

Fulford Golf Club leads the way in women's golf

Fulford Golf Club in York are at the forefront of promoting the game of golf to women and girls. They have a number of initiatives in place that are demonstrating their commitment.

In May 2018 the game's organizing body, the R&A, launched a Women in Golf charter. This is part of the organisation's global drive to increase the number of women and girls participating in golf and to encourage more opportunities for women to work within the golf industry.

From 25 – 28 April 2019 Fulford will host the R&A Under 16 Girls' Amateur Championship for the second year. This is a prestigious international event that attracts entries from the best girl golfers from all over the world. There will be local interest this year with several entries from Yorkshire competitors including two from the host club.

Fulford are also hosting a free 'Girls Golf Rocks' event for girls aged between 5 and 18 years of age so to promote the game to a younger audience. The free taster session will be held at Fulford on the 18th May 2019 between 12pm and 2pm. To register please visit www.girlgolfrocks.org

The Chairman of Fulford, Rick Weights, said: "I am particularly proud that our club has publicly demonstrated our commitment to the promotion of women within the game of golf. For a number of years we have worked towards equality in our club. Our club captains hold joint responsibility, and this year we will have a girl junior captain and girl junior vice-captain. This is something that we take seriously."

Alexandra Bonfield, a junior member said, "I couldn't have asked for a warmer welcome from all the members when I joined Fulford Golf Club two years ago. Since then I have made many friends and I now feel like a real part of the golfing family"

Entry into the U16 Girls' Championship is free to spectators.

Information regarding the R&A Women in Golf Charter can be found at:

<https://www.randa.org/TheRandA/Initiatives/WomenAndGirls/Widgets/WomenInGolfCharter>

Information about the U16 Girls' Championship:

<https://www.randa.org/en/championships/girlsunder16amateurchampionship>

Fulford Golf Club: <http://www.fulfordgolfclub.co.uk/>

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