



NGCAA

NATIONAL GOLF CLUBS'
ADVISORY ASSOCIATION

Delivering Effective Legal Support

In 1922, four golf clubs got together and realised that they all faced the same legal issues and were independently seeking advice from solicitors. They decided to form an alliance and created the Golf Protection Society so that they could pool their resources and share their experiences.

Now known as the NGCAA, we are managed by a Board of Directors who are all experienced in golf club management with Alistair Smith at the helm as our CEO. Alistair is now a non-practicing solicitor with over 17 years in private practice specialising in employment law, as well as regulation and discipline within member organisations.

Having recently celebrated our Centenary, the NGCAA continues with the same values today as we did nearly 100 years ago: to provide affordable legal and personal support to our member golf clubs.



“NGCAA have been extremely helpful to the Club in dealing with some difficult matters of which we had no experience. They have advised us throughout the process that we followed and been thorough in all aspects of our dealings with them. We have also utilised some of the documents they provide to make sure we are up to date with our required paperwork.

I would consider our subscription with NGCAA as excellent value for money.”

Gareth Evans – Secretary, West Cornwall GC

We provide unlimited advice and guidance to our member golf clubs

The NGCAA provide unlimited advice and guidance on legal matters that impact upon private members and proprietary golf clubs. We can assist with any legal issues that a club may encounter, including the following:

- **Employment Law**
- **Disability/Equality**
- **Club Constitution**
- **Voting Procedures**
- **Discipline of Members**
- **CASC**
- **Social Media/Wi-Fi**
- **Neighbour Disputes**
- **Redundancy**
- **Training**
- **Licensing & Hospitality**
- **AGM Advice**
- **Articles of Association**
- **Club Rules/Byelaws**
- **Consumer Credit**
- **Data Protection**
- **PRS/PPL**
- **Property Lettings**
- **Policy Reviews**

Our Services:

The services below are fully inclusive in our subscription fee, offering you peace of mind that the NGCAA can provide your club with the support it needs:

- **A fully staffed telephone advice line**
- **Responsive email advice**
- **Document review and drafting assistance**
- **Quick turnaround times for legal advice**
- **Full access to a comprehensive online library of template documents and briefing notes**
- **Independent, non-biased and comprehensive advice**
- **Regular newsletters and updates**
- **Back up from a team of specialist lawyers**
- **Support for managers, committees and owners**
- **Opportunities for training at seminars and workshops**
- **Affordable annual fee to give you access to a full support service**

We also run a series of annual invitational events (included in our subscription fee) where members are invited to attend and meet with our legal advisers and discuss hot legal topics and share best practice with other likeminded managers.

“As Chair of our Human Resources Committee, I was very impressed and indebted to the high quality of service provided recently by the NGCAA.

I found their well-informed professional support, absolutely invaluable, enabling our organisation to proceed through a difficult investigatory and disciplinary process, with security and confidence, based upon their sympathetic and supportive, step by step advice.

I would urge all Clubs, when in similar circumstances, to take full advantage of this excellent service.”

Tony Brown – HRC Chair, Beau Desert Golf Club

How can your Club benefit?

Our member golf clubs not only have access to the personalised support offered over the telephone and by email – they also have access to a comprehensive library of templates and briefing notes which are held on our secure website. These can be downloaded and used as often as required. We also offer a facility to upload your key documentation onto our central resource so that we are better able to assist you when you need us most.

Alistair writes regular blogs which are available to view on our website, and also a monthly newsletter which is emailed to all of our members, keeping you up to date on current matters and legislation changes.

The NGCAA is a well-respected industry body and we regularly write articles in popular golfing publications.

How do we join?

Here at the NGCAA we understand the financial restraints placed on golf clubs. We do this by offering fully inclusive services at an affordable subscription fee providing you with access to all of the templates and notes on our website as well as the newsletter, blogs and personal support.

The more you use us, the greater the benefit to your club.

The NGCAA subscription is renewable on 1st October, but clubs joining part way through the year will pay a pro-rated fee for the remaining months of the subscription year.

**To join the NGCAA or for more information, please
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