

Canterbury Golf Past Presidents

Since 1941, 60 people have served as President of Canterbury Golf (formerly the Christchurch Metropolitan Golf Association.) Three have held the role on two separate occasions: A.R. Blank, C.G. Penlington and C.J. Ward. Current President James Barclay (Ellesmere Golf Club) was elected President in September 2026.

Across 63 presidential terms, 23 different clubs have provided a President. Russley leads the way with eight terms, followed by Waitikiri with seven and Christchurch with five. Harewood, Rawhiti, Waimairi Beach and Kaiapoi have each held the role four times.

The Christchurch metropolitan clubs have traditionally provided the majority of Presidents, holding more than half of all terms. In recent decades, country clubs and new clubs have played a growing part, with Ellesmere (twice), Hawarden and Clearwater all providing Presidents since 2003.

Of Canterbury Golf's 36 current affiliated clubs, 22 have been represented in the role. The full list of past presidents is as follows:

Year	President	Club
1941	M.H. Godby	Christchurch
1942	H. Lightband	Avondale
1943	A.R. Blank	Waitikiri
1944	H. Throp	Kaiapoi
1945	S. Morris	Waimairi Beach
1946	C.G. Penlington	Russley
1947	R.H.T. Hamilton	Richmond Hill
1948	O.A.Y. Johnston	Christchurch
1949	E.A. Cleland	Avondale
1950	A.R. Blank	Waitikiri
1951	A.C. Fraser	Rangiora
1952	C.G. Penlington	Russley
1953	C.E. Wroth	Rawhiti
1954	R. Bruce-Smith	Kaiapoi
1955	C.J. Ward	Christchurch
1956	H.M.S. Dawson	Charteris Bay

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1957	H. Langford	Templeton
1958	W. Armstrong	Russley
1959	J.W. Dawson	Waimairi Beach
1960	C.M. Turner	Rangiora
1961	J.F. Churstain	Hagley
1962	J. O'Gorman	Waitikiri
1963	A.C. Barr	Avondale
1964	J. Casserley	Kaiapoi
1965	G.V. Williams	Rawhiti
1966	A.D. Russell	Amberley
1967	D.H. Lawrence	Harewood
1968	S.G.H. Rich	Russley
1969	C.J. Ward	Christchurch
1970	R.C. Townshend	Waimakariri Gorge
1971	G.S. McHerron	Templeton
1972	M.W. Atkinson	Waitikiri
1973	E.H.M. Richards	Hororata
1974	A.H. Brown	Windsor
1975	L. Clegg	Waimairi Beach
1976	R.A. Milne	Rangiora
1977	M.J. McNally	Coringa
1978	B.V. Glubb	Kaiapoi
1979	G.P. Walker	Harewood
1980	J.T. Gregg	Waimairi Beach
1981	D.N. Cresswell	Charteris Bay
1982	M.J.C. Robinson	Christchurch
1983	S. Murray	Scargill

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1984	T.G. Downey	Rawhiti
1985–86	A.V. Barley	Russley
1987–88	R.F. Gilbert	Ellesmere
1989–90	T. Riseley	Waitikiri
1991–92	B. Johnson	Cheviot
1993–94	T. Donovan	Coringa
1995–96	B. Watts	Templeton
1997–98	R.P. Holmes	Harewood
1999–00	W.M. Southgate	Russley
2001–02	P.D. Mott	Rawhiti
2003–04	S. Brannigan	Ellesmere
2005–06	J. Thompson	Waitikiri
2007–09	G.M. Milesi	Coringa
2010–11	G. Falloon	Waitikiri
2012–14	M.R. Walker	Hawarden
2015–17	P.J. MacDonald	Russley
2018–20	S.J. Kilpatrick	Russley
2021–23	M.P. Rondel	Harewood
2024–26	D.P.T. Kerr	Clearwater
2026–	J. Barclay	Ellesmere