

HERTFORDSHIRE GOLF



JUNIOR LEAGUE 2023

1. The 2023 Hertfordshire Golf Junior League will consist of 16 Clubs, drawn in 4 x pools of 4 Clubs.
2. Following the Survey Monkey results, the pool draw for 2023 will, as much as possible, be conducted with your preferred travel choices in mind.
3. Players can be Home or Away members for handicapping purposes but can only represent one club during a season.
4. A team will consist of 7 players however a match can take place with 6 players but the team missing a player will forfeit a singles match.
5. 3 players from each side will contest three x 18-hole matchplay games and 4 players will contest two x 18-hole Greensome matchplay games.
6. Players selected to play in the singles matches must have a HI below 16.4 for boys and 18.4 for girls, (it is permissible to select a player whose HI is higher than the permitted level, but they must play off 16.4/18.4 HI in the match).
Players selected to play in the Greensomes matches should have a HI no higher than 30.4 (boy or girl). As per the Survey, these reductions from 2022 are to negate the Playing Handicap (PH) becoming too high.
7. Matches will be played from the white tees (boys) and red tees (girls).
8. Participants in the singles games will play in HI order (from lowest to highest) verses the opposing team, using the standard singles matchplay format and shots will be given by the player with the lower course handicap.
9. Mixed matches must adjust for 'par' equalising shots between the tees after having worked out the shots given or received from the player with the lowest Handicap Index in the pair and play using the **red stroke Indices**.
10. The fourth and fifth pairings will play Greensomes matchplay in lowest combined HI order versus the equivalent players from the opposing side.
11. Please find attached a Greensomes matchplay calculator, simply click on the appropriate work sheet tab, in this case 'Foursomes/Greensomes' and adjust the format box to 'Greensomes Matchplay' then fill in the details of HI and Course Rating.
12. Each match will be awarded 2 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a loss. Therefore, a team winning all 5 games in a match will accumulate the maximum of 10 points.
13. In the event of a match being disrupted by bad weather, games that have completed 9 holes will return the score after the 9th hole is completed. If no games have reached the ninth hole the match will be abandoned and if possible re-scheduled.
14. Post-match refreshments will be offered to both teams by the home team hosts.
15. Pool matches should be completed and results returned by no later than Monday 28th August 2023 to allow semi-final matches to be played by 1st October.
16. The Clubs that have accumulated the most points in each of the four pools will play home and away semi-final matches in the order of: Highest v Lowest and Second Highest v Third Highest. The two winning teams will play for the Ver Shield and the two losing teams will play for the Ver Plate on Finals Day at a neutral venue. The semi-final matches must be played to completion and results returned no later than Monday 2nd October 2023. Finals Day is expected to be on Sunday 15th October 2023, venue tbc.

17. In the event of the home and away semi-final matches, or finals day matches ending in a draw, a player in the team will be selected to play a sudden death play-off using standard league rules.
18. The cost of entry for 2023 will be £85 per club. Each of the seven players in the team taking part on finals day will receive a glass memento and if required, extra trophies can be ordered from Five Star Trophies. ross@fivestartrophies.co.uk

Hertfordshire Golf will invoice clubs participating in the 2023 League in March 2023.

Junior Organisers Names and Contact details below. Please notify me by email of any changes admin@hertfordshiregolf.org

2023 POOL DRAW

<u>POOL 1</u>	<u>POOL 2</u>	<u>POOL 3</u>	<u>POOL 4</u>
East Herts	Verulam	Knebworth	Moor Park
Essendon	Harpenden	Cainhoe Wood	Porters Park
Letchworth	Enfield	Bishop's Stortford	Sandy Lodge
Old Fold Manor			