

## Set of Hickory Golf Clubs

Sold



REF: 27317 Height: 112 cm (44.1")

## Description

Set Of Six Playable Hickory Golf Clubs.

A good set of six hickory shafted golf clubs by Charles Parsons of East Brighton Golf Club. The set includes 2 Woods, Mid-iron, Mashie, Niblick and a Putting Cleek. The clubs are all branded 'Chas Parsons', all have new polished leather grips and have had their hickory shafts extended back to original lengths, after being cut down for a child. The irons have hyphen face markings, forged in rustless iron with three carrying the cleek mark for Charles Brand of Carnoustie. Brand began making golf clubs in the 1890's but his 'Rampant Lion' cleek mark was in use from 1910 - 1922. The final iron has the 'Anchor' cleek mark of the Stadium Golf Co. (although the heads were actually forged for them by the Gourlays).

The driver and brassie are with approximate lofts of 6° and 11°, shaft length 42 inches and 41 inches respectively. The Mid-iron is 26° with shaft 37 ½ inches long, Mashie is 35° with shaft 36 ¾ inches long & Niblick has a 48° loft and shaft length of 35 ½ inches.

Charles William Parsons was born in Hove (1884), and was the golf professional at East Brighton Golf Club from 1909 until the late 1930's.

This is a great set of playable original hickory shafted golf clubs. If you are wishing to play some hickory golf the best balls to play with are low compression balls that will give at impact, such as ladies balls or soft feel balls.

East Brighton Golf Club is steeped in tradition with many great golfing memories and experience. Past presidents include the Marquis of Abergavenny, the Earl of Chichester, Field Marshall Earl Haig and the Duke of Norfolk. If you take a trip around our Club House you will see many more familiar names on our honours boards.

Circa 1890, Mr Steyning Beard, a local landowner received a letter from a Mr Abbey with a request to rent sufficient land for a nine hole course to accommodate 20-30 players at a rental of £15 per annum. This was agreed on 12th May 1893 and the Ovingdean Golf Club was formed. The first AGM was held in October 1893.

The Club name was changed to Kemp Town Golf Club and the permitted membership increased. A new Lease was obtained and Mr Steyning Beard was asked to be a Vice President which he accepted. In 1901 it was proposed to change the name of the Club to Brighton and Kemp Town Golf Club, however Brighton and Hove Golf Club objected anticipating some confusion with this name so in June 1901 the Club became East Brighton Golf Club Limited and remains so today.

In 1905 work commenced on a Club House and it was opened in November 1905. At this time extra ground was obtained by lease and William Park and James Braid were invited to tender for a contract to design a course on 130 acres. James Braid secured the contract and the work was completed ready for opening on 23rd May 1908. The course today is more or less as it was designed by James Braid.

When Mr Steyning Beard died in 1912 the Club was asked if it wanted to purchase the land. The terms were not acceptable to the club and it was subsequently sold to Brighton Council for £30,000. The Club rented the course from the Council for a peppercorn rent of £200 rising to £400...