

Ashford Manor Golf Club

Club Sections & Matches - Information.



About us

Whether you prefer social golf or competitive golf, Ashford Manor caters for all.

As a founder member of the Middx County Golf Union in 1924, and first winning the Middlesex Champion Club title in 1927, Ashford has been prominent in County Golf for some time. Over the years the Club has also been home to some fantastic golfers, starting with one of the greatest players in British Golf History, Harold Hilton, through to modern day whereby current life member Graham Homewood almost emulated Hilton as British Amateur Champion, losing in the final.

The ladies section also have their notoriety. Mrs George Hunter, a Captain and founder member of Ashford Manor Ladies Golf Club in March 1903, was a pioneer and the clubs first Lady international being a player for Middlesex and England for the home Internationals. Miss Tucker, around the same time, represented Ashford Manor in the British Women's Amateur Championship. In 1973 the ladies won the Middlesex County Pearson Competition.

With a strong membership, and a course to be proud of, playing representative Golf for Ashford could be something that interests you. Ranging from scratch golf to mixed pairs, from seniors golf to team 6 a side competitions, we have a broad range to suit all ages and abilities. Details of many of the sub sections/competitions we enter are detailed below, together with contact details and sign up information. It would be great to see some new faces, and perhaps even "top up" the Club trophy cabinet in due course.

The General Committee.
Ashford Manor Golf Club.

Seniors Golf



- Any male Member aged 60 or over classifies as a Senior.
- No single Club Section for all Seniors, instead there is a loose-knit collection of Roll-up groups, playing at different times, of varying abilities, some specifically for the age group above, whilst others may predominantly comprise senior players but welcome younger players as well.

"The Seniors"

Our golf might be described as sociable with a touch of friendly rivalry. Our aim is to enjoy playing whilst remaining competitive, to encourage and support each other. We organise internal competition and, traditionally, we have been responsible for the Club's Senior matches (involving up to 15 other Clubs), which in recent years has included taking part in the M4 Winter League.

When we play - Monday, Wednesday and Friday early morning.

Age - 60+

Playing ability - No specific limits but effective range between 12.0 and 30.0 handicap Index.

Our programme - Mid-week roll-ups, Summer and Winter internal championships.

Seasonal special events (including lunch). Away days.

Club roles - Co-ordinating annual programme of Seniors Friendly Matches (10 home and away).

Organising Invitational Seniors Open.

Co-ordinating the M4 Winter League Matches (up to 5 home and away).

Contacts: Vets - Tim Kelt (see picture above) and John (Nobby) Clarke.

"The Apprentice Vets"

The Apprentice Vets were formed as a roll-up around 25 years ago when it was felt that the numbers in the Seniors roll-up had become somewhat unwieldy. This roll-up has probably become the main route in which new members – who wish to play mid-week golf – are introduced to a wider group of potential playing partners. Cards are drawn each roll-up to determine partners so the process of meeting and playing with different partners is pretty rapid. Like the Seniors, with whom incidentally we have a very close relationship, we also play friendly but competitive golf for very small stakes (maximum potential loss is £2 per day - and even then you will be able to share in a convivial bowl of chips or two supplied by the winning team). The roll-up itself contains players of all standards from single figures upwards and is, arguably, stronger than the Seniors qualification to play – there are no age or playing standards qualifications (if you are accepted by the club as a member that is sufficient).

When do we play - Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, immediately following the Seniors roll-up with the first group usually teeing off at around 08.30.

Roll-up Format – we play Stableford golf in threes or four (depending on exact numbers) and have an individual comp (with usually a 1st and 2nd prize plus a team comp based on a better ball 2 or 3 scores per hole format).

Other Comps – we organise two Apprentice Vets Meetings (Spring and Autumn) at the club each year involving golf with drawn partners followed by lunch and a presentation.

Contacts: Mick Conway and David Basterfield.

Foxes Golf

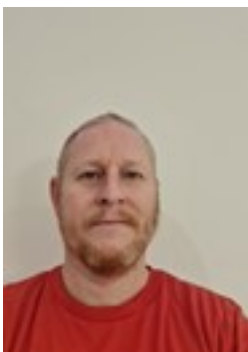


A very active section for male members. Matches are friendly but competitive. New members of AMGC welcome.

- Men Handicap 8 to 18 and is affiliated to Middx County Foxes Assoc.
- Matches against other Middx Clubs May to September.
- Plus the section runs - Foxes Championship (Autumn Stableford Board Comp), Foxtrot (golf day, dinner + partners), Foxes drawn pairs, (knockout 4BBB run over winter).
- Abrey Cup - 9 man team knockout vs other Middx clubs on neutral course.
- Middx County Foxes Championship - 6 man team, hosted by a different club each year. Team selected by Foxes captain based on who regularly plays for Foxes.
- Annual Tour. Venue chosen by the Foxes captain.
- Spring Away day. Venue chosen by Foxes captain.

Contact: John (Nobby) Clarke.

