



Junior Handbook 2026

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Introduction

Welcome to Halesworth Golf Junior Section where we strive to achieve the mission statement:

“dedicated to promoting golf at all levels, in a fun and safe environment”

At Halesworth Golf we offer a wide range of top class facilities, including an 18-hole championship course and a 9-hole pay-and-play course, a 10 bay floodlit driving range, a practice chipping and putting green and a very well stocked golf shop. Our lounge, bar and restaurant provides a wonderful relaxing space to enjoy food and drink with unrivalled views over the course and adjoining countryside.

There are a range of junior competitions to enter for all abilities which are run throughout the year, these can all be found on the IG app.

We hope that you enjoy your time at Halesworth Golf

Ben Townsend
Managing Director

Competitions

Junior competitions are open to all boys and girls who are members of Halesworth Golf and have a handicap.

Throughout the main golfing season from April to November, there will be various monthly competitions on both the 9 and 18-hole courses which contribute to an annual order of merit. There will also be standalone trophy competitions such as the Junior Club Championship, mixed-section events and seasonal junior fun days too.

In addition to internal club competitions, we also participate in Golf Sixes League – an inter-club league aimed at grassroots level for younger players with handicaps of 37+ or those who have yet to obtain their first handicap.

We are also involved with the piloting of a new Golf Nines series aimed at providing the next development step for players who have benefitted from participating in Golf Sixes and whose handicaps are too low to meet the eligibility criteria.

Handicaps

HOW TO OBTAIN A HANDICAP

Scorecards from rounds played on either the 9 or 18 hole course, totalling a combination of 54 holes are required, signed by a member to obtain a handicap.

Once completed, please hand these into the pro shop so that they can be uploaded to the WHS platform, and an official handicap can be obtained.

Please ask the shop staff or Handicap Secretary for more information (Rob Sherington or Colin Hillier)

Club Information

Parents or Guardians

Parents or Guardians of junior members will be required to fill out a player profile form and sign a parent consent form.

Code of Conduct

Junior members will be required to sign and adhere to the Halesworth Golf Club code of conduct for junior members and abide by the club dress and mobile phone rules.

General Rules

Junior members will not be permitted to sign in guests at a reduced rate until they reach the age of 18 nor can they be elected or appointed to the general committee or vote at the annual general meeting.

Course Risk Management Policy

Junior members are required to adhere to the Halesworth Golf- Course Risk Management Policy.

Rules of golf - Etiquette

Junior members must get to know the rules of golf and become fully acquainted with the etiquette of the game. A copy of the rules of golf can be obtained from the golf shop. All local rules will be posted on the club noticeboard and in the starter hut on the 1st tee (Blyth course)

Club Information

Dress Rules

We are sure that all members and visitors to the club would want us to maintain a respectable standard of dress. Naturally, we request your help in achieving this aim.

18 Hole Blyth Course –

Trousers or Tailored Shorts

Collared Polo Shirt

Golf Shoes

Ladies – Collared Polo Top, Trousers, Cropped Trousers, Tailored Shorts or Skort

9 Hole -

Casual clothing is permitted

Golf Shoes not mandatory

Please note, the golf shop staff will monitor the standard of dress on both courses and if you are found on the course without the correct attire, you may be asked to leave the course.

Tuition

The coaching service at Halesworth Golf is of the very highest quality and the club offers outstanding facilities to improve your game.

Individual Lessons

One-to-one tuition focusing on various aspects including long game, short game and putting. Take advantage of our state-of-the-art Trackman 4 launch monitor and excellent practice facilities.

We recognise that every golfer has different capabilities, needs, and aims. Every individual has varying lengths of time to practice so we take this into account.

Junior Coaching

Group coaching sessions take place on Saturday mornings (45 mins) and Wednesday evenings (1 hour). These are free for junior members between April and September.

Playing Lessons

Very effective for those who want to save shots from their game, but do not want too much technical input. Time is spent on routine, club selection, sloping lies, and course strategy.

Operation 36

Operation 36 is a modern, structured approach to learning and improving your golf, suitable for players of all ages and abilities. The programme focuses on helping you set clear goals, track your progress, and enjoy your development in a fun and supportive environment.

You can find out more and register your interest by visiting the link below:

 [Operation 36 Landing Page](#)

To get started, download the free Operation 36 Golf app from the App Store or Google Play. Through the app, you'll be able to:

Take part in tailored coaching sessions and on-course challenges

Monitor your progress and achievements over time

Stay connected with your coaches and fellow players

Work towards the ultimate goal, shooting a score of 36 for 9 holes!

We're very excited to bring Operation 36 to Halesworth and believe it will be a fantastic addition to our coaching. We encourage all junior members to get involved and experience the benefits first-hand.

If you have any questions or would like assistance with getting started or downloading the app, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Health & Safety

The **ATTENTION** of all players using the course is drawn to the following instructions concerning potential hazards on the course.

1. It is a player's responsibility to ensure that it is safe to play before playing any shot.
2. Be aware of shots from other holes that could come your way.
3. Prior to playing a stroke or practice swing, all players must ensure that no one is standing close by or in a position to be hit.
4. Do not play shots if there is any danger of hitting a member of the public on a footpath (on the 7th) or vehicles and horses on the roadway across the 5th and 6th hole.
5. There are ponds on the 1st, 8th, 10th, 11th and 18th holes. **NEVER** attempt to retrieve balls from within these ponds.
6. **Greenkeepers.** At all times staff working on the course have priority and no golf shots to be played if the staff are within shot range. The staff are required to wear ear protectors when working with the machinery as protection against noise, therefore players must exercise extreme caution.
7. **In Foggy Conditions.** If players are in any doubt about being able to see where their shot will end, play must cease. (Please refer to Rule 1 above.)
8. **In Thunder and Lightning Conditions.** Play must cease immediately.
9. **Paths.** Where paths are available on the course all golfers whether walking, using a trolley or buggy must use them.
10. **Players Insurance** All golfers (members & Visitors) are advised to take out adequate 3rd party insurance to provide cover for liability at law for damages payable in respect of:
 - Death or injury
 - Loss of damage to material property

Additional rules for the 9 hole golf course.

- Do not play shots if there is any danger of hitting a member of the public on the footpath to the left of the 7th hole.
- There are ponds on the 1st, 2nd and 9th holes. **NEVER** attempt to retrieve balls from within these ponds.

In case of an accident or an injury on the course or in the clubhouse, you must report this to the office or duty bar/shop person if the office is closed. First Aid kits are located in the Golf Shop and the kitchen. The accident book is located behind the bar.

The club accepts no liability for any accident or damage caused by not following the safety notices & guidelines whilst playing on our courses

Contacts

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