

Ashford Manor Golf Club Junior Section Report 2024

The 2024 season has been nothing short of extraordinary for the Ashford Manor Golf Club's Junior Section. With our membership soaring to over 60 enthusiastic young golfers, we're witnessing a vibrant community that's passionate about the game and brimming with potential.

Under the dynamic leadership of **Ethan Oxlade**, and the dedicated support of our Junior Organisers, **Linas Bucy** and **Cairbre Smith**, the future of golf at Ashford Manor has never looked brighter.

A Season of Unparalleled Achievements

Our juniors have made remarkable strides this year, leaving an indelible mark in both league and club competitions. With more than 12 juniors representing the club, their collective efforts propelled AMGC to the finals in two prestigious leagues:

Guildford and District League: Securing **3rd place** out of 16 formidable teams. **Middlesex Friern League**: Achieving an impressive **2nd place** among 13 competing clubs.

These outstanding results are a testament to the hard work, dedication, and team spirit of our young budding prospects. They've not only showcased their golfing prowess but also heightened the club's reputation on a broader stage.

Thriving Club Competitions and Emerging Talent

The heartbeat of our junior section lies in the regular **roll-up events** that run throughout the year. These gatherings, coupled with our monthly **Stableford competitions**, provide the perfect platform for skill development and friendly rivalry. This year, we mirrored the adult competitions with numerous board events, giving our juniors a taste of high stakes play.

A special shout-out to the many new faces who've emerged victorious or as runners-up in these competitions—your enthusiasm and talent are invigorating! The generous sponsorship from the AMGC board has been instrumental, allowing juniors to proudly take home trophies and cash prizes. This support not only rewards their achievements but fuels their passion for the game.

Individual Triumphs and Future Stars

The club couldn't be prouder of **Jack Manders**, who clinched the **Middlesex U16 Championship** this year. Jack's stellar performance is a shining example of the calibre of golfers we're nurturing at Ashford Manor. Congratulations, Jack—you've set a high bar for all of us!

Our influence extends beyond club boundaries, with a remarkable **10 players** joining the Middlesex County Elite and Development squads and **3 players** making their mark in the Surrey Junior squads. With representation across all age groups—U14, U16, and U18—this highlights the depth and breadth of talent within our ranks. The flourishing of our junior section is not just a promise for our club's future but also for the sport at large.

Community Spirit and Memorable Moments

The 2024 season culminated in a heart-warming mixer event organised by the wonderful **Jo Butt** and **Mary Dowsett**. This splendid day was filled with golf, laughter, and a true sense of community, providing our juniors with a unique opportunity to connect with the wider membership. Such events are the lifeblood of our club, fostering camaraderie and creating lasting memories. A. huge thank you to Jo and Mary for orchestrating this unforgettable experience! — we already have a date for the 2025 event.

Looking Ahead: Embracing Opportunities and Growth

As we celebrate last year's achievements, we're already buzzing with excitement for what's on the horizon. Plans are underway to expand our programmes, introduce new training sessions, and create even more opportunities for our juniors to excel. We encourage all young golfers, whether seasoned players or newcomers, to dive in and be a part of our vibrant community. Please watch this space for updates.

Heartfelt Gratitude

Our journey wouldn't be possible without the unwavering support of the AMGC board, incredible parents and the broader club community. Your encouragement, time, and enthusiasm make all the difference. The backing from the club has been instrumental in providing resources and opportunities for our juniors to shine on and off the course. From the bottom of our hearts - **Thank you!**

Join Us in Shaping the Future

If you or someone you know is eager to embark on an exciting golfing adventure, the Ashford Manor Junior Section welcomes you with open arms. Let's continue to foster a love for the game, nurture emerging talent, and make the 2025 season even more spectacular.

The AMGC schedule offers lots of opportunities for juniors to play during the year and hopefully win some trophies. We are delighted to announce that there will be multiple teams formats this year allowing for more juniors to experience inter-club matches.

We kindly ask parents and carers to encourage juniors to play in as many competitions as possible so it can allow AMGC to select them for club matches.

At AMGC, we're not just playing golf—we're building a legacy.