

HERTFORDSHIRE GOLF

JUNIOR PLAYER PATHWAY

A guide for Hertfordshire’s Junior Golfers.

This document sets out the structure of county junior golf within Hertfordshire and provides information on the opportunities for young golfers aspiring to play county level golf and beyond.

This is a comprehensive list of all county run events, matches, regional and national competitions for juniors of all ages. Relevant policy documents referred to in this compendium of junior activities are published on the Hertfordshire Golf website together with news items, a full fixture list, match results and individual match-play statistics, plus historical winners of all county events, and much more.

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1. HERTFORDSHIRE GOLF LIMITED

Hertfordshire Golf Limited (HG) became responsible for the administration of amateur golf throughout the county in 2018 with the merger of the previous administrations known as the Herts Golf Union (HGU) and the Herts County Ladies Golf Association (HCLGA). HG is responsible for organising and running golf championship tournaments and matches for men, women, girls and boys. It liaises with affiliated clubs on all golfing matters and oversees handicap responsibility on behalf of England Golf, the governing body for Amateur Golf in England. HG runs the County Scratch Leagues and numerous competitions for county and club members including the ‘Order of Merit’ tables.

Hertfordshire Golf provides information and feedback to England Golf on promising players who display consideration for selection at regional and national level and representative honours.

It liaises with affiliated clubs, and other counties, and is represented at England Golf and the South Eastern Region in which there are ten counties for Men and Boys and the Eastern Region, for Women and Girls, in which there are seven counties by elected Members. It oversees all golfing matters relating to clubs affiliated to the county and their members.

Through its appointed County Secretary, elected Board of Directors and appointed Officers, it provides a dedicated trained team with responsibility for rating courses for Slope, expertise on the Rules of Golf, including training courses; it delegates to affiliated clubs the responsibility for the application of the World Handicapping System and assists with handicapping rules, including responsibility for any general play adjustments. In addition, it supports the National Passport scheme which offers preferential green fee rates for all affiliated Hertfordshire club members at participating courses throughout the country.

It assists clubs with help and guidance setting up and running their junior sections, together with recommendations on how best to organise and support junior golfers and ways of integrating them into the club.

Since the merger of England Golf (EG) and the English Women's Golf Association (EWGA) in 2012, Men's and Women's Amateur Golf has been administered by [England Golf](#)

2. CHAMPIONSHIPS & TOURNAMENTS

Hertfordshire Golf organises several championships and tournaments open to junior golfers. These include: -

Boys County Championship - 36-hole stroke play event for under 18-year-olds with a Handicap Index (HI) entry level of 12.4 or lower, played during the school summer holiday period starting at the end of July. The Boys Championship scratch winner qualifies to represent Hertfordshire at the England Golf Boys Champion of Champions event played in September at Woodhall Spa on the world renown Hotchkin Course.

Round one of the Boys County Championship is a qualifying round for [The Telegraph Junior Golf Championship](#).

Boys U16's Championship - 18-hole stroke play event for under 16-year olds with a HI limit of 28.4 or lower played in the autumn half term. The overall scratch winner receives the E.G. Jones Cup. In addition, there are prizes for gross age group winners at U16 (Duke Cup), U15 (James Cup), and U14 (Harkett Cup). The best nett score in each age group also receives a memento prize.

Boys U14's Championship - 18-hole stroke play event introduced in 2015 for Boys under the age of 14. Played in August with gross and nett age group prizes at U14's, U13's and U12's. HI limit 28.4 and below.

Hertfordshire Salver – sponsored by the Society of Hertfordshire Captains. An 18-hole scratch championship stroke play event for entrants with a handicap index of 5.4 or below. This is a qualifying event for those who wish to enter the County Championships but do not have exemption or who automatic qualification by handicap. The 16 lowest scoring competitors qualify for the Men's County Championship.

Men's County Championship – played over 3 days usually at end of May, commencing with a 36-hole stroke play qualifying event. The 16 competitors with the lowest gross score qualify for the match play knock-out rounds played over the weekend. The winner of the Men's Championship qualifies to represent Hertfordshire in the England Golf Champion of Champions event played later in the year at Woodhall Spa on the Hotchkin Course.

Under 18 boys may enter the above provided they meet the conditions of entry, additionally, boys may also be eligible to represent their club in other county events such as Men's Champion Club, Men's Inter-Club Foursomes, Members' Cup, etc. They may also play for their club in county scratch league matches.

