

SIMON TOWNEND

PGA Golf Professional at Cavendish Golf Club 1997 to date

Golf Coach at Peak Practice Golf Driving Range 1999 to date

Born in Glossop, North Derbyshire, I began to play golf at the age of 9 and by the age of 15 I was playing for the Derbyshire Junior Team and completely passionate about the game.

I progressed to play for the Derbyshire men's teams before moving to London to carry out a Sports Science Degree. After finishing at University I had no hesitation in pursuing a career in golf.

I turned Professional in Guildford, Surrey before returning to the High Peak and settling in Buxton

As a Professional Golf coach I have taught a wide range of people & abilities including children, ladies, complete beginners and accomplished low handicap golfers. My past 15 years of coaching experience alongside computer technology and computer aids enables me to help beginners get started and also to improve the established golfer and their performance on the golf course.

In recent years I have taught at many of the primary and secondary schools in Buxton with the aid of Tri Golf plastic clubs for the young children and Golf Extreme clubs for the teenagers. I have found that this informal group tuition has been a catalyst in encouraging many children to take up the sport.

I have also been involved in the England Golf "Learn to Play in May" and "Get into Golf" initiatives which comprise of five one hour group lessons. These have been very popular with all ages and have been instrumental in encouraging over seventy five new golfers to start the game over the past two years