

Hole By Hole

Binny Golf Club

@Oatridge Golf Course

Arthur's Seat (holes 1 & 10)

PAR 5

A downhill tee shot to a generous fairway gets the round underway. Two of the many mature specimen trees to be found on the course come into play for the second shot, so straight hitting is required to leave a clear approach shot to the slightly elevated 1st green.

Quarry (holes 2 & 11)

PAR 3

Plenty club is required on this inviting short hole all the trouble, in the shape of three bunkers, is at the front of the green.

Water Hole (holes 3 & 12)

PAR 4

Danger lurks everywhere on this driveable par 4, with bunkers, a pond with a stream running across the fairway and a centuries old oak tree guarding the two tiered green. Play safe from the tee, and favour the left side with your approach to make sure of your par.

Policy (holes 4 & 13)

PAR 4

Avoiding the fairway bunker on the right will leave an easy approach to the flattest green on the course. Greenside bunkers will make life difficult if the tee shot has strayed off line, but this is a definite birdie chance.

Road (holes 5 & 14)

PAR 4

Long hitters are often tempted to 'cut the corner' on this left to right dogleg in an attempt to drive the green, but water behind and two right bunkers mean that a tee shot favouring the left side is percentage play.

Lodge (holes 6 & 15)

PAR 4

This subtle right-to-left dogleg requires a solid tee shot to catch the down slope on the fairway. The approach shot requires plenty of club to reach the elevated green which is some 35 yards long and protected by a deep bunker and overhanging sycamore tree on the left and an out-of-bounds fence adjacent on the right.

Dog Leg (holes 7 & 16)

PAR 4

A real card wrecker! An imposing carry needs to be made to reach this wide fairway, but the danger doesn't end there. Several large oak trees guard the right hand side, and a burn 100 yards short of the green needs to be negotiated. Respite comes in the shape of a green which gathers the ball from both sides.

Oatridge (holes 8 & 17)

PAR 3

An accurate tee shot will avoid the two bunkers which eat into the right hand side of this green. A ball landing at the front of the green will benefit from the gentle slope from front to back. Par is always a bonus here.

Binny Craig (holes 9 & 18)

PAR 4

A drive favouring the left side will avoid interference from a huge chestnut tree to the right of the fairway and set up an uphill approach to another generous target. The deep bunker to the right of the green is to be avoided at all costs, so take plenty of club and aim up the left hand side from where the ball will gather on to the green.