Girls County Championship - 18-hole stroke play event for under 18-year-olds with a HI entry level of 24.4 or lower played during the school summer holiday period starting at the end of July. The Girls Championship scratch winner qualifies to represent Hertfordshire at the England Golf Girls Champion of Champions event played in September at Woodhall Spa on the Bracken Course.

The Girls County Championship is a qualifying round for [The Telegraph Junior Golf Championship](#).

Girls Spring & Autumn Meeting - 18-hole individual stableford events. Competitors must be under the age of 18 as of 1st of January in the year of the event with a maximum HI of 36.4

The player returning the highest stableford points score will win the 'Spring' or 'Autumn' Cup respectively.

At the Autumn meeting the competitor returning the highest 'gross' stableford points will win the Barbara Quirk Shield. The Cunningham Salver will be awarded to the player who returns the best aggregated 'gross' stableford points from both the Spring & Autumn meetings. The Handicap Salver will be awarded to the player who returns the best aggregated 'nett' stableford points at both the Spring & Autumn meetings.

Women's County Championship – played over 3 days usually at end of May, commences with a 36-hole stroke play qualifying event. The 16 lowest scoring competitors qualify for the match play knock-out rounds played over the weekend. Competitors must hold a competition Handicap Index no higher than 12.4 on the day their entry is submitted.

The player with the lowest gross score from the 36-hole qualifying competition will receive the Scratch Aggregate Cup. The player with the best nett score from the 36-hole qualifying competition will receive the Anne Pyke Trophy. The three players with the lowest Handicap Indices entered from the same club will be designated as the Club Team for the Women's Team Championship, subject to eligibility. The Women's Champion qualifies to represent Hertfordshire in the England Golf Champion of Champions event played later in the year at Woodhall Spa over the Bracken Course.

Under 18 girls may enter the above provided they meet the conditions of entry, additionally girls may also be eligible to represent their club in other county events and interclub scratch league matches.

Qualifications & Conditions of Entry - All championship & tournament entry conditions & forms, are circulated via email to our affiliated clubs and can be found on the [Hertfordshire Golf website](#). Club entries for HG events must be submitted by a player's affiliated home club but if the event is an Open or 'individual entry' a player can enter via the [website entry page](#). Competitors must comply with any handicap restriction and all entry conditions. Failure to do so could result in disqualification from future events.

3. JUNIOR ORDER OF MERIT (JOOM)

Hertfordshire Golf co-ordinates the diary of county events and fixtures, including Junior Opens held by affiliated clubs who, by registering their event with the county office, receive endorsement as a "Junior Order of Merit Qualifier". Players who finish in the top 25 of a 36-hole open, or in the top 20 of an 18-hole open, and in the top 40 of their respective County Championships, are awarded order of merit points. Over the season these points accumulate on the Order of Merit tables, published on the [county web site junior tab](#). Players may enter as many opens as they wish and the Order of Merit Winners are determined by the points awarded from their 6-best combined finishing positions, plus points awarded in the relevant County tournaments. The winners will receive a trophy presented at the HG Volunteers dinner at the end of the year.

The Junior Order of Merit helps promote junior opens hosted by clubs within the county, giving players the opportunity to broaden their golfing experience by playing different courses. It reveals to the county selectors those players who are keen to progress and expand their golfing experience playing away courses and keeps track of their performances throughout the season.

4. MIXED EVENTS

Family Cup – An 18-hole four ball better ball stableford tournament played by two 'family' members, one must be an adult over 18 and the other must be Under 18 on 1st of January of the year played. Handicap Index limit for each player is 34.6 and they do not have to be members of the same club but must both be members of a club in Hertfordshire.

Junior Champion Club Tournament – An 18-hole Stableford event using full handicap with a 'club' team of 3 players consisting of boys, girls or mixed, with the best 2 scores to count. Handicap limit is 28.4 for boys and 36.4 for girls. Players may only represent their HOME club. The winning team represents the county in the England Golf National Final played later in the year alternating annually between the Bracken Course at Woodhall Spa and Frilford Heath, Oxfordshire. HG offer £500 towards the team's accommodation expenses.

5. JUNIOR OPENS

Junior Opens - Offer young aspiring golfers the opportunity to broaden their playing experience on a variety of the county's best courses, played under competition rules. The Junior Order Of Merit has increased the interest for junior golfers to play in these events where their performances are recorded and points awarded for place finish. It has increased the appeal for clubs to organise junior opens demonstrated by the fact that there are over 20 Hertfordshire clubs holding an annual Junior Open. Most are 18-hole stroke play events with a handful of 36-hole competitions. A few clubs have a handicap entry restriction; several clubs include prizes for age group categories, handicap prizes or separate prizes for girls.

