



31st August 2023

Dear young golfers, dear parents

The Junior Golf Academy will start its 2023/2024 season on Saturday 7th October with an introductory session for children (on the driving range) and parents (in the clubhouse).

As per previous seasons, the Junior Academy continues to be a joint venture between the Malta Golf Association and the Royal Malta Golf Club, with the coaching sessions being led by Henning Schulze Doering – the resident professional at the RMGC. The MGA's role in the Junior Academy is to facilitate and coordinate the coaching and competition sessions. Fees are linked to the RMGC (administrative fee) and the golf professional (coaching fees). More details on this can be found within this document. The first meeting of the season will establish in which group the participants will feature.

The previous coaching structure, with the children split into PAR B, PAR A, BIRDIE, EAGLE and FALCON groups, will be retained. For those new applicants, we advise that at one end, the PAR B group will be available for beginners in the game whilst, at the other extreme, those in the FALCON group would have obtained a WHS Handicap Index enabling them to play competitive golf. The calendar for the year will follow a similar pattern as in previous years and, that is, coaching sessions on Saturday afternoons with a competition scheduled once every month. The dates of the Saturday sessions are also within this document whilst those of Sundays will have to be communicated later once the RMGC Competitions Committee have announced their calendar for the season.

We are also pleased to announce that the golf professional will guide the children through the YMG Golfway Coaching Programme. The programme will be provided in digital format and will enable both the children and their parents to follow the individual's progress throughout the season.

Please note that the Junior Academy is open for children over the age of 6 years*. The application form for the 2023/2024 season is being attached for your completion. **Please have this returned to the RMGC including administration fee by not later than Saturday 30th September.** Applications will be received on first come first served basis with first preference, especially for the Birdie and Eagle groups, to be given for those children who have already frequented the Junior Academy and have progressed in their golf development.

We shall contact you again early in October but, in the meantime, we can be reached at junioracademy@royalmaltagolfclub.com. The juniors' coordinator on behalf of the MGA will be **Mrs Doreen Balzan** who can be reached on this same email address.

William Beck
MGA President

Henning Schulze Doering
PGA of Malta Chairman

*** Henning is arranging special classes for children under this age.
Please communicate directly with him on info@golfinmalta.com for further information.**



FEES STRUCTURE SEASON 2023-2024

ALL GROUPS ADMINISTRATION MEMBERSHIP ANNUAL FEE: € 30.-*

The administration fee is payable to the Royal Malta Golf Club and needs to be settled with the submission of the application form. An application form without this payment will not be processed until the payment is received. The administration fee registers the child with the RMGC which is a requirement for insurance purposes etc. Payments can be made at the RMGC reception desk or else via bank transfer.

Account Name: Royal Malta Golf Club

IBAN: MT13VALL22013000000040017404099

BIC: VALLMTMT

PAR GROUP COACHING & COMPETITION ANNUAL FEE: € 270.-*

The par group is the entry level into the academy. The group's competition is held on the driving range. At the conclusion of this level the participants should be able to use a putter, use a chipping club, swing an iron with balance, understand what it needs to start playing golfing games and apply basic golf rules and etiquette. Golf equipment will be provided to the participants.

BIRDIE GROUP COACHING & COMPETITION ANNUAL FEE: € 360.-*

The birdie group is the next level. The group's competition is held over a measured course of six holes. At the conclusion of this level the participants should be able to demonstrate how to play a golf hole, apply learnt skills in putting, chipping and long shots on both the course and the driving range. They would need to pass a rules and etiquette test. Their ability to play consistently the measured six-hole golf course in 40 shots or better would ensure their progress into the Eagle group.

EAGLE GROUP COACHING & COMPETITION ANNUAL FEE: € 420.-*

The group's competition is held over a measured course of nine holes. At the conclusion of this level the participants should demonstrate an ability to develop pre-shot routines and play different golf strokes without much assistance. They would need to have a deeper understanding on the Rules of golf and show an understanding of different playing and scoring formats. They would need to play the measured nine-hole golf course in 61 shots or better which will effectively mean that they can progress to play competitive golf.

Members of the EAGLE Group can play the course with an accompanying golfer outside the schedule of the Junior Academy. Members of the PAR and BIRDIE groups are discouraged from doing this.

The coaching fees will need to be paid directly to the GolfAcademy Malta and will be due by not later than end October. You will be informed on your child's allocated group once we meet everyone on the 7th October. Fees can be claimed vs income tax returns through the tax rebate scheme for participation in sports.

* These fees do not include Marsa Sports Club fees.

All participants need to be paid up (junior) members of the Marsa Sports Club.



SATURDAY TRAINING SESSIONS

October	7 th , 14 th , 21 st , 28 th
November	4 th , 11 th , 18 th , 25 th
December	2 nd , 9 th , 16 th
January	13 th , 20 th , 27 th
February	3 rd , 10 th , 17 th , 24 th
March	2 nd , 9 th , 16 th , 23 rd
April	6 th , 13 th , 20 th , 27 th
May	4 th , 11 th , 18 th , 25 th
June	1 st , 8 th

GROUP	START	END	DURATION
BIRDIE	13:00	14:00	1 hour
PAR A	14:00	15:00	1 hour
PAR B	15:00	16:00	1 hour
EAGLE	16:00	17:00	1 hour

ALL SESSIONS ARE HELD AT DRIVING RANGE

Additional coaching sessions (not part of the programme fees) available for the par, birdie and eagle groups at different times to the above. Please contact Henning directly on golfpromalta@icloud.com.

The Falcon group will have additional coaching sessions usually on Thursday afternoons.

SUNDAY COMPETITION ROUNDS

October	TO BE ADVISED
November	
December	