



Golf Watercolour Painting, The Golf Links, Landudno By Warren Williams

Sold



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Height: 24.5 cm (9.6")

Width: 39 cm (15.4")

Framed Height: 48.5 cm (19.1")

Framed Width: 62.5 cm (24.6")

Description

North Wales Golf Club Watercolour, The Golf Links, Llandudno, Warren Williams.

A beautifully painted water colour of North Wales Golf Club 1894, its founder year. The watercolour is signed in the bottom right hand corner by the artist Warren Williams, who lived in Conwy & mainly painted landscapes. The scene is of two red coated golfers and a caddie on the putting green with views over Conwy Estuary in Anglesey and Snowdonia. There are people on the beach, some on the cliff walks. More red coats can be seen in the distance and there is a rowing and sailing boat on the water. The backboard inscribed 'Warren Williams (1863-1918). The Golf Links, Llandudno with Views over Conwy Estuary, with Anglesey & Snowdonia', 'North Wales Golf Club 1894'.

Warren Williams (1863-1918) Welsh landscape painter who studied art at the Liverpool School of Art, under John Finnie. Exh. at the major galleries (1901 - 1918) and elected R.Cam.A in 1906. His paintings of sporting subjects include 'The meet' & 'Over The Ditch', 'A Fisherman on the River Glaslyn near Aberglaslyn, Wales', 'A Good Catch' and 'Grouse Shooting'. Taken from 'A Dictionary of Sporting Artists 1650 - 1990, Mary Ann Wingfield.

Taken from North Wales Golf Club website;

The course was founded in 1894 by Tancred D Cummins, from Bowden in Cheshire, who was a prominent Manchester cotton businessman. He first saw the land at Christmas in 1893. At that time it was composed of sand hills and valleys running West to East formed by the prevailing Westerly winds, which still blow, as many a golfer has found to his cost. In the summer of 1894 Mr Cummins watched the Amateur Championships held at Hoylake where Mr John Ball the first Englishman to win The Open in 1890 defeated Mr More-Ferguson by one hole. Following his triumph Mr Ball visited Llandudno with the founder the following week. John Ball's association with the club is held in high regard by the members and a putter he donated to the Club is still displayed in the Club House and a competition held in his honour annually. John Ball went on to great triumphs being the youngest player ever to win the Open Championship which he did at Prestwick in 1890.

Another member of the Royal Liverpool Golf Club, Mr Harold H Hilton, Open Champion in 1892 and 1897, was an associate of Mr Cummins the founder member. Mr Hilton visited the course and gave valuable advice and suggestions on the layout of the course.

Another connection with the Royal Liverpool Course is found in the Club badge which includes the words "far and sure", which is taken from the Hoylake Club Motto. John Ball won the Amateur Championship on eight occasions and Harold H Hilton was Champion three times.

Following the completion of the course, Mr Cummins named each hole. The par 3 13th, a beautiful short hole playing directly into the prevailing wind he named "Hades". The Church Commissioners from whom he purchased the land, requested that the name be changed, as it was inappropriate to have such a name when the land had connections with the church. Mr Cummins refused the request. In order to alleviate their displeasure, he named the 18th "Paradise". These two names remain to this day. Mr Cummins ...