEGIE INVITATIONAL PRO-AM	CARNEGIE CLUB, SKIBO CASTLE	PAUL O'HARA	132 (-12)
SOILDERS' CHARITY PRO-AM	BRUNTSFIELD LINKS	DAVID PATRICK & JAMES MCGHEE	67 (-4)
OLD COURSE HOTEL PRO-AM	THE DUKES, KINGSBARNS, DUMBARNIE	PAUL O'HARA, GREIG HUTCHEON & CRAIG LEE	202 (-13)
HIGHLAND GOLF LINKS PRO-AM	ROYAL DORNOCH, CASTLE STUART, NAIRN	TOM HIGSON	196 (-17)
ARNOLD CLARK TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP	KING'S COURSE, GLENEAGLES	PAUL O'HARA	68 (-2)

## Arnold Clark PGA in Scotland Order Of Merit Standings 2022



1 CRAIG LEE Craig Lee Gol 2 PAUL O'HARA North Lanarkshi	f Studio 822.92
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3 ALASTAIR FORSYTH Mearns Castle Go	olf Academy 697.50
4 GRAEME ROBERTSON Fairways Golf	Studios 692.50
5 GRAHAM FOX Clydeway	Golf 631.75
6 GAVIN HAY East Renfrewship	re Golf Club 607.50
7 CHRIS DOAK Renaissance	e Club 526.55
8 CHRIS CURRIE Wilson G	Golf 505.40
9 GARETH HARDY Prestwick St Nicho	olas Golf Club 505.50
10 GREIG HUTCHEON Torphins Go	olf Club 485.00
11 GARETH WRIGHT West Linton 6	Golf Club 467.50
12 PAUL MCKECHNIE Braid Hills Go	If Range 441.55
13 CAMERON MARR Kingsfield Golf	& Leisure 38 9.30
14 ETHAN HURST Alyth Golf	Club 368.20
15 ROSS CAMERON Saltire En	ergy 367.15
16 STEPHEN GRAY Lanark Gol	f Club 366.55
17 SCOTT HENDERSON Kings Links Go	olf Centre 356.75
18 JAMES MCGHEE	346.88
19 ALAN WELSH Cathkin Braes	Golf Club 330.65
20 KEVIN DUNCAN Kings Links Go	olf Centre 321.50
21 ROB PATERSON Kilspindie Go	olf Club 298.58
22 JAMES MCKINNON Lenzie Golf	f Club 294.45
23 GRAEME MCDOUGALL Fairways Profess	ional Shops 286.38
24 SCOTT YOUNG North Berwick	Golf Club 284.60
25 JOE BRYCE Bathgate Go	olf Club 283.75



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EVENT	GOLF COURSE	DATE
36-HOLE CHALLENGE	DUNDONALD LINKS	MONDAY 10—TUESDAY 11 APRIL
36-HOLE CHALLENGE	STIRLING GOLF CLUB	WEDNESDAY 10— THURSDAY 11 MAY
36-HOLE CHALLENGE	BALMORE GOLF CLUB	WEDNESDAY 31 MAY— THURSDAY 01 JUNE
NORTHERN OPEN	MORAY GOLF CLUB	THURSDAY 08—FRIDAY 09 JUNE
36-HOLE CHALLENGE	STRATHMORE GOLF CENTRE	TUESDAY 18— WEDNESDAY 19 JULY
DEER PARK MASTERS PRO-AM	DEER PARK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB	TUESDAY 01— WEDNESDAY 02 AUGUST
KERR INVESTMENTS PRO-AM	DUMFRIES & GALLOWAY GOLF CLUB	SATURDAY 19—SUNDAY 20 AUGUST
LOCH LOMOND WHISKIES' SCOTTISH PGA CHAMPIONSHIP	SCOTSCRAIG GOLF CLUB	TUESDAY 29 AUGUST— FRIDAY 01 SEPTEMBER
36-HOLE CHALLENGE	PORTLETHEN GOLF CLUB	MONDAY 11—TUESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER
ARNOLD CLARK TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP	KING'S COURSE, GLENEAGLES	WEDNESDAY 11 OCTOBER

### **PGA in Scotland Young Professional Schedule 2023**



EVENT	GOLF COURSE	DATE
18-HOLE OOM SPRINT	QUEEN'S COURSE, GLENEAGLES	THURSDAY 04 MAY
SCOTTISH YOUNG PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	CRIEFF GOLF CLUB	MONDAY 03—WEDNESDAY 05 JULY
18-HOLE OOM SPRINT	BATHGATE GOLF CLUB	THURSDAY 17 AUGUST
18-HOLE OOM SPRINT	CROW WOOD GOLF CLUB	THURSDAY 07 SEPTEMBER
SANDY PIPEY YOUNG MASTERS	ROYAL DORNOCH GOLF CLUB	SUNDAY 24—MONDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

#### **PGA in Scotland Pro-Am Events 2023**

EVENT	GOLF COURSE	DATE
ABERDEEN GOLF LINKS PRO-AM	ROYAL ABERDEEN, TRUMP INTERNATIONAL, CRUDEN BAY	WEDNESDAY 26—FRIDAY 28 APRIL
KERR INVESTMENTS INVITATIONAL PRO-AM	DUMFRIES & GALLOWAY GOLF CLUB	MONDAY 15 MAY
DRUMPELLIER PRO-AM	DRUMPELLIER GOLF CLUB	SUNDAY 25 JUNE
TRAVELLING THE FAIRWAYS PRO-AM	ELIE LINKS & CRAIL GOLFING SOCIETY	MONDAY 26—TUESDAY 27 JUNE

## PGA in Scotland Pro-Am Events 2023



EVENT	GOLF COURSE	DATE
PORTPATRICK PRO-AM	PORTPATRICK GOLF CLUB	SATURDAY 01 JULY
TURRIFF PRO-AM	TURRIFF GOLF CLUB	FRIDAY 21 JULY
BOTHWELL CASTLE PRO-AM	BOTHWELL CASTLE GOLF CLUB	SUNDAY 23 JULY
MONTROSE PRO-AM	MONTROSE LINKS	MONDAY 31 JULY
CAWDER PRO-AM	CAWDER GOLF CLUB	FRIDAY 11 AUGUST
EASTER MOFFAT PRO-AM	EASTER MOFFAT GOLF CLUB	SATURDAY 12 AUGUST
BEN PRO-AM	DUNDONALD LINKS	TUESDAY 22 AUGUST
CARNEGIE INVITATIONAL PRO-AM	CARNEGIE CLUB	TUESDAY 05-WEDNESDAY 06 SEPTEMBER
SOUTH AYRSHIRE PRO-AM	AYR BELLEILSE GOLF COURSE	THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER
MURRAYSHALL PRO-AM	MURRAYSHALL COUNTRY ESTATE	SATURDAY 16 SEPTEMBER
OLD COURSE HOTEL PRO-AM	THE DUKES, KINGSBARNS, DUMBARNIE	WEDNESDAY 20—FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER
HIGHLAND GOLF LINKS PRO-AM	ROYAL DORNOCH, CASTLE STUART, NAIRN	MONDAY 02—WEDNESDAY 04 OCTOBER

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