

Charles Millar Golf Club Walking Stick, Brass Head

Sold



REF: 28607

Height: 85 cm (33.5")

Width: 7 cm (2.8")

Depth: 1.5 cm (0.6")

Description

Golf Club Walking Stick, brass Head, Thistle brand.

A good sunday club walking cane with the handle in the shape of a golf club head made by the cleekmaker Charles Millar. The gentleman's walking stick has a brass club head handle stamped with 'Thistle Brand' cleek mark and mounted on a hickory shaft and finished with an old brass ferrule end. Charles Millar was a prolific cleekmaker from Glasgow who started in business in 1895 and primarily used a 'Thistle' cleek mark. The mark on this walking stick was in use from 1905 - 1910.

The ban on golfing on the Sabbath, Sunday, had the effect of the club makers producing walking sticks for canny golfers. They fashioned the canes with a golf club head as a handle and they became known as 'Sunday Clubs' or 'Sabbath sticks'. It is said that on the Sabbath a Sunday Club owner, when nobody was looking, could still enjoy a crafty putt or swing.