Sabres Golf



Section for Male members playing competitive club matches/competitions as follows. New members welcome.

Bullivant Bowl - this is a knock out competition involving a home and away tie in each round.

Teams must enter a total of 6 players for a 4 ball better ball format.

Typically players from 5.5 up to approx. 10-11 are playing in this competition as it is scratch versus the opposition.

Sabres (previously Tigers B) - usually follows the same handicap as the Bullivant Bowl. Format is also 6 players playing Home and Away league fixtures as pairs, 4-ball better ball

The winners of each of the leagues are then drawn to play in regional semi-finals and a final which is at a neutral venue.

League games are played home and away against each of the 3-4 opposition league teams

Middx 6's which is for a higher handicap range (2 x lower, 2 mid and 2 higher....exact handicaps TBC). This is knock out only.

Contact: Perry Page (Sabres, Bullivant Bowl, general).
Wayne Hancock specific to Middx 6's.

Scratch Golf



Aimed at the better player and suitable for handicaps of 5 and below. We play in two competitions.

Inter county scratch league - Singles matches played in a league format. Team consists of 6 players, with matches played home and away. Teams in our league this year; Maidenhead, Flackwell Heath, Gerrards Cross, and Harewood Downs.

Presidents Foursomes - Foursomes knockout against Middlesex clubs. Team of 6 first round is home and away following rounds drawn either home or away.

Contact: James Hopkins (alternative contact Richard Sivers).
Match Sign up sheet will be placed on the board in the gents locker room or via WhatsApp 07775787272.

Mens Friendly Matches

These are a great way to represent the Club in a relaxed and friendly environment, where winning is encouraged(!) but not the be-all and end-all. We have 9 matches arranged in 2022, 5 midweek and 4 at weekends (mixture of home and away). These are typically played as 4 BBB and have a social element where players are encouraged to stay and have something to eat/drink with their opponent/team mates, and discuss the days play. There is no handicap limit.

Contact: Mark Olding.
Sign up sheet is in Mens locker room.....simply add your name/availability.

Ladies Golf



SLCGA Centenary Bowl and plate competitions. Run by Surrey in the summer. Team of 5 playing singles match play off scratch. Minimum handicap index is 10. The club is drawn against another club home and away match winners go to the draw for the Centenary Bowl and losers are entered in the draw for the Centenary Plate. A sign up sheet will be posted in the ladies locker room.

Contact: Philomena Clancy.

Wallis Trophy and plate competitions run by Surrey same format as the Centenary Bowl but for handicaps 21 - 36 and played off handicap. A sign up sheet will be posted in the ladies locker room.

Contact: Heather Bailey or Polly Brown.

We also have qualifying competitions for which players are entered to county or national finals.

Inter club foursomes a knock out competition run by Surrey. The qualifiers are the winners of the ladies Huggins Foursomes knock out run the previous year. All ladies are eligible to play in the Huggins.

Ping 4 BBB winners of the ladies Ping 4 BBB event played at AMGC are put forward and the top 50 scores from clubs qualify to play in the national finals.

The winner of the England Golf Medal is put forward to the south regional final. The winner is the lady that has the best 4 nett medal scores from all qualifying competitions at AMGC. All ladies are eligible to play in the club competitions.

Druce run by Surrey. A one day event which all Surrey clubs can enter a team Two pairs each consisting of one player 0-20 handicap and the other handicap 21- 32. Format is foursomes, the first pair post a medal score and the second pair try to better it resulting in an eclectic score. Very competitive!

Contact: Sue Bower (see image above)

Surrey Pearson Matches.



This competition is a ladies competitive league organised by Surrey Golf playing against other clubs in Surrey. It gives the opportunity for ladies to play competitive golf as it is a prestigious competition played between October and March. The matches consists of 7 singles matchplay.

To qualify for the competition, players should have a current world handicap system index between 12.5 and 34.4 inclusive. There will be a signing up sheet in the ladies' locker room in early October showing dates of matches and availability. Following this the Pearson Captain selects the strongest team.

Ladies Friendly Matches

There are 8 friendly golf matches during the summer months giving the opportunity for ladies to play competitive but friendly golf.

The matches consist of teams of 8 ladies playing 4 ball better ball matches (pairs) against local golf clubs.

ALL ladies in the club are eligible to play in these friendly matches. There will be a signing up sheet in the ladies' locker room in early May showing dates of matches and availability. Following this the Captain selects the team.

Contact: Pamela Clarke (see image above)

Mixed Golf

New Ping 4BBB mixed Ping competition. Mixed pairs play in the qualifying competition held at AMGC and the winning pair's score is put forward.

The top 50 scores from clubs around the country go on to play in the national finals.

Mixed matches: at the moment only two in the diary (looking to increase for 2023). Format is 8 pairs playing 4BBB match play. The matches are friendly in nature but there is still a keen intention to win!

No handicap limits. Sign up sheets in the locker rooms.

Contacts: Sue Bower and Mark Olding.