

Membership: Juniors

Our aim is to encourage juniors of all ages to learn how to play, to behave properly on the Golf Course, and to have some fun!

We organise several junior competitions throughout the year with eight trophies to be played for that have been kindly donated by members or associations within the club. These are usually played for on a Sunday. Most summer competitions are medals and the winter ones are stablefords.

Coaching and achievement of National Skill Challenges is organized by our professional Matthew Gillingham and his team of Sam Matthews and Jordan Massey.

Wilmslow juniors have had a run of success in recent years, starting with winning the Gleneagles division of the Mid Cheshire Junior League in 2008

In 2009 they reached the final of the Derbyshire & Cheshire Juniors Knockout Cup, losing in the final 3:2 to Cavendish with a team pictured below of Lucy Pike, Harry Slade, Charlie Reid, Edward Maddocks, Richard Bilyard, and Harry Stott our reserve on the day.



The juniors won the Mid Cheshire Junior League Open in 2010 with a team of James Bowyer, Andy Jackson, Edward Maddocks and Ben Stanier, and came second in the inaugural Cheshire Junior Team Championship played at Stockport with a team of Rob Hart, Milo Keely and Harry Slade.

In 2011 the juniors have had several successes. Having finished 5th in the Cheshire Junior Team Championship, out of a field of 34 teams from clubs across Cheshire, with a team of Rob Hart, Edward Maddocks and Harry Slade, they went on to win the Gross Scores Howard Peck Trophy in the Derbyshire and Cheshire League.

Initially they won their division, with matches at Bramall Park, Davenport, Disley, Hazel Grove, Marple, Tytherington and Wilmslow with a combined gross score of 1613 over the seven matches with the best

three scores from the team of five to count from each match. They won the final with a gross score of 229 against Macclesfield who scored 240 in the final played at Macclesfield with a team of Edward Maddocks, Charlotte Leathem, Tom Lewis Harry Slade and Rob Hart. These five players had a combined handicap of 19 between the five of them, on the day, though this has already come down.

The winning team is pictured below with the shield they won.



Edward Maddocks

Charlotte Leathem

Tom Lewis

Harry Slade

Rob Hart

The following juniors from Wilmslow also played for the team this season. Tom Lawton, Ben Stanier, and Joe Healey all played in more than one of the rounds, and Will Allen, Richard Bilyard, Alasdair Brown, Hugo Church, George Hobson, George Slade and Jonny Williams all played in one match each.

This year has seen some exceptional development by the young players and the help and support from our professional has led to more and more of them improving their handicaps and scoring well as the year has gone along.

All juniors at Wilmslow Golf Club receive one lesson a year with the professional as part of their annual subscription, and are encouraged to have more to help them to improve their game and to understand the correct etiquette in order to play the game properly.

This year's junior competitions have been won so far by Ben Stanier, Rob Hart, Alex Gill, Edward Fluck, James Gething and Lawrie Blakey.

Two of the junior members Tom Lewis and Ben Stanier have been awarded a golf scholarship at Myerscough College near Preston to go on study how to become a golf professional. There are only ten scholarships awarded each year and for two of the successful applicants to come from the same club is an honour for Ben and Tom.

In the adult competitions in 2011 the following junior members have had the following successes. Tom Lewis playing with an adult member Alex Jerman won the Dr Walsh 4BBB competition, Charlotte Leatham not only won the Ladies June Stableford, but also had the best gross on Lady Captain's Day when she set a new course record with a score of 65 gross.

Tom Lawton won the prestigious 36 hole Chadwick Cup as well as the Hunter Scratch Knock Out Cup, Harry Slade won the August G&M Medal and Edward Maddocks won the September G&M Medal.

Juniors with a handicap of 18 and below are permitted to enter any of the men's competitions but currently only those with a Category 1 handicap can win a major competition.

Other honours for Wilmslow juniors this year include George Hobson winning the Wilmslow Junior Open by scoring a net 67 on the day, Tom Lewis who won the 36 hole Tytherington Junior Open and Charlotte Leatham who has represented Cheshire Ladies and besides breaking the course record at Wilmslow she has broken the course record at Styal where she is their Junior Captain.

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