
Scott Milnes Suomen Mid Tour 2018 experience so far

After two competitions Alastaro Golf and St. Lawrence

Scott Milnes decision to get back in tour life was a great gift to Karelia Golf also. We need touring players. Let's hear, what Scott has to say about first two competitions and mid touring life in generally. You will hear more after all competitions where Scott gonna try to find birdies.

"I decided to get myself back into competitive golf again this year, and so felt that the mid-tour would be the ideal opportunity to play some top courses, meet some like-minded people and experience the old "buzz" I used to have as a youngster playing back in Scotland."

In Loimaa, Alastaro Golf 5.-6.5.2018

"I was excited to get started this year. The first competition of the year was in Alastaro golf (Loimaa) the weather was excellent, the course was in great condition for early May and I got there in plenty of time to relax, meet up with some guys for a practice round and plan how I would approach each hole. The first day was going great, a nice par to settle the nerves was followed up by a birdie 2 on the second hole, with the tee shot hitting the flag. After that the golf was fairly steady until the last 4 holes, where it started to go wrong, but I hung on and finished with a respectable 6 over par for the day. T23"

"The second day was just like I remembered from my time playing in Scotland, the winds were high, the pin positions were tight on almost every hole and the tee boxes were as far back as they could be. Needless to say, it was a battle. I was disappointed to drop down the leaderboard, but was reasonably happy with finishing T44 in my first mid tour competition."

In Lohja, St. Lawrence Golf 16.-17.6.2018

Unfortunately I was unable to attend the next competition at Tapiola Golf, but managed to make time to play at St. Lawrence (Kalkki Petteri). This time I was in a rush, didn't get any time to practice, had never played the course before and inevitably played terrible, but the people I have met have been great. Some of the golf played is just excellent and playing with these guys has only encouraged me to play more.

Mid touring in generally

The mid tour itself is very well organised and on some occasions deals have been made with hotels and other accommodations to give competitors a cheaper deal if they want to stay closer to the course. The only negative experience for me playing on the mid tour is the travelling...ALL of the competitions are In or around the Helsinki / Turku area, meaning things can get quite expensive if you are playing alone like I have been. Fuel costs plus accommodation costs can mean paying 200 - 300€ for a single weekend. Luckily I have a very understanding wife :D

Now it's time to practice hard for the SM lyöntipeli at Talma Golf in mid July! You will hear more after that

Friendly and always birdies on minds

Scott and Saha

For my opinion in Loimaa should have been harder flagsticks. Then it could have been HIO ☺

