

# FootGolf Association of England CIC



## FGAoE Presidents Report

Good evening, everyone and welcome to the FootGolf England Annual General Meeting.

It is a privilege to stand before you tonight as President of FootGolf England and reflect on what has been another defining year for our sport.

### Celebrating Our Progress

When we look back at the past 12 months, we can be proud.

We have seen growth — not just in numbers, but in professionalism, in standards, and in ambition.

Across the country, from Club league to national competitions, participation has continued to strengthen. Our clubs have worked tirelessly to create welcoming environments where players of all abilities can compete, develop, and enjoy the game. That community spirit remains the heartbeat of FootGolf in England.

We celebrated as Brighton were the first English Club to compete overseas, a group of players that did the association proud during a brilliant weekend.

Our national tour has delivered high-quality, competitive events that continue to raise the bar in our sport. The level of play improves year after year.

We were victorious bringing home the brainstrust cup from Scotland.

A narrow defeat in the inaugural development cup saw a great effort from the team.

Facts & Figures: We hosted the biggest FootGolf event England has ever seen as 300 FootGolfers from 30+ countries came to Ashbury Golf Resort for the FIFG Masters.

The National Tour filled every main event baring one...

National Tour competition averages:

2021	37
2022	53
2023	51
2024	63
2025	91

helped by the FIFG Masters.

Club League numbers stabilised at 247, a small increase on 2024

51 brand new FootGolfers entered Club League



## International Success

We are proud to see English players representing us with distinction at events, competing across Europe and beyond. English member Ben Clarke was crowned World number 1 in 2025, a huge congratulations to him, his commitment and hard work certainly paid off.

Every England shirt worn abroad represents the work of clubs, volunteers, and families here at home. Success at that level is never accidental — it is built on strong foundations.

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## Governance & Integrity

As a governing body, our responsibility extends beyond tournaments.

This year we have continued to strengthen our governance, refine our competition structures, and improve transparency in how we operate. Our aim is simple: to ensure that FootGolf England is sustainable, accountable, and positioned for long-term growth.

We have also placed continued focus on equality, and inclusion — ensuring that our sport is open and accessible to all.

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## Supporting Clubs & Growth

Our clubs are the backbone of this organisation.

the club captains, the tireless hours spent organising the club on and off the course. you are the reason this sport thrives.

During 2026 we commit to work to provide clearer pathways for club development, better communication, and stronger support networks.

Growth must be structured. Expansion without stability benefits no one. Our goal is sustainable growth — measured, strategic, and built to last.

£12,000 was returned to our Club courses via club matches during 2025.

In the coming weeks we will welcome and announce the new “Head of Development” into the Association. Exciting times ahead



## Looking Ahead

The year ahead brings opportunity.

We will continue to:

- Strengthen our national competition framework
- Support player development pathways
- Enhance commercial partnerships
- Increase media visibility
- Expand grassroots participation

FootGolf has enormous potential. The blend of accessibility, competitiveness, and community makes it one of the most exciting emerging sports in the country.

We are proud to support our national teams as they head off around the world to compete in the white England shirt:

- May – 4-Nations Cup in Wales
- May/June – FIGG World Cup in Mexico
- September – Development Cup in Scotland

Plus, the first ever Junior World Cup, to be held in Germany in July. Congratulations to Callum Yeates & Harrison Baker on your qualification.

But potential alone achieves nothing. Progress comes from unity.

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## A Call for Unity

We are strongest when we work together — players, clubs, and the board — aligned behind a shared vision.

Differences of opinion are natural in any growing sport. What defines us is how we handle them — with professionalism, respect, and a commitment to the bigger picture.

Tonight is not just about reviewing reports or voting on motions. It is about reaffirming who we are and where we are going.



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## Gratitude

I want to extend my sincere thanks to:

- Our Board members for their dedication
- Our volunteers for their tireless work
- Our clubs for their commitment
- Our players for their passion
- And our partners and sponsors for their belief in what we are building

Without you, there is no FootGolf England.

## Closing

As President, I remain incredibly optimistic about the future of our sport.

We are no longer simply building something new — we are shaping something lasting.

Let us continue to lead with integrity, compete with pride, and grow with purpose.

Thank you for your commitment. Thank you for your belief.

And thank you for being part of the continued journey of FootGolf England.

Let's make the year ahead our strongest yet.

Thank you, Paul Boulton

