



Message from our Director of Golf

As the evenings grow shorter and the cooler months roll in, we can take a moment to reflect on what has been a truly transformative year for Crondon Park. The progress made throughout 2025 has been remarkable, our five-year improvement plan is coming to life, and we're thrilled to hear so much positive feedback from members noticing the difference out on the course.

This year's restructuring of our membership model brought change, and with it, we've said farewell to a few familiar faces, some of whom have been great supporters of the club over the years. We're deeply grateful for their contribution. At the same time, it's been fantastic to welcome so many new members who have embraced Crondon Park's community spirit and joined in with our competitions.

Our course has remained busy and vibrant, and we're set to reach around 35,000 rounds of golf by the end of 2025, our ideal capacity to maintain both a great pace of play and the best possible experience for everyone.

We're also proud to announce that we've just achieved record annual golf income, a milestone that allows us to reinvest in our facilities and continue working towards our vision of making Crondon Park the premier golf destination in Essex.

A huge thank you goes out to every member for your ongoing support, enthusiasm, and belief in our journey. We're building not just a better course, but a stronger community.

Special thanks also go to Club Captain Paul Hedges, whose dedication to developing the Men's and Club competition schedules has had a real impact on participation and camaraderie — exciting times ahead under his leadership!

Thank you again for being part of Crondon Park's continued success.

David Laffar Director of Golf







Project Irrigation

After one of the driest Springs in over 70 years, Project Irrigation has never been more important for the long-term health of our course. Thanks to the tireless work of Steve and Perry from our Irrigation Team, we're making fantastic progress.

The installation of the new ring main is now complete, the backbone of the system. Fairway irrigation is already operational on holes 17 and 18, with work on hole 16 well underway.

We're on track to complete the fairway phase by mid-March 2026, after which we'll have full year-round control of moisture levels. This will allow us to maintain lush, playable fairways throughout the summer, delivering a consistently high-quality playing surface for all golfers.

As the system goes live, you'll notice us introducing new turf treatments on fairways and teeing areas, similar to those used on the greens. Machinery trials are already in progress to prepare for spring.

We'll continue to keep you updated as the project moves forward, we can't wait for you to experience the difference next season!

Robotic Mowers

Attention to detail is key to maintaining the course's pristine condition, and our Greenkeeping Team is exploring smart ways to keep Crondon Park looking its best.

Over recent weeks, we've been trialling robotic mowers capable of maintaining both fairways and rough. Tests have taken place on the 1st, 16th, and 18th fairways, as well as around the putting green, chipping area, and 1st tee.

Each mower has its own strengths, and we'll be working closely with both suppliers to create a strategy that enhances efficiency and frees up our skilled greenkeepers for more specialist tasks.



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Improving Pace of Play

To help everyone enjoy a smooth, flowing round, we've expanded our PACE technology across the course.

In addition to GPS-tracked buggies, walking players now have GPS-enabled bag tags. This system allows our Marshals to spot potential delays early and step in before they impact play, ensuring a better experience for everyone.

If you're asked to attach a tag to your bag, please know it's not a reflection of your speed! It's simply part of our data collection to understand course flow and keep all golfers moving comfortably at the same pace.

Our aim is simple, to make every round enjoyable, efficient, and relaxed.

Winter Society Packages - Available at Crondon

Looking for the perfect venue for your Society's next golf day? This Autumn and Winter, enjoy a memorable round at Crondon Park – one of the UK's Top 100 Society Venues.

- Weekday & Weekend packages available
- Prices starting from just £36pp
- Fairway Drainage Over 30 miles of primary drainage installed, keeping us open longer than most clubs in the county, even through the wettest winter months.

Whether you're planning a relaxed get together or a competitive event, our team will ensure your society day is one to remember!

Enquire today and secure your date – whatever the weather brings!

Project Bunker

Our Project Bunker renovation is almost complete!

Over the summer, all 37 bunkers have been redesigned, reshaped, drained, lined, and turfed — and now we're in the final stage of adding sand. As of now, 17 bunkers remain to be filled before they're back in play.

Our Head Greenkeeper, Stewart Rogers, and his team are hard at work, balancing this project with the demanding autumn tasks of leaf and acorn collection — a real labour of love! We appreciate your patience as they finish this major improvement that will elevate playability and aesthetics across the course.

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Christmas at Crondon

We are thrilled to invite you to our Christmas Party Night at Crondon Park on Friday 19th December 2025!

Event Details:

• Date: Friday 19th December 2025

Time: 6:30pm – 12amVenue: Baronial Hall

 Ticket Price: £79.95 per person (£25pp deposit required)

Dress Code: Smart/Casual (no ripped jeans)

Highlights of the Evening:

- Welcome Drink & Selection of Canapes on arrival
- Three course meal
- Wine during dinner
- Evening Entertainment

To secure your spot, please RSVP to <u>Hannah@crondon.com</u>

We look forward to celebrating with you and your loved ones.



