

THE BERKSHIRE FAIRWAY

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'No man is an island entire of itself;
Every man is a piece of he continent,
a part of the main; Any man's death
diminishes me because I am
involved in mankind. And therefore,
never send to know for whom the
bell tolls; It tolls for thee'

From the Meditations of John Donne (1573 – 1631)

Swinging into 2025: Nomads UK's First Golf Event Hits the Mark!

Believe it or not, 2024 is now well behind us, and the new year kicked off with Nomads UK's first-ever "Nomads UK Goes Virtual" event held in Berkshire. Sixteen golfers took to the screens, playing Royal Troon while competing in three separate competitions. Here are the results.

Evening's Results

Overall Winner	Richard Bloxham	30 points
Straightest Drive	Angelo Pestana	with a mere 2 yard difference from his intended target.
Longest Drive	Tiaan Roux	272 yards
Guess your distance	Angelo Pestana	guessed 45 yards and hit it to 42 yards with a 3-yard difference. This created a playoff between Graham Carter and Angelo Pestano, who both had a single-yard difference in their first attempt.
Crying Towel	Billy Koen	
Best Playing Fourball	Richard Bloxham Russel Tomlinson Michael Gunningham Tiaan Roux	

The evening concluded with a fantastic meal at a local pub. Only in England can you play virtual golf in Berkshire on a golf course in Scotland and wrap up the evening in a historic hunting lodge once frequented by Henry VIII and Elizabeth I.

I would like to personally thank Ian Wright and, most importantly, Yasmine Cory for not only organising the event but also designing and printing the incredible scorecards and competition cards.

A big thank you to the Gloucester Nomads who made the 'trek' to join us. I'm certain the drive home was a labour of love, but your participation meant the world to us.

Lastly, events like this really take off when supported by an amazing sponsor and fellow Nomad. A heartfelt thank you to James Bryers and Bryair for sponsoring the evening, along with Daikin—you were certainly missed by all.



2025 Calendar Updates

As we shift our focus to the 2025 season, please take note of the **UPDATED** calendar, starting with our first monthly game at Winter Hill on 30 March.

Full details are provided below and will also be uploaded to the website within the next week or so.

March	30/03/25	Sunday	Winter Hill
April	06/04/25	Sunday	Bramshaw Hills
April	27/04/25	Sunday	Thames Royal Trophy Monmouthshire
May	18/05/25	Sunday	Reigate Hill
June	13/6/25	Friday	Remains a mystery
June handover club AGM needs to be here	22/06/25	Sunday	Paultons



Exciting News: Harry "Nappies" Raw is Engaged!

We've received some exciting news—Berkshire's very own Harry Raw, aka "Nappies," has popped the question! On behalf of all of us at Nomads, we wish you and the future Mrs. Raw a lifetime of happiness and all the very best!

Get Involved: Bonus Ball Lottery & Easy Fundraising Set for Success!

As many of you are now aware, we've introduced the **Bonus Ball Lottery**, which is based on the National Lottery's bonus ball draw every Saturday. For our competition, we've selected the last Saturday of every month as the draw date. There are 59 numbers available, and a few spots are still up for grabs—so don't miss out!

Each month's winner will take home 50% of the total pot, while the remaining 50% will be retained by the club to support our mission of becoming the best golf club in the UK.

How to secure your winning number

Securing the last few ball number will cost £10 per month, or if you would like to secure your number for the year, it is £110 (discount applied). Contact Dean to get involved now!!

Easy Fundraising: We currently have **33 supporters** signed up and have impressively raised **£821.61**—for free! A massive thank you to everyone who has participated so far.

If you're finding the setup process challenging, don't worry—just reach out, and we'll help you get started. It's incredibly simple and fully automated.

Once registered, you won't need to do a thing—it happens seamlessly and costs you absolutely nothing and is, and will continue to be a impactful initiative for Nomads.

Have a great week and thank you for your continued support.

Dean Gunningham
Nomads Berkshire Captain

Ian Wright
Nomads Berkshire Vice-Captain

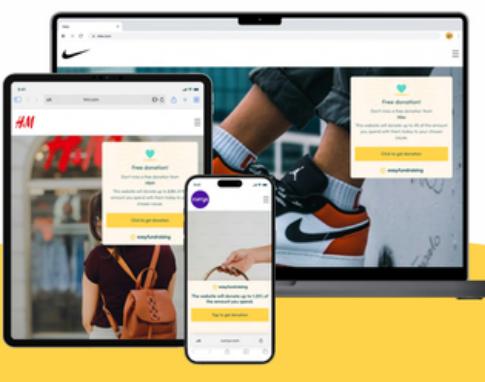


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