



County Junior Academy Support

May 2025

At the recent County Delegate's meeting I spoke about the role the Junior Academy has in supporting and developing the Junior Girls in Oxfordshire, from those beginners who are starting out on their golfing journeys, to more experienced players who have established handicaps and are looking to continue improving and being more competitive with their golf.

Whilst the Academy is run by Andy Taylor at Kirtlington, it is the County's responsibility to provide Safeguarding cover for the girls, and we do need additional support to ensure we are able to provide this from 2026 onwards. I am therefore looking to put in place a 'pool' of 'secondary' helpers sourced from our Oxfordshire clubs, who will attend alongside a 'primary' support helper appointed by the County. I am looking for one or two days at most per year from each of the new 'secondary' helpers, as with enough clubs signed up, we should have more than enough cover to continue to run the Academy into the future.

I attach two documents for you to take back to your committees - the first is an outline of what the new helper position involves, and the other is a flyer for this year's Academy, which has been sent out to parents to encourage their daughters to join up. Please have a read and then discuss at your next Committee meetings - feedback can be given at our next CD meeting later in the year.

Finally, we do have Academy sessions for the Development girls running on the following dates - if anyone would like to come along and experience exactly what is involved before committing themselves, please let me know.

Sunday July 13

Sunday August 17

Sunday September 14th

Many thanks

Caroline