To achieve consistency and assist their smooth operation Hertfordshire Golf issue guidelines for these competitions otherwise, it has no jurisdiction over their administration, but can offer help if required. Clubs can also register their open as a [Telegraph Junior Golf Championship](#) qualifier giving the opportunity for the winner to qualify for the final in an appealing destination.

6. HERTFORDSHIRE SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hertfordshire Golf supports the English Schools Golf Association and since 2018 administers and runs county schools' golf tournaments. The annual Schools Scratch Championship 'Rose Bowl' is an 18-hole medal event played on a school day in late March. Players must have a HI of 12.4 or below for boys and 18.4 or below for girls. Entry forms are sent to schools but players can enter and pay for both the Rose Bowl and the Mid-Handicap events individually on the [HG website](#) however, teachers and school details must be returned on an entry form as communication will only be made via the relevant teacher which in turn confirms permission to be out of school for the event. The Mid-Handicap competition is held in April for players with a HI over 12.5 and 18.5 respectively. In addition, with entry available only via the school, HG organise a Team Championship in October. The winning school are expected to represent Hertfordshire in the finals at Woodhall Spa the following July and HG offer £500 towards team accommodation expenses.

Hertfordshire Schools select players to compete in the South East Schools Championship where a qualifying performance leads to competing in the National Schools Championship. They also select a team to play in the U16's National Schools Championship. England Schools select players to represent them in matches against teams from Scotland and Wales.

7. BOYS JUNIOR CHALLENGE TROPHY

The trophy is presented at the Volunteers Dinner to the U18 boy who has the lowest gross score average taken from his best 8 scores from a possible 16 rounds made up from the following: -

- a) Boys County Championship – 2 rounds
- b) Men's County Championship 36-hole qualifying - 2 rounds
- c) Peter McEvoy Trophy for Boys played at Copt Heath, Solihull, 2 + 2 rounds
- d) England Golf Boys Open for the Carris Trophy, 2 + 2 rounds
- e) England Golf Boys Southeast Region Individual Championship – 2 rounds
- f) England Golf U18's Amateur Championships

The trophy winner will be entered into the following years' Sunningdale Foursomes Match Play played in March, partnering a Hertfordshire Professional, or the Prince of Wales Championship held at Woburn.

8. HERTFORDSHIRE SELECTION ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to play in either the Boys or Girls County Championship, and to be selected to represent Hertfordshire, players must be under 18 years at 00.00 hours on 1st January in the tournament year and must be a member of a golf club which is affiliated to Hertfordshire Golf. They must not have represented another county in any matches, including friendlies, or county championships during that year, however: - To represent Hertfordshire in either the SEG U18, U16 & U14 League matches their HOME club must be affiliated to Hertfordshire Golf.

County team kit is issued to players to be worn when representing Hertfordshire Golf in matches and official training sessions. To complement this kit and to give a team appearance, players are requested to wear matching Trousers or Skort as selected by the team managers.

When a team represents Hertfordshire Golf involving overnight accommodation HG will cover expenses.

Hertfordshire Golf prides itself on producing not just exceptional players but competitors who, when representing the county, uphold the traditions of the game, especially with regard to sportsmanship and etiquette. To assist players understanding of their responsibilities a “Code of Conduct” is published which players are expected to comply to. County squad members are expected to act as “role models” to younger less experienced players. The “Code of Conduct” can be read on the [Hertfordshire Golf website](#).

9. JUNIOR WELFARE & CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Hertfordshire Golf is committed to creating and maintaining a happy and safe environment for children and young people. The Hertfordshire Golf policy document on “Junior Welfare and the Protection of Children in Golf” is available on the [Hertfordshire Golf website](#).

To ensure compliance with this policy, all parents of children participating in county training, matches and events must complete a [“Parental Consent Form” on-line through the county website](#). To maintain good etiquette and set exemplary standards all players are expected to abide by the published [“Code of Conduct”](#). Both documents have to be completed by a parent and the player on-line and they should retain a copy and submit a new form should any personal or medical details change.

To ensure full compliance and meet insurance conditions all professional and volunteer helpers must comply with DBS checks and Child Safety procedures and maintain up to date credentials.

10. AGE GROUP SQUADS COUNTY TRAINING/COACHING

From information gleaned from junior databases held by HG, players are invited by age and ability to attend autumn/winter/spring training days which are held at various clubs around the county.

