

## Walker Cup

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### Links Manager

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Years at Royal Liverpool: 14

Years as a Superintendent: 14

Previous Courses: Muirfield, U.K. (assistant)

Hometown: West Kirby, Mersyside, England

Education: Oatridge Agricultural College

Number of Employees: 12

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 12

### Other Key Golf Personnel

Paul Gardner, Assistant

Phil Turner, Equipment Manager

John Heggarty, Professional

Andrew Goodwin, Green Committee Chair

Simon Newland, Secretary

Nick Wainwright, President

### Course Architect

Architect (year): Robert Chambers & George Morris (1869)

Renovation Architect: Harry Colt (early 20<sup>th</sup> century) and others through the years.

Course Owner: Members

### Tournament Set-up

Par: 71

Yardage: 7,200

### Course Statistics

Acres of Fairway: 20

Acres of Rough: 70

Number of Sand Bunkers: 80

Number of Water Hazards: 1

Soil Conditions: Sand based

Water Sources: Bore hole

Drainage Conditions: None

### Turfgrass

Greens: Bentgrass/*Poa annua*/fescue  
variable heights

Tees: Fescue/ryegrass 8 mm (.314")

Fairways: Fescue 10 mm (.393")

Rough: Fescue as long as it will grow

### Additional Notes

- Royal Liverpool Golf Club is celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

- Original co-architect George Morris was the younger brother of Old Tom Morris.

- The most recent major event at Royal Liverpool was the 2014 Open Championship won by Rory McIlroy.

- The last Walker Cup match played at Royal Liverpool was 1983 (US won 13.5-10.5).