

Allendale Golf Club

Junior Golf Newsletter March 2018

Now that March is upon us, we look forward to the start of the new golfing season and the first of the Club fixtures on Saturday, 31 March, when the Club Captain's team competes against the Chairman's team. Let's hope that the weather is kind and that the golfing year gets off to a good start. Those Juniors who have a handicap playing off the "reds" or "yellows" from last season are invited to join in this competition over 9 holes, on 31 March. I hope that many of you will take this opportunity of playing in an adult competition.

The fixture list, which is sent out as soon as you renew your membership for 2018, gives you information about all of the Junior competitions throughout the year but I would remind that during April there is a workshop on Wednesday, 4 April, and the first Junior medals on Saturday, 7 April.

Each year we look forward to welcoming back junior members from previous years but we very much like to encourage new members. With this in mind, it would be good if present members could "bring a friend" to the April workshop to introduce them to the Club and golf!

Again this year, there will be free coaching with Martin Forster, during May and June, along with further workshops at half term in May and during the summer holidays. These sessions will be on Saturday afternoons, I will forward the dates when these have been finalised.

We also have Junior matches organised with Prudhoe and Rothbury Golf Clubs. The first will be on Friday 1 June.

Following on from the success of Allendale Golf Club as a venue for the Northumberland Golf Tour (NJGT), we have again been asked to host a Tour event. This is scheduled for Sunday 17 June. I know that several of you have already entered this competition. I hope that you will all be as successful as the squad was last year.

For those of you who want to have the full details of how to enter the NJGT, go to their website at www.northernjuniorgolftour.co.uk, and click on the Northumberland Tour page. Please note, I understand that demand for places is already high, so do not delay in getting your application in by 31st of this month, March.

On the subject of OPEN Competitions:

- As happened last year, MKM will be supporting and sponsoring a Junior Golf Open at Allendale. This is scheduled for Saturday, 14 July. Like the NJGT, this will have several categories of entrants... and prizes! Details are on the Allendale Golf Club website.
- There will also be a Junior Competition as part of the North Pennines Open on Saturday, 15 September.

Both of these events will offer further opportunities for you to play with junior golfers from other clubs throughout the North East.

I hope that you are all going to be joining again this year and I look forward to meeting up with you in the near future. If you are taking part in any of the April activities or require any other information, then please email me.

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