

PING EUROPE SUPPORTS GAINSBOROUGH HOUSE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Ping Europe, the Solheim family owned, long-time Gainsborough based golf company has through its 2008 Ping Charity Golf Day donated £8,000 to Gainsborough House Community Centre.

On Saturday 6th September 200 hundred golfers played on both courses at Gainsborough Golf Club in the 11th annual Ping Charity event which concluded with an evening dinner, auction and entertainment. In total, £16,000 was raised, of which £8,000 was donated to Gainsborough House Community Centre and £8,000 to Beckett School.

In recognition of this year's donation and Ping's commitment to support Gainsborough House Community Centre in the years to come, a celebratory luncheon was held on Wednesday 5 November 2008. The lunch was hosted by the Age Concern Wednesday Club.

Club members, civic leaders, Gainsborough House Board members and representatives from Ping and Gainsborough Golf Club were present.

The highlight of the event was for Mr John Clark, Managing Director of Ping Europe to unveil a plaque naming the Main Hall and adjacent lounge as "The Ping Hall" at Gainsborough House.

Paul Howitt-Cowan, Chairman of Gainsborough House said "We are so pleased to be adopted and supported by Ping Europe. Like everyone at present, our on-costs and utility bills are soaring. The monies donated will be allocated to the general fund budget. We are all delighted to acknowledge the generosity of Ping Europe by naming our main hall after such an internationally established sporting business which chooses to support its local community voluntary services."