There are three established boys’ groups being: The Performance Squad (U18), The Playing and Development Squads (U16) and the U14, Two Girls squads are: The Performance squad (U18) and the Development squads (U14)

The two older Boys age groups (U18 & U16) are sub-divided into 3 squads named the “Performance”, “Playing” and “Development Squad” All squads have a Lead Professional assigned to them who is responsible for their development and wellbeing.

At training sessions players are assessed and mentored on several key competencies including attitude, fitness, technical ability, golf fundamentals, present playing ability and future potential.

They receive individual guidance which may involve equipment check, grip, set-up, and swing and short-game techniques. They are given short game practice drills, game skill tests, course management evaluation, mental approach & attitude, putting skill tests, and instruction on how best to keep and use statistics to identify strengths and weaknesses helping focus on the areas of their game that can be improved. To support this objective, players are encouraged to use database sites such as Golf Data Lab which will provide statistical analysis to assess progress and provide information to identify key areas to work on.

Players can expect to learn more about controlling their ball flight and understanding the options available to them in order to better their scores on the course.

This is all under the expert eye of PGA approved golf professionals organised by the appointed Boys Managers and County Coaching Coordinator. The aim is to improve overall golfing proficiency with county and regional selection arising for those demonstrating the most potential.

Players are given advice on nutrition, planning their golfing itinerary, tournament preparation, and improving their knowledge and understanding of the Rules.

When practical, “role models” offer their assistance and guidance to support the players experience and development, and to answer questions raised by parents. In recent years these have included European Tour players Sam Little, Tom Lewis and Ladies European Tour member Hannah Burke.

Over time Boys are expected to aspire to selection for the 6-man team for the South Eastern Region Boys County Qualifying stroke play championship. This is regarded as the pinnacle event for the team in the calendar year as the winning county in the region progresses to the national county final to compete against the winners of the three other England Golf regions. Hertfordshire won this title, firstly in 1993 at Sherwood Forest, and again in 2010 at Goswick Links, and were finalist in 2016 at Cumberwell Park.

Meanwhile the Girls are selected for 'County Match Days' in August where they compete against six other counties who make up the Southeast Region.

11. STRENGTH & CONDITIONING (S&C)

Since 2007 golf specific Strength & Conditioning training has been a core element for Hertfordshire players under the guidance of the University of Hertfordshire at Hatfield. This has now evolved into weekly use of the facilities at the Performance Centre in the Sports Village under the direction of Fiona Scott, Head of S&C. These weekly gym sessions enable players to undergo individual screening assessment based on flexibility, core-strength, and coordination, following which they are given a personal exercise programme to improve their physical development and help prevent injury. They are regularly assessed, and their programme amended as they develop to maintain interest and provide variation. Flexibility is the key element and regular stretching exercises are introduced to improve performance. Boys & Girls are given a personal "home" or "gym" programme to undertake in their own time. Fiona is supported by qualified S&C Coaches when delivering the weekly sessions to ensure the players are monitored and correctly undertake the exercises advising them on techniques. The gym sessions have proved popular with players and there is ample evidence to show individual improvements from those that have committed to the programme.

12. THE HERTFORDSHIRE ACADEMY PROGRAMME + 'FUTURES TOUR & ITOUR'

The Hertfordshire Academy Programme (HAP) was created in 2010. HG openly recruit Lead and Assistant golf professionals who are appointed and allocated to an Academy. Academy sessions have proved highly successful. The structure has evolved and today academies are based on playing capability with 'Aims and Objectives' established specifically for each category with learning outcomes based on a progressive curricular programme to enhance the experience for the young player.

The "Futures Tour" was introduced in 2010. This initiative presents an opportunity for young golfers to have fun playing golf within their respective peer groups. The initial success has progressed and now over 100 young competitors register to play each year. They do not have to be a member of a golf club nor have a handicap. There are 7 events each year on par 3 courses around the county. The Futures Tour underpins the foundation of the Academy Programme and provides a nursery bed of young golfers progressing through recognised player pathways into club, county, and national structures.

In addition, the "iTour" programme has been structured for 11 to 17 year-old players. They are not required to have a handicap or be a member of a club and may be late comers to the game or in-need of a confidence boost on longer courses prior to playing a full 18-hole course.

Further information on the Academy Programme, Futures Tour or iTour can be obtained on the [Hertfordshire Golf website junior tab](#).

