



Rossendale Golf Club hole by hole explanation



| Hole | Yardage | Description |
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| 1 'The First' Par 3 Stroke 13 | White 161 Yellow 150 Red 118 | Many golfers find it a challenge to begin a round of golf with a tricky par 3, then add the potential for a strong wind from the right. Too short and the ball is held on the steep bank, too long and your shot back to the green is from trees. A check of pin position is important as the green has a severe slope right to left. |
| 2 'Cribden' Par 4 Stroke 5 | White 420 Yellow 397 Red 326 | Reachable in 2 but don't be long - not much room at the back of the green before the course boundary fence. Bunkers protect the green both left and right and can eat shots, caution there is a hidden bunker behind the one you can see on the right. |
| 3 'Musbury Tor' Par 5 Stroke 7 | White 545 Yellow 503 Red 465 | Tough par 5 often into a prevailing wind. Players need to be aware of the open ditch across the length of the fairway waiting to catch your tee shot. Tree lined fairway after the ditch guiding you into the green which is often better approached from the left as the pin can be tucked away on the right. |
| 4 'Horncliffe' Par 5 Stroke 11 | White 525 Yellow 519 Red 452 | Slight dog leg and a drive to the right of the fairway will give you clear sight to the green. A ditch across the fairway waits to collect the 2 nd shot if you are not careful. The green is protected with bunkers right and left and slopes from the back to front. |
| 5 'The Ridge' Par 3 Stroke 3 | White 202 Yellow 192 Red 150 | The 2 nd par 3 on the course and a tough one from the white tees, often into a prevailing wind which can make it much longer than the measurement given on the card. It can be reached with a medium iron but on occasions may require a driver! The green is small and needs an accurate shot if you want a par. |
| 6 'Road Hole' Par 4 Stroke 17 | White 365 Yellow 355 Red 292 | Straight forward hole so what you see is what you get. The bunker on the right cuts to the edge of the green inviting any, ever so slightly, wayward shot into the green. Again, a shot often into the prevailing wind which is the main challenge. |
| 7 'Devil's Elbow' Par 4 Stroke 1 | White 382 Yellow 365 Red 333 | A severe dog leg right down to an elevated green. A hollow on the right of the corner can gather the ball making the next shot a challenge from behind a row of trees. Big hitters can carry the hill and have an easy wedge into the green but most players will play to the corner leaving a full shot into a relatively small green. |
| 8 'Cliffhanger' Par 4 Stroke 9 | White 335 Yellow 327 Red 275 | Downhill all the way with out of bounds to the left and trees on the right, requiring the tee shot being given careful consideration. The shot to the green depends on the conditions. On cold wet days, a player may fly the ball all the way to the green far below them, whereas on dry days the strategy of landing short, letting it roll down to the green seems to work best to prevent the ball rolling off the green down a severe slope. |
| 9 'Woodside' Par 3 Stroke 15 | White 119 Yellow 112 Red 100 | The shortest hole on the course but not the easiest. With a narrow, elevated green with 3 levels which cannot be seen from the tee. Club selection is crucial to a successful par as bunkers guard the front of the green to the left and right. |
| 10 'Cockham Oak' Par 4 Stroke 10 | White 358 Yellow 353 Red 303 | A lengthy hole which is uphill all the way to the green, nestled at the base of a large mound. A long drive is called for which will still leave a long shot into the green which slopes severely from back to front. |
| 11 'Ravenshore' | White 313 Yellow 304 | A relatively straight forward short par 4 back down the hill. Players going for the green need to be aware of the large bunker which encroaches into the |



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| Par 4 Stroke 18 | Red 257 | fairway around the landing area. Hitting the fairway is crucial for this deceptive hole. |
| 12 'Tipperary' Par 5 Stroke 4 | White 482 Yellow 478 Red 430 | Long uphill dog leg to the left. Out of bounds on the left going to the corner. Tee shots need to be placed on the right side of the fairway which then shows a wide tree lined fairway to a two-tier green which needs a carefully considered approach shot. |
| 13 'The Brook' Par 3 Stroke 16 | White 155 Yellow 143 Red 111 | Rossendale's signature hole. Shot to a small green over a ravine. A shot hitting the front of the green with a gentle slope can mean a difficult second shot from the bottom of the ravine or a very awkward stance on the slope. Overshoot the green and you have a tricky shot back onto a sloping green which could see your ball back down in the ravine. |
| 14 'Old Barn' Par 4 Stroke 8 | White 369 Yellow 348 Red 325 | Another testing hole with a pond on the right looking to gather any slightly sliced tee shot. The ideal tee shot should be up the left leaving a testing approach shot into a slightly elevated green. |
| 15 'Steeple' Par 4 Stroke 2 | White 396 Yellow 345 Red 312 | A challenging fairway shot again where the pond is there to gather any tee shot which lands on the right side of the fairway. The approach shot can be anything from a 3 wood to a pitching wedge depending on the strength of the prevailing wind and ground conditions. Avoid being long with any approach shot; a difficult chip shot faces those who do. |
| 16 'Willows End' Par 5 Stroke 12 | White 539 Yellow 531 Red 461 | The last par 5 on the course and the longest with a small pond on the right-hand side of the fairway which can welcome even the straight drives which have not been thought through. An open drain welcomes the second shot and there is something to be said for playing short giving a player a full approach shot to the green. |
| 17 'Holcombe' Par 4 Stroke 6 | White 383 Yellow 378 Red 328 | Accurate tee shot required on this hole with trouble both left and right. Any prevailing wind will play a part on this hole and an open ditch with a steep face guards the last 20 yards to the green with bunkers to the right and left edges of the putting area. |
| 18 'Haworths Home' | White 263 Yellow 252 Red 199 | Although short this par 4 does not give the golfer time to relax and can ruin a winning score with out of bounds to the right and trees and mounds to the left. A solid tee shot should leave a wedge into the green but beware the green has bunkers protecting a green which has teeth wherever the pin might be placed. |