



Golf Fundraisers



Are you looking for a fun way to bring people together and raise money for the IPF?

Golf days are an inclusive and exciting sporting fundraiser with your friends and family or team mates. This guide has been designed to give you ideas and tips to help you plan your golfing event.

Choose Your Venue

With plenty of golfing facilities around, the type of venue you choose depends on the event you're running. While a classic golf day might take place on an 18 hole golf course, you can think creatively to explore crazy golf venues or even driving ranges - there's lots of options.

If you're looking to use a golf club but you're not a member, we would suggest seeing if any friends or family can help give you access to their club. Even if you have no connection to a club, many will welcome large group bookings, especially if you can play during the week. Don't be afraid to reach out to discuss with your local club, even if they can't help, they can usually suggest an alternative with their knowledge of local golf venues.

Decide The Format

There's plenty of different ways to mix up your event, get everyone involved and maximise your fundraising. Depending on where you are holding your event there are different formats which can get a large group of golfers together who may be of different ability. Our recommended format is Texas Scramble.

Texas Scramble

In Texas Scramble all members of the team (usually 3 or 4 players), tee off. After everyone has teed off, the team decides which shot is the best. Then all members of the team place their golf balls where the chosen drive ended up, with all members playing a second shot from this spot. From these second shots, again one is chosen and all play a third shot from there. This process is repeated until the ball is in the hole. Each team records one score for each hole and the team with the lowest score for the round wins.

This format is a great way to bring golfers of all abilities together as even someone who is having a bad day can join in with little fear of embarrassment or of being a burden to their teammates. If a golfer's shot goes awry and ends up in the bushes that's no problem! Just choose one of the other shots in the team to use and try again.

Another recommendation, especially if you have a large group, is to use a 'shotgun start' in which all teams tee off simultaneously from different holes. Each hole on a course will be the starting hole for one of the teams (i.e. team 1 would start from hole 1, team 2 from hole 2, etc) and each team starts play at the same time. A shotgun start allows a tournament to end at the same time it takes the slowest team to finish all 18 holes.

Want to spice things up? Try some of our fun ideas below to make the day even more memorable.

Endurance Golf

Be sponsored for playing over 12 or 24 hours, or playing 72 holes and walking 20 miles as you complete it.

Crazy Golf

Take on your local crazy golf course in fancy dress. Teams win prizes for winning/ best and worst fancy dress.

Skill Challenges

Charge an entry fee and players can play to win a small prize - closest to the mark, hit the green, longest drive.

Buy A Shot

Offer the opportunity to replay a wayward shot or double the points scored on a hole for an extra donation.

Top Tips:

Find your 'Fundraising Crew' - a group of people who can help you organise your event.



Set up a golf cart as a refreshment cart and through out your event drive to participants offering refreshments in return for extra donations.



Provide a bbq or buffet post event. This could be included in the ticket price, or an additional extra for donations.



Run a raffle with items donated from friends and family who want to support but can't be there in person.



Ask friends, family or local businesses to sponsor a hole.



Many companies run match donation schemes - ask any fundraising participants to see if their employer will match their totals.

Jane and Jemma raised £1870 through a Golf Day at their local golf course.

We run a 'Texas Scramble' golf event at our local club every year. We include an auction and a raffle and have always raised between £1-2k. Ask your wider community for raffle and auction prize donations. Get in touch with your local Premiership club and local businesses. The raffle and auction often raises as much as the event itself.'



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Make your event look extra special with IPF branded resources. Balloons, bunting, banners and more, get in touch with our friendly fundraising team at IPF@rfu.com or order online at www.rfuipf.org.uk.

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Free Golf Day Prizes!

For a limited time anyone who runs a golf fundraiser for the IPF can apply for a free set of golf day prize tins. A great memento of your day and support of the charity.

Tins are branded with the IPF logo and include golf tees, a ball marker, divot fork and a mini pencil.

To receive your free prize tins you'll need to:

- 1** Register your golf fundraiser with us online at:
<https://register.enthuse.com/ps/event/TakeOnYourOwnEvent>
- 2** Email IPF@RFU.COM



Got a Question or Need Some Help?

Our friendly fundraising team are on hand to help. Contact us via: IPF@RFU.COM.