

A good day at DCS MIDLANDS GOLF DAY

Pankaj Wara (Warren) of Coleshill Aluminium reports on the DCS Midlands Golf Day, held at Barlaston Golf Club on Friday 16th May 2026.

I left my home in the morning and was greeted by a downpour of rain, there was no evidence of knowing if the rain was going to stop, so I continued my journey to Barlaston and as I got closer the clouds had shifted and a clear blue sky appeared, phew!

All the morning players arrived on time to enjoy their breakfast prior to teeing off for the Texas Competition. The course was in excellent condition.

Lunch was enjoyed with the afternoon players eager to tee off for the main event.

About four hours later, the players appeared on the horizon, walking towards the 19th hole where Stephen Gill was eagerly waiting to score everybody's cards for both events in readiness for the prize giving.



Winner John Tunstall (centre) with event sponsor Mike Dines (left) and DCS president Steve Wood (right)

Dinner was a delicious three-course meal prepared by the venue's chef Steve and his team and we thank them all. After dinner, the prizes were presented by Steve Wood, DCS president and Mike Dines of sponsoring company Tandom Metallurgical Group.

The Diecasting Society thanks Barlaston Golf Club and their staff for providing an excellent golf course and some fine catering. At the club a big thanks to Jim Pickershill and the ladies in admin, including our own Annie Gough, who did a sterling job in putting everything together at such short notice.

May I also thank John Paterson who had organised this event for many years but had to step down for personal reasons. We also thank Simon Olive for his support of this event over the years.

The winner of the main event was Martin Jones (non-member) with 35 points followed by John Tunstall with 34 points, the cup can only be won by a member, so it was John Tunstall who received the silverware.

RESULTS

Nearest the Pin – Adrian Brown.

Longest Drive – Stephen Gill.

MORNING EVENT – 9-hole Texas

First place – Tony Barlow and Olivier Dreslin, with 33.3 points. Second Place – Adrian Brown's Sourcing 4 Success team, with 31.75 points.

AFTERNOON EVENT – 18-hole Stableford

First – Martin Jones, 35 points (non-member). Second – John Tunstall, 34 points (DCS member and trophy winner). Third – Simon Jones, 32 points. Fourth – Dan Carter, 31 points. Fifth – Oliver Dreslin, 29 points.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSOR

Everyone at the DCS is grateful to Mike Dines and Tandom Metallurgical Group Ltd for their continued support of this event.

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DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The 2027 DCS Midlands Golf Day will be on Friday 14th May at Barlaston Golf Club.

Diecasting Society visit to BCAST – Brunel Centre for Advanced Solidification Technology

Diecasting Society members had the privilege of visiting the Brunel Centre for Advanced Solidification Technology (BCAST), based at Brunel University of London in Uxbridge, on 9th June.

Those taking part were given access to the work being undertaken at this very advanced facility on a range of projects, including some close to DCS members' hearts – such as work on recycled materials. BCAST is keen to work with our industry and representatives from the organisation have access to information on the grants available to facilitate this.

BCAST has a unique range of facilities to carry out metallurgical research across the full range of technology readiness levels, from atomic level fundamental research to alloy and technology developments and on through to industrial applications.

Casting and metal processing is fully supported by a comprehensive array of materials characterisation techniques.

The visit included a tour of the facilities, open and private discussions with the BCAST academics to explore working options and lunch. Attendees left armed with lots of information on how they and their companies can get involved with the BCAST projects to shape what is needed for our industry.



Diecasting Society visit to AEROSPACE BRISTOL AND CONCORDE TOUR Thursday 15th October 2026

A reminder that The Diecasting Society is organising a visit to Aerospace Bristol in October, which will include a presentation about Concorde and a tour of the last Concorde to fly.

Participants will be able to visit the Concorde Hangar and then step aboard Concorde Alpha Foxtrot – the last of the iconic supersonic passenger jets to be built and the last to fly.

There will be a projection show of three short films displayed onto the side of the aircraft, telling its remarkable history before attendees are able to step aboard. There is also an exhibition gallery showcasing a fascinating collection of memorabilia, including a pilot's uniform, model and a flight deck.

Capable of crossing the Atlantic in under three hours, Concorde cruised at over twice the speed of sound and reached an altitude of 60,000ft. Her passengers would marvel at the curvature of the Earth and look up at a blue-black sky, as they travelled at 1,320mph and sipped Champagne on the edge of space.

In addition, attendees will be able to experience aviation history and view the hundreds of exhibits in the Aerospace Galleries.

Aerospace Bristol charts one hundred years of aviation history, with a range of aircraft and memorabilia on display. Visitors can journey through

aviation history, starting in the early 1900s, through two world wars, through the drama and technological advances of the space race and on to the modern day, to discover the latest technologies of today's aerospace industry.

The visit will be held on Thursday 15th October 2026, commencing at 10.30am.

Address: Aerospace Bristol, Hayes Way, Patchway, Bristol BS34 5BZ, United Kingdom.

Tickets are £24.00 + VAT.

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Join the Diecasting Society

Membership is open to both individuals and companies who have an interest in the manufacture of die cast metal products. That interest might be as a foundry or a supplier to a foundry.

Each member receives the *Diecasting Society Newsletter*, and reduced rate attendance at all the Society events, both technical and social. Annual membership is £45.00 for an individual member and £235.00 for companies (which includes four reduced rate places for named employees at the company). The cost for a student or trainee is just £8.50.

To start enjoying the benefits of membership

email: annie@icme.org.uk or visit www.dcsoc.org.uk

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2026

The following events are planned for this year.

Friday 11th September 2026

DCS National Golf Day

Moor Hall Golf Club, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands

This event is sponsored by Coleshill Aluminium

Wednesday 15th October 2026

Concorde guided tour at Bristol Aerospace

Ticket price: £24.00 + VAT

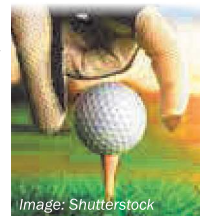
For more details and updates on events, contact Ann Gough, email: annie@icme.org.uk or visit: www.dcs.org.uk

Diecasting Society NATIONAL GOLF DAY 2026

Friday 11th September 2026

**Moor Hall Golf Club, Sutton Coldfield,
West Midlands**

Get ready to tee off in this fiercely fought competition. Diecasting Society members and their guests will once again compete throughout the day for a series of prizes, along with personal pride on what has been described as an "enjoyable and challenging" course at Moor Hall Golf Club.



Golfers will compete for the longest drive, nearest the pin, an 11-hole morning event and an 18-hole Stableford competition in the afternoon.

This is a fun social and sporting event, with plenty of opportunity to discuss business, or simply soak up the atmosphere. We encourage you to book places quickly to avoid disappointment.

The Diecasting Society thanks Coleshill Aluminium for sponsoring the National Golf Day.

For more details contact Ann Gough for a booking form, Tel: +44 (0) 7908 190519, email: annie@icme.org.uk