13. ENGLAND GOLF -THAMES VALLEY REGION BOYS & GIRLS SQUAD TRAINING

The County Junior Managers or the Regional and National selectors, can nominate players who display potential by their performance in national events for consideration for selection for England Golf, Thames Valley Regional squad training. Open application by players for places is encouraged by England Golf and applications need to be made by early August, those selected are invited to attend training days and weekends with England Golf appointed PGA professionals and a comprehensive support team, they will experience more intense training.

14. BOYS COUNTY MATCHES

Under 18 Boys

The first Boys event in the calendar year takes place in the school winter half-term traditionally held at Berkhamsted when the U18 Boys play a match against the younger U16 Boys for the Boys Challenge Shield. Later the U18 Boys play warm-up matches against Scratch club teams at Ashridge and Hadley Wood, and a triangular match against the County Men's and County Colts teams. The format for all these matches is 36-holes match-play off scratch, with morning foursomes and afternoon singles apart from the County Men's match which is 18-hole singles.

A Boys U18 SEG regional League was introduced in 2015. The 11 counties in the region are drawn in one of three pools, a Southern, Northern and Central Zone, and each county host one home fixture and play two away matches, playing two other counties simultaneously in 3-balls. The format is 8-aside, 18-hole match-play with the winner of each zone pool qualifying for the final against the winning county of the other two zones. Hertfordshire play in the Central Zone against Berks Bucks & Oxon (BB&O), Essex, and Middlesex with one county sitting out a match in turn for each round robin. These matches are played between May and early September on a Sunday afternoon to keep travel time and costs to a minimum.

During the Easter holiday a combined U18/U16 team play an inter-county match against Essex for the Cheshunt Salver. In addition to the early season match against their older U18 rivals, during the summer the U16's Boys play Surrey Boys U16's in singles match-play only. In September/October, an U17 Boys team play Kent Boys. This late season match gives both counties the opportunity to look at players eligible for the following season.

England Golf Boys County Finals

A six player Hertfordshire team is selected to contest the England Golf SEG County Boys Qualifying against 10 other counties playing 36-holes stroke play with the best 5 scores from 6 for each 18-hole round taken as the team score. This competition is regarded as the most important of the county tournaments, as the winning county qualifies for the England Golf Boys' County Championship Final where they play the winner of each of the other three England Golf regions in match play over 3 days.

Under 16 Boys

In 2007 Hertfordshire together with Middlesex, Bedfordshire and BB&O started the "**Home Counties**" Leagues at both **U16 and U14** age groups. Each county host one home fixture and play two away fixtures. The matches were match-play off scratch and played in a triangular format in three-ball, in other words a county played two other counties simultaneously. The U14 team was 10-aside and played 9-hole morning foursomes followed by 18-hole afternoon singles with players for the singles matched in handicap order. The U16 team is 8-aside with 18-hole morning foursomes and 18-hole afternoon singles with the playing order at the managers' discretion.

The U16 League Trophy was presented in memory of former Boys' Manager and County President, Mike Amos. Middlesex presented a replica for the U14 League.

Since 2017 the SEG now administers the U16 league which mirrors the U18 SEG leagues as 18-hole singles match play with the zone winner qualifying for the regional final to play against the other two zone winners.

Through the generosity and hospitality of the Society of Hertfordshire Captains, an U15 Boys team combine and partner a past captain in 4BBB match-play format over 18-holes

Under 14 Boys

Since 2005 an U14 team has played an inter-county fixture against Essex and from 2012 the Society of Hertfordshire Captains extended their generosity to play with the County U14's, again in a 4BBB format with a boy partnering a past club captain usually played at Essendon GC during the Easter holiday.

In 2014 a new SE Region Boys U14 League started with 6 counties forming two pools of 3 counties drawn each year with one to play against two others with each county hosting a home fixture and playing two away matches. The format is 10-aside singles match play with fixtures on a Sunday afternoon during April/May to avoid clashing with existing league fixtures. The winner of each pool then plays a final to decide the winning

county. The counties involved are Essex, Hampshire, Hertfordshire, Kent, Surrey and Sussex. Since 2018 the SEG administer an U14 league which mirrors the U16 league structure.

Nowadays, the first opportunity for many young golfers to represent Hertfordshire is to be selected to play for a combined U13/U12 team against Surrey and BB & O. This fixture started in 2008 as a three-cornered match-play played off scratch with each group of three players accompanied by a marker to ensure fair-play, encourage good etiquette and maintain a good pace of play. An U13 Team also play a match v Essex.

Inter-county matches alternate yearly, home and away, unless there are other arrangements

15. GIRLS COUNTY MATCHES

Under 18 Girls

County Match Days

Under 16 Girls

Under 14 Girls

16. JUNIOR DELEGATES MEETING

Hertfordshire Golf periodically arrange a Junior Organiser's meeting to update delegates on current junior golf matters. At this meeting attendees are briefed on junior progress, new prospects and any relevant initiatives affecting junior golfers particularly the Hertfordshire Academy Programme. A guest speaker may be invited to present on a suitable subject relating to junior golf, and there is the opportunity for delegates to raise topics of interest or points for consideration on any aspect affecting junior golf.

This gathering is useful for junior organisers to meet like-minded representatives from other clubs to compare their organisation and discuss ideas to help promote junior golf. Additionally, it is also helpful in establishing contact for junior organisers, especially as clubs will want to arrange suitable dates for league matches.

17. JUNIOR LEAGUES

There are two leagues operating within the county that include clubs from neighbouring counties which have operated successfully for many years. As part of the player pathway, it is hoped that they will continue to thrive as they provide a terrific opportunity for young golfers to experience match-play conditions, and to hone their game and competitive edge. Presently Hertfordshire Golf runs the Ver Junior Golf League.

- The Ver Junior Golf League is a combined 'Singles' and 'Greensomes' match-play event, played in pools with winners attending a Finals Day.
- South West Herts League (4BBB match-play).

18. NATIONAL EVENTS

Aspiring junior golfers displaying exceptional ability have numerous opportunities to play regional and national tournaments many of which are sponsored and may allow them to progress to Grand Finals.

These include the Faldo Series – www.nickfaldo.com (boys and girls up to U21)

In addition, there are several championships held annually where players have the opportunity to be noticed as they may be attended by national and regional selectors. These include:-

- England Golf SEG Region Boys Championship (U18)
- England Golf Closed for Boys and Girls (U18) - First played in 2021
- England Golf Boys Open for the Carris Trophy (U18)
- England Golf Boys Open for the McGregor Trophy (U16)
- England Golf Boys Open for the Reid Trophy (U14)
- Peter McEvoy Trophy for Boys and Girls U18, played at Copt Heath G. C., Solihull
- Douglas Johns Trophy for Boys U15 played at Harewood Downs G.C. Chalfont St. Giles
- Henry Cooper Young Masters for U18 Boys & Girls played at Nizels G.C. Tonbridge, Kent
- North of England U16 Boys & Girls Open played at Heswall G.C., Cheshire or Pannell G.C. Yorkshire
- South of England Boys (SEBO) U18 Championship held at Yeovil & Sherborne G.C.'s

- R & A British Boys Championship (U18)
- Bernard Darwin Salver for Boys/Colts U21 played early season at Rye G.C., East Sussex
- Fairhaven Trophy held at Fairhaven G.C. Lancashire (U18 Boys & Girls)
- Prince of Wales Championship held at Woburn, Bedfordshire (U21 Boys & Girls)
- North of England Boys U14 Open at South Moor G.C., Co. Durham
- North of England Youths Championship held at Middlesbrough G.C., Cleveland (U21)
- East Berks Junior Stag Open at East Berks G.C., Berkshire (U18 Boys & Girls)
- West of England Boys Championship at Burnham & Berrow G.C., Somerset (U18)

Full details can be obtained from England Golf/Hertfordshire Golf/BB&O/Dorset and other relevant host club/county websites where individual entry is the responsibility of the competitor.

With so much competitive golf available today inevitably date clashes will occur with selection for representative matches and open competitions providing conflicts.

Where such a conflict of interest arises then players are advised to follow the priorities laid out in the Hertfordshire Golf Code of Conduct, (available on the county website) which is: -
Country, County, Club and Self.

19. JUNIOR SPONSORSHIP & AMATEUR STATUS

Promising junior golfers may receive sponsorship from individuals, groups, or companies.

All monies **MUST** be passed to the Hertfordshire Golf Treasurer who, under the “Rules of Golf and Amateur Status”, will administer the fund and reimburse the player against legitimate receipted invoices until the fund is exhausted. This procedure protects the players' amateur status.

Full details on Amateur Status can be found in the R & A Rules of Golf book and from www.randa.org

20. USEFUL WEB SITE LINKS

Information relating to news, clubs, fixtures, tournaments, events and entry conditions, tee times, archive results, players county match play performance statistics, etc. can be found on the Hertfordshire Golf website
<https://www.hertfordshiregolf.org>

Further information helpful to junior golf can be obtained from the England Golf website
<https://www.Englandgolf.org>