

Scottish Golf Board

Non-Executive Director Nominees - Biographies

Alistair Gray

Alistair Gray is a leading European strategic management consultant with extensive experience in a wide range of private and public sectors including performance sport. He has over 25 years' experience leading, planning and managing high performance sport environments in the UK and other nations worldwide. Alistair is currently Senior Independent Director of Silence Therapeutics PLC, Chair of Scottish Enterprise's Pension Trustee Board and a member of the faculty at Strathclyde Business School. He has previously held the position of Chair/President of Scottish Hockey (1988-1998) and Chair of Scottish Institute of Sport (1998-2007), British Basketball (2005-2009) and British Swimming (2008-2013).

Vic Skelton

Vic Skelton is an experienced and accomplished Client Director in the field of international business process outsourcing, systems integration and information technology. Vic has a strong background in managing teams and working collaboratively with senior stakeholders. Vic is currently a member of the Glasgow Golf Union Executive, holding the position of Championship Convenor. Vic currently holds membership at Glasgow Golf Club.

Paul Lawrie

Paul Lawrie is the last Scottish golfer to win The Open Championship at Carnoustie in 1999. Paul has had a professional career spanning over 30 years, competing in over 600 European Tour events and twice representing Europe in the Ryder Cup. Paul plays a significant role in grassroots golf through his junior foundation, while also contributing to the development of Scottish professional golfers with the Tartan Pro Tour. Paul founded 5star, a sports management and events company in 2018 to support his clients to maximise their potential on and off the course. Paul has been involved with the review and development of the Scottish Golf Performance Pathway and is a current member of The Board of The European Tour.

Catriona Matthew OBE

Catriona Matthew was the first Scottish winner of the AIG Women's British Open at Royal Lytham and St Annes in 2009. Catriona has had a professional career spanning over 30 years, representing Europe in the Solheim Cup 9 times. Catriona also captained the victorious European Solheim Cup team in both 2019 and 2021. Catriona has been involved with the review and development of the Scottish Golf Performance Pathway.

Junior Vice President Nominees - Biographies

Derek Paton

Derek Paton is an experienced managing director, with a background in electronics and technology. Derek has a strong background in business development and building relationships with a variety of stakeholders. Derek is an avid golfer, having previously represented Scotland at both Men's and currently Senior Men's level. Derek is the current Irish Senior Men's Champion. Derek currently holds membership at Dunnikier Park, Lundin Links, St Andrews and Leven.