



Share your love of golf with a gift in your Will

The Golf Foundation is a children's charity that changes the lives of young people by introducing them to golf

Your legacy can help to make a lasting difference for the next generation

You can make a difference



When our charity was co-founded by Sir Henry Cotton in 1952, he understood how golf could bring out the very best in young people and improve their lives.

Sir Henry's philosophy still shapes our work

today. We provide young people with their first opportunities to play golf in schools or communities and encourage them to continue learning the game at a golf club.

Our committed team of 10 Regional Development Officers works closely with over 500 golf clubs, 800 PGA professionals, teachers and volunteers from 3,200 schools to provide opportunities for youngsters to play golf.

Every year we introduce 500,000 young people to golf and last year we helped to create more than 3,422 new junior members.

“ What would your life be like without golf? ”

We are constantly looking at how to involve more young people in golf with the aim of making the game more inclusive and accessible. For example, we fund outreach projects in areas of social deprivation and support groups that encourage youngsters with disabilities to be active.

We are a charity and we rely on the support of golfers who share our love of the game. In recent times we have received a number of donations from philanthropic golf-lovers, including legacy gifts. A gift in your Will helps us to keep making a difference and changing the lives of young people by introducing them to golf.

Leaving a gift in your Will is an important decision but it doesn't have to be complicated. We can provide information and guidance to make the process as easy as possible. Our team are available to help at any time and all conversations are held in strict confidence.

On behalf of all young golfers, thank you.

Stephen Lewis
Chairman



Leah's story - "I never dreamed of this"

Leah was introduced to golf by The Golf Foundation. Leah says: "Since learning to play I have had to develop so many skills. I am a different person; I was shy but I have become more confident by playing golf. I now help coach the younger groups. I have been asked to be the club's next junior captain, something I never dreamed would happen.

“ Golf has helped change my life for the better ”

Charles Harrison How the Golf Foundation helped Charles with his start in golf

"I was brought up in Huntingdonshire and played my early golf at St Ives Golf Club during the 1960s. During those days, the Golf Foundation ran a number of junior competitions for children within certain age groups. I won one of these events, and apart from receiving a Trophy I became eligible for some Golf Foundation funded coaching. This was enormously helpful in developing my interest and enthusiasm for the game.

The benefit I gained from my involvement with the Foundation, both in a golfing and life skill sense, was key to my decision to become a Trustee of the Foundation once I retired, and subsequently Chairman"

Tim Bebb The Golf Foundation started a life-long passion for golf

Tim Bebb was one of the first generation of children to receive golf coaching in school delivered by The Golf Foundation. The experience gave Tim his very first taste of golf and from that moment his passion for the game grew which was evident throughout his life.

Tim was a life-time member at Worplesdon GC and long-standing member of The R&A. He was an active member of the Old Wykehamist Golfing Society, played many times for Winchester in The Halford Hewitt amateur golf tournament and was a popular Secretary of the Moles Golfing Society. Tim's involvement in golf was paramount.

His passing legacy back to the game was the gift he made in his Will to the Golf Foundation, the charity from which it all began.

“As a registered charity, your legacy gift to The Golf Foundation will be exempt from Inheritance Tax”



Leave a powerful legacy

Leaving a gift in your Will to The Golf Foundation offers a chance to support young people of all abilities and from all backgrounds to enjoy the same opportunities in the game that we have all enjoyed. Leaving a gift enables us to plan for the future and commit to delivering golf to the next generation.

How to remember The Golf Foundation in your Will

After your loved ones have been provided for, please consider leaving a gift to The Golf Foundation. Every gift, no matter how large or small, could go a long way to providing more opportunities for young people to become involved in golf and helping to secure the future of the game. Here are some examples of the type of gifts you can leave to The Golf Foundation:

- A pecuniary gift is a specific sum of money;
- A residuary gift is a percentage of your estate after your loved ones have been taken care of;
- A specific gift or items of value such as stocks and shares, property or other named item.

Making your Will

A Will is one of the most important documents in your life. If this is your first Will, we recommend that you seek the advice of a solicitor to have it drafted to ensure your wishes are stated exactly as you would like and, provide advice on other important elements such as Inheritance Tax.

Making changes to an existing Will

If you have already written your Will and you wish to alter it to make a gift to The Golf Foundation, you can do so by adding a codicil. A codicil is an addition or supplement which is kept with, or attached to, your Will. Your solicitor will let you know the options available to you.

Keep in touch

Your Will is a personal matter to you but if you have left a gift to The Golf Foundation, we would love to know so that we can say thank you and keep you informed of our future projects and how our funds are being spent for the good of the game.

“ Leaving a gift in your Will is a very personal way of providing opportunity to future generations of golfers ”

What has golf given you?



Owen's Story -

10 year old Owen from Staffordshire had a difficult start in life. At the age of 3 he needed surgery for a hole in his heart and was later diagnosed with speech and learning difficulties, but this has not stopped him playing sport and developing a huge passion for golf! Owen first picked up a golf club at school but 3 years later now attends weekly coaching sessions at Onneley GC where he has made lots of friends and become a club member.

Owen's Mother Julie, believes golf has had a positive impact on her son:

'Golf has brought Owen on leaps and bounds, it has helped him physically and mentally. Walking round the course helps his fitness, and hitting a golf ball is improving his upper body strength. He has grown in confidence, improved his social skills and mixes well with other children. We are so proud of his progress.'

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Our Legacy Promise

- We understand that writing your Will is a significant decision and personal to you.
- Your family and loved ones comes first but we hope that, once you have provided for them, you will also remember The Golf Foundation.
- We won't pressure you - it's a personal matter and your decision to make in your own time. We're here to help if you need us.
- We respect your privacy - we'd love to know if you've decided to remember The Golf Foundation in your Will. We will keep any details you share with us confidential.
- We will use your gift with the greatest of care to help young people to enjoy the best possible start in golf.



Thank you for considering leaving a gift in your Will to us. Your support can play a significant part protecting the future of the sport and helping young people to enjoy their golf.

If you would like to find out more about leaving a gift in your Will, please call Vanessa Bell on 01992 449830 or email vanessa@golf-foundation.org.

All conversations are held in strict confidence.

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