



## ALAN SCOTT

We are sad to inform you that Alan Scott died on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2026, aged 82. Alan was the Club's Golf Professional from 1980 to 2008, succeeding his father Syd and so continuing their combined 50-year association with Roehampton Club.

Alan Leslie Scott was born in 1943 in Brampton, Cumbria and attended Carlisle Grammar School.

Alan was a natural sportsman and played rugby and cricket to a high standard and annoyingly could play tennis equally well left or right handed.

With Syd being a successful tournament player and professional at Carlisle City Golf Club, golf quickly became Alan's sport and great passion. By the age of 14, he was playing off two in the adult competitions and Club Championships.

Following Syd's appointment at Roehampton Club the family moved to London when Alan was 15, and continued to improve playing and practising at both Wentworth, where he was a junior Member, and also at Roehampton.

Alan represented England in the Boys' England v Scotland Matchplay Championship and was the only player to win both his singles and foursomes. His young age deprived him of a place in the British Boys' team but in 1960, Alan was rewarded with the distinction of captaining the England Under 18 team and led them to an historic 8-0 win over Scotland.

Deciding not to turn pro at this point, Alan began working for Slazenger in 1961, eventually becoming the Golf Manager and travelled the world. He met, worked with, played and became friends with many of the greats of the game. In his last days he recounted having a putting competition with Jack Nicklaus, being given tips by Gary Player and playing a practice round with Tony Lema, the year he won the Open.

During this time, he played in as many Roehampton Club competitions as his travel schedule would allow. He won the Club Championship four times and also held the amateur course record of 64.

He decided to turn professional in 1977 and in 1980, became the Head Professional at Roehampton Club. He loved teaching and was renowned for his calm and patient approach.

Alan always enjoyed his Captain and Pro matches and remembered fondly a story where after birdying the 13th and 14th, as they walked onto the 15th tee, one of his opponents said, 'well at least that's the end of your run of 2's' ... after great drive, he rather luckily or as he thought, brilliantly holed his second shot for an albatross 2!

Alan sat on the Professional Golfers Regional Committee and was Surrey PGA Captain and hosted the Surrey Open at the Club.

After retiring from teaching, Susan, Alan's wife and Member for many years, began working with Alan, running the Pro Shop which became legendary for its warm welcome, great stock and so very popular with both Members and non members who travelled from afar to visit.

Alan was awarded Honorary membership of the Club on his retirement in 2008, and the Alan Scott Trophy annual competition began.

Alan will be remembered for his warmth and gentle demeanour, and we send Susan, Grant, Caroline, their families, and Alan's sister Joan our condolences.

There will be a private funeral service on 11<sup>th</sup> February which will be followed by a reception at Roehampton Club from 2.30pm to which Alan's Roehampton Club friends are welcome.