



Scared Head Golf Club, J. Youds
Jack Youds

£160



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Height: 101 cm (39.8")

Width: 8.5 cm (3.3")

Depth: 5 cm (2")

Description

Vintage Jack Youds Golf Club, Scared Head Driver.

An elegant, persimmon wood scared head (or "scare joint") driver golf club by Jack Youds of Royal Liverpool Golf Club, Hoylake. Youds was a professional and club maker at Hoylake from 1909 until 1937. The crown of the club head is embossed J. YOUTDS with a full brass sole plate, lead weight and is spliced onto a good hickory shaft with polished grip.

The measurements shown are the length of the whole club, the width of the face and depth of the head.

Approximate head size:-

a = 6½ cm

b = 3 cm

c = 5 cm

The early clubs are made with an ash or hickory shaft glued to the head by means of a splice or scare joint. This is an early method of joining the wooden head to the shaft by overlapping them diagonally and securing with glue which is then further strengthened by whipping with a pitched thread. All beautifully handmade by craftsmen of the time.

Little is known about Jack Youds, though records suggest he began his career in the 1890s as an assistant to St Andrews-born Jack (John) Morris at the Royal Liverpool Golf Club, Hoylake. Youds is believed to have spent a short period in America before returning to England in 1902, when he became the golf professional and clubmaker at Chislehurst Golf Club.

In 1909, he left Chislehurst and returned once again to Hoylake, where for a time he worked alongside Morris. During this period, the two briefly collaborated and traded under the name "Morris & Youds." Morris - a nephew of the legendary Old Tom Morris - served as professional at Royal Liverpool for the club's first sixty years. Founded in 1869, the club originally featured a twelve-hole course laid out by Robert Chambers and Morris's father, George, a former Carnoustie professional. Jack Morris died in 1929.

Youds remained at Hoylake until his retirement in 1937 and passed away two years later. He is remembered for his innovation in club design, most notably his Patent Alloy Lead Face Mallet Putter, for which he was granted British Patent No. 212 on 3 January 1908.

The Royal Liverpool Golf Club is a Links course in Merseyside, in the North West of England. Their Clubhouse is located in the small town of Hoylake, consequently the course is often referred to as Hoylake. It was founded in 1869 on what was then the racecourse of the Liverpool Hunt Club and Robert Chambers and George Morris (younger brother of Old Tom Morris) were commissioned to lay out the original course. The course was extended to 18 holes in 1871 when it also received the 'Royal' designation due to the patronage of the Duke of Connaught of the day, who was one of Queen Victoria's younger sons. Hoylake has a long and distinguished history of golfing firsts. It was originator and host to the inaugural men's amateur championship in 1885, which became The Amateur Championship. It was host to the first ever international match between Scotland and England in 1902. It hosted the first Home International matches, and the first transatlantic contest between Great Britain & Ireland and the USA in 1921, an event which became the Walker Cup the following year. In fact, it is Royal Liverpool Golf Club's contribution to the amateur game that has se...