

Hoylake, Past Champions. Life Association Print By Michael Brown Michael Brown

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Height: 25.5 cm (10") Width: 40 cm (15.7")

Description

Michael Brown Life Association Golf Photogravure, Surviving Amateur Champions.

A golf photogravure after Michael Brown: Surviving Amateur Champions at Hoylake, from his famous series of scenes commissioned by the Life Association of Scotland for their 1907 calendar, published 1906. The golf competitors are sat in the Royal Liverpool Golf Club club house, amongst the golfers are Travis, Balfour-Melville, Ball, Maxwell, Hutchinson, Anderson, Laidlay and Hilton.

The print is in a new mount with protective cellophane, size 38 cm high, 53 cm wide.

The Life Association of Scotland was established in 1838 in Edinburgh. In the late 1800's golf courses were being established all over Scotland and the financial community set up the Insurance & Banking Golf Club on the Duddingston estate in 1895, beneath the spectacular backdrop of the extinct volcano, Arthur's Seat. To mark the opening of the extended Club House, Michael Brown was commissioned to paint a scene from an exhibition golf match at the Club. The 1899 Life Association of Scotland calendar used this image as its center piece. It was such a marketing success Brown was then commissioned to annually paint a golfing picture until 1916, prints were made of these originals and glued to the cardboard calendar that the Life Association of Scotland produced. Brown's original paintings adorned the walls of the Edinburgh head office for many years.