



WOODPECKER JUNIOR GOLF ACADEMY 2026

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About us

West Byfleet is a traditional members club with a strong, friendly family tradition, an outstanding golf course and a relaxed social environment in which to play the game.

Located only 3 miles from Woking, the club is easily accessible from both the A3/M25 and West Byfleet railway station. The Club was formed in 1922, when members of the original club, Bleakdown, purchased it from landowner Hugh Fortescue Locke King, who founded nearby New Zealand Golf Club and the Brooklands Motor Racing circuit.

The Bleakdown course was designed and laid out in 1906 by Cuthbert Butchart, who was a well-known professional of the time and whose other projects included West Hill and Highgate.

A major redesign was undertaken in 1922 by the celebrated course architect, John Abercromby, who also designed Worpleston, The Addington, Coombe Hill, Bovey Castle and Knole Park.

The comparatively few alterations that have been made to the design since 1922 have been carried out by other notable course architects such as Arthur Croome, James Braid and John Morrison – a partner of Harry Colt.

Today, the legacy of such illustrious names remains intact, along with the fruits of a five-year course improvement programme, designed and overseen by leading golf course architects Mackenzie & Ebert.





WHY JOIN THE WOODPECKER ACADEMY?

- Are you a girl or a boy aged between 9 and 15?
- Are you new to golf?
- Would you like to learn to play on an established and well-regarded golf course?

Then this is an exciting opportunity for you to learn to play golf with other like minded children in a fun environment.

Who should apply?

Any girl or boy who is a beginner and wants to play golf.

Following successful completion of the Woodpecker Academy, students may be able to apply for Junior membership of our members only club, subject to space and approval.



Our Junior Section

Our Club is proud of its Junior Section and the excellent golfers we have managed to 'grow' with some playing for Surrey and others selected for college scholarships in the USA.

Our Juniors have the opportunity to play in many Junior specific club competitions as well as in some adult competitions and external Junior league competitions.

We are a SafeGolf accredited club with an approved Children and Young People Safeguarding Policy. All relevant staff are DBS checked & First Aid trained.





THE WOODPECKER ACADEMY INCLUDES

- 18 lessons and supervised practice sessions - (one per week, usually 12 noon - 1pm on a Saturday)
- Training delivered by our team of PGA Golf Professionals
- Lessons covering the full golf swing, pitching, chipping, bunker play, putting & course management, and some lessons will be on the course
- Teaching of all aspects of golf, including golf etiquette, pace of play and rules
- Tuition in small groups, therefore places will be limited.
- Provision of golf equipment where necessary
- Use of all practice facilities





**LIMITED
PLACES
REMAINING**

Confirmed Dates:
Saturdays 12noon - 1pm

May: 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23th, 30th

June: 6th, 20th, 27th

July: 11th, 18th, 25th

September: 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

October: 3rd, 10th, 17th

What you can expect from the programme:

If you complete the full course and practice regularly we would hope that you would be able to obtain a handicap of 54 or less on or before completion.

What we expect from you:

You attend the full programme. This course costs students just £220, and is heavily supported by the Club because we want to encourage children to take up golf. We hope successful Woodpecker Academy beginners will eventually join our Junior Section and help to promote golf to peers.

**More details and dates are obtainable from the Club Office
call 01932 343433 ext 6 or email membership@wbgc.co.uk**

DOWNLOAD THE APPLICATION FORM

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**“The best way to see progression and learn course
management is to take them on the golf course where
the great game is played.”**

Jonathan Field, Head Professional



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