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Hutton Court Golf Club, Bleadon, Somerset. (1920s - 1950s)

The club first appeared in the early 1920s.

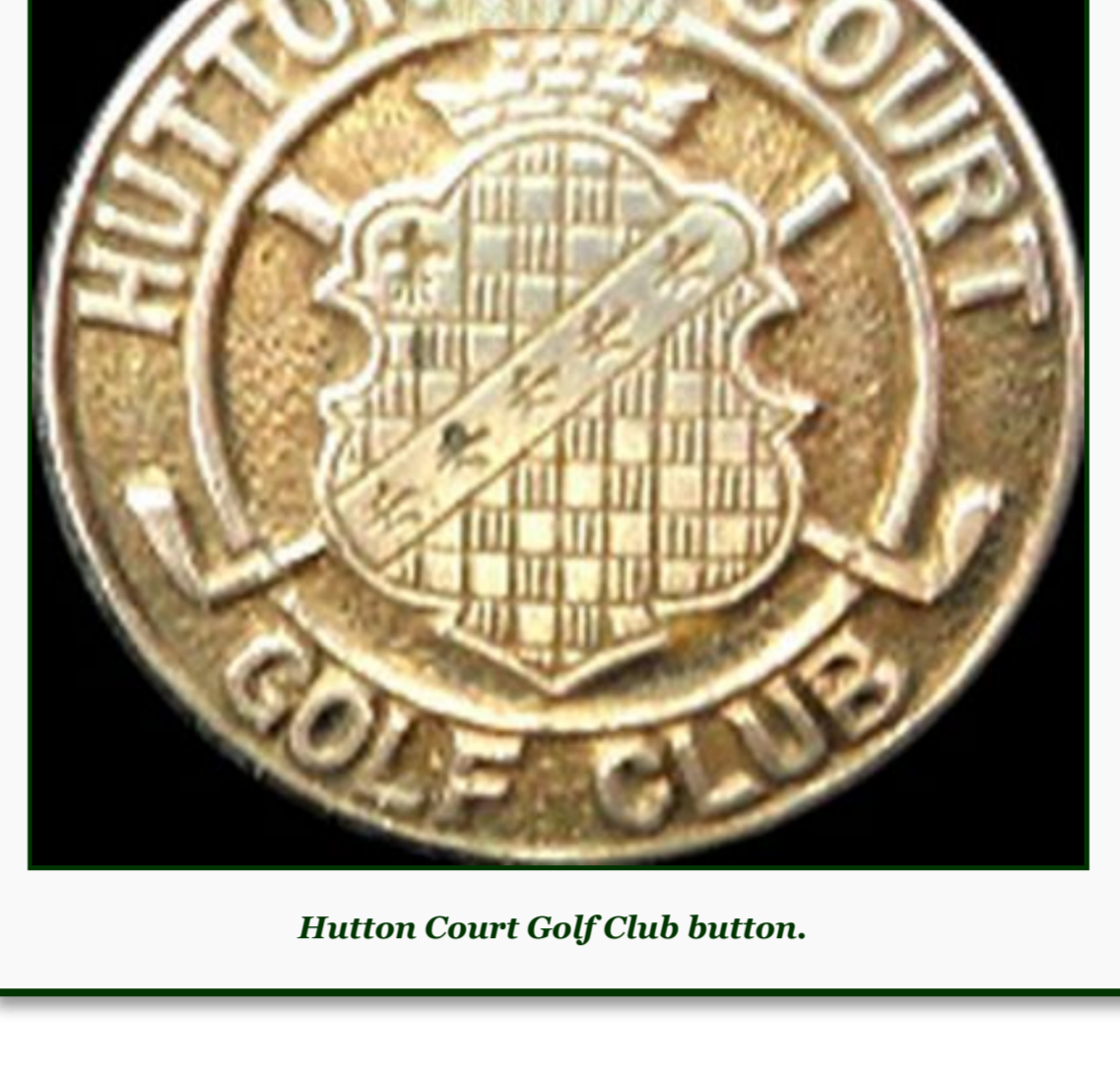


Postcard showing Hutton Court at the time of WW1.

In April 1929 a team representing Hutton Court visited Filton Golf Club, singles in the morning and four-ball in the afternoon.

Filton Golf Club	Hutton Court Golf Club		
F W Trory	0	S Hart (2&1)	1
W J Gibbs (3&2)	1	S Hart	0
W E Bracher (2&1)	1	H Simmonds	0
G S Phelps (4&3)	1	E Porter	0
R B Everett	0	H Shirley (4&3)	1
A C Vowles (halved)	0	G Franks (halved)	0
W S Humphries	0	R Wreford (1up)	1
F C Powell	0	R Fear (1up)	1
B H Greenway (halved)	0	H March (halved)	0
A W Gully (7&6)	1	W H Vennall	0
H Dearlove (1up)	1	A Atyeo	0
H A Reed	0	R Amesbury (4&3)	1
E J Griffiths (3&2)	1	C F Hodges	0
C A Deacon	0	P James (6&5)	1
A L V Davis (8&6)	1	F Foreman	0
R J Bryant	0	A Wreford (5&3)	1
E J Wright	0	J Russell (3&2)	1
	7		8

In the four-ball matches Filton won by 7 matches to 1.



Hutton Court Golf Club button.

In 1930 the secretary was W Tucker, 61 Charlton Road, Weston -Super-Mare. A 12-hole course at this time. The railway station at Bleadon was 1 mile away. Visitors' fees were 2/- a day and 7/6 a week. Sunday play was allowed.

Below is the result of a match played at Clevedon Golf Club in June 1930.

Clevedon Golf Club	Hutton Court Golf Club		
D C Ward	0	H Simmonds	1
W D Allen	0	H Shirley	1
K H Bain	0	H March	1
S F Grundy	1	C Upton	0
H W Hayter (half)	0	R Amesbury (half)	0
W J Hurn	0	K Flint	1
J H Wodington	1	R Foreman	0
H A Hackett	0	A Wreford	1
E H Hazell	1	A C March	0
	3		5

Below is the result of a club match played at Hutton against Clevedon in May 1931.

Hutton Court Golf Club	Clevedon Golf Club		
A Vardon	1	D C Ward	0
R Shirley	1	R H Atkins	0
H Marsh	0	F Marks	1
R Amesbury	0	W J Hurn	0
H Upton (Half)	0	H W Hayter (Half)	0
C F Hodges	1	H Currie	0
A C Nichols (Half)	0	E H Hazell (Half)	0
F Foreman	1	H A Hackett	0
S Whitson	0	J Hakkitt	1
	4		2

Below is the result of a match played at Hutton against Filton Golf Club in June 1931.

Hutton Court Golf Club	Filton Golf Club		
R Shirley	1	F W Trory	0
B Wreford	0	W J Gibbs	1
A Atyeo	0	H C Hull	1
R Amesbury	0	A C Vowles	1
H Upton	0	G S Phelps	1
H March	1	W F Jacobs	0
E F Peacock	0	A E Mickleburgh	1
R James	1	Harvey Burton	0
K Flint	0	S H Tripp	1
W D Payne	0	F J Tudball	1
P V S Low	0	A L V Davis	1
J G Flower	1	B H Greenway	0
A Payne (halved)	0	E J Whyte (halved)	0
A C Nichols	1	W Skelton	0
T W R Proctor	0	C Deacon	1
A Wreford	0	R Newton	1
W Webb	0	A W Clavey	1
S Whiston	1	C H H Culliford	0
J Russell	1	E J Wright	0
W Vennall	1	H V Gully	0
F Foreman	0	E Shield	1
F Cox	1	R J Rees	0
A E Philpott (halved)	0	J W R Roberts (halved)	0
B Palmer	0	L Greenway	1
W J Martin	1	H C Morgan	0
P K Pope	1	R Phelps	0
J Gillard	1	A W Eddolls	0
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The Estate up for sale by auction in May 1935



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Report a week later stating that the Estate was to be sold privately.



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From 1935 to the early 1950s the secretary was Ray Shirley, "Elborough" Windmill Hill, Hutton. Now a superb 18-hole course laid out on the Hutton and Bleadon Hills with a membership of 180. Visitors' fees were 2/6 a day. The railway station at Weston Super Mare was 3 miles away and there was also a good bus service.

Below is the result of a match played at Filton in July 1936.

Filton Golf Club	Hutton Court Golf Club		
J W Gibson and F Trory (1up)	1	R Shirley and F Blackmore	0
T H M Brown and C F Griffey (3&2)	1	R T Moore and T Prosser	0
S H Tripp and E Shield (8&7)	1	Mr James and A Brown	0
A Pickering and F J Tudball (1up)	1	P Berry and F Foreman	0
H C Morgan and T G Moore (3&1)	1	W H Oram and S Patterson	0
H G Dykes and C Deacon (3&1)	1	E H Sharpe and F Carey	0
	6		0

Below is another match against Filton played at Hutton in July 1938.

Hutton Court Golf Club	Filton Golf Club		
R Shirley and R Ford	0	F W Trory and W Simmonds	1
J Payne and E Amesbury	1	L J Benson and A Benson	0
T Bowers and J McLachlan	1	C T Gregor and T R Jenkins	0
S C Biggs and A Brown	0	T C Foweraker and A E Mickleburgh	1
H Taylor and J Stone	1	F Forber and P J M Smith	0
H Blackmore and H Rimmins	0	Dr. D B Maunsel and D W Jones	1
J Carey and E H Sharpe	1	F J Tudball and W J Hardwick	0
A E Philpot and R G Davis	1	T G Moore and R J Rees	0
	5		3

In a guide book of the time George Irlam, a respected and accomplished local golfer, described the course as follows. "One of the best in Somerset with springy turf, stretching along the top of the hills on land belonging to the Bisdee Estate. The club was owned by Ray Shirley and his sister Mrs Bailey, who were scratch golfers, in 1935 the Somerset Ladies invited the club to join their association but no reply was forthcoming. The land was requisitioned at the outbreak of WW2. Mr Shirley kept the greens in order during that time, but the course never re-opened"

Hutton Court Golf Club was still recorded in the mid 1950s, but it had probably disappeared well before this date, although it seems from the above quote that Mr Shirley was attempting to maintain the course.



Location of the Hutton Court course.
Grid reference ST35260,57885, co-ordinates 335260.157885.



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