

Mens team report March 2026

Its a very exciting time as always when the new season looms so hopefully this report can update all concerned as to where the mens teams are, what we are hoping to achieve and how.

Last season presented great highs, like our best ever finish in the Eastern Inter Counties foursomes but unfortunately some lows too including a poor 6 man turn out. Average overall league campaigns propped up by a solid team finish made for an average overall 2025 for our mens squad.

I strongly believe the squad we have has potential to improve in every area in 2026. Of course we will always be governed by availability. Whilst we are proud to see wonderful achievements from Suffolks top players, it tends to mean their schedules make it hard for them to be present for us.

It is our plan again to get the very most from the group of players in 'the bracket below' the unavailable few. The addition of Upgame for the players who we felt it would benefit the most will pay dividends. The boards support here is appreciated.

The selection committee will continue to function and this is brilliant news for me. Being able to share my selection ideas and gauge the opinions of the people who see the most is so valuable. Being able to work alongside Martin Youngs (second team captain) is also a real blessing and I think we have a partnership ready to thrive.

By the time of the AGM we will have completed our winter training programme. As I write this we have had two excellent sessions at Aldeburgh Golf Club, one of which in torrential rain where the players really did have their character tested. A test they passed! Keith Preston and I have carried out all of the coaching so far majoring on everything inside of 50 yards and some on course training. We hope Lawrence Dodd will join us for our final session.

The training has helped in many ways from sharpening up a few individuals to creating better bonds within the squad, it has also already helped us shape some idea of what the teams will look like in this early stage and I'm excited to say the team lined up for Seacroft this year is already looking good!

I'd like to thank the golfers of suffolk golf clubs for their interest and support on behalf of my players and me. Finally a thanks to the SGU board members, the players and I are all so grateful for the time, support and work you put in.