

Rafael Sundblom (1890-1958)  
The first modern golf course architect in the  
Nordic Countries



Born on Åland (islands between Sweden and Finland) and moved to Stockholm in the 1920s

Started to play golf in Stockholms GC, 18 holes outside city centre.

Was the key figure in the creation of Kevinge in 1932, a new site for Stockholms GC (involved several architects such as Colt&Morrison, von Limburger)

His masterpiece Halmstad GC – Tylösand 1935 to 1938. (hosted the Solheim Cup in 2007)

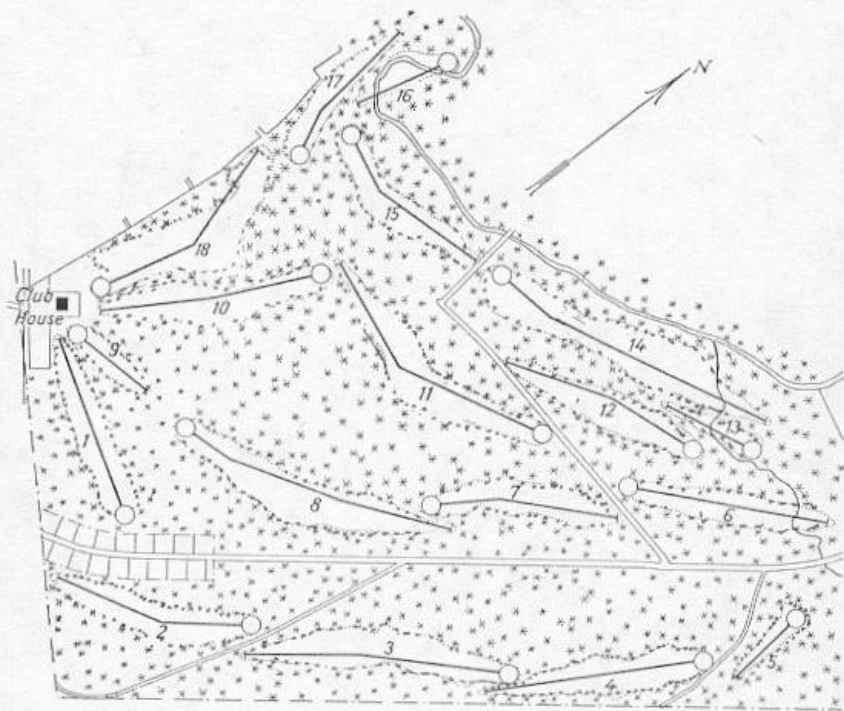
Involved in over 30 golf projects throughout his career.



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# HALMSTAD GOLFKLUBBS BANA VID TYLÖSAND



Hälens längd i meter och SSS.

	Champtee	Klubb	Dam	SSS		Champtee	Klubb	Dam	SSS	
1		325		4	10		390		5	
2	340	320	300	4	11	455	425	380	5	
3	450	420	395	5	12	350	315	290	4	
4	350	325	300	4	13		150	120	3	
5		145	125	3	14	525	490	470	5	
6	345	325	305	4	15		300	275	4	
7	325	295	275	4	16		160	145	3	
8	485	415	385	5	17		250	230	4	
9		145	125	3	18		340	300	4	
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	2 910	2 715	2 535	36		2 950	2 820	2 605	37	
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Total längd	5 860	5 535	5 140	73						



# DESIGN PHILOSOPHY

- ” A golf course must be pleasing for the eye and adventurous and rich of chances”.
- ” Variation is the key word”.
- ” Strong defence of the greens”.
- ” Most matches are decided after the 15th hole. Therefore the last three holes should be challenging and quite difficult. The last hole should provide possibilities for a dramatic finale”.