



The Arrow, Rubber Core Golf Ball
Goodyear

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REF: 30879

Diameter: 4.3 cm (1.7")

Description

Bramble Pattern Golf Ball By Goodyear.

A good example of 'The Arrow' bramble patterned rubber core golf ball. The golf ball is in good condition and is manufactured by Goodyear Tire & Rubber, Ohio, USA. The ball name 'The Arrow' in inverted lettering on a circular band on both poles of the ball with seven brambles in the center. The ball is with the classic bramble pattern, raised dimples, and is quite a rare and historical ball as it was made at the very early stages of the rubber core era.

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The rubber core ball (the ancestor of the modern ball) began its life in the late 1890's. The first mass produced rubber core ball was by Coburn Haskell of Cleveland, Ohio. The first core balls were hand wound with elastic thread with a Gutta-percha cover, moulded with the raised square mesh pattern of their predecessor. The slight irregularities in the early wound balls made them quite lively, it was not until the invention of the automatic winding machine by John Gammeter (an engineer at Goodrich) and the change of pattern from mesh to bramble that the balls became more consistent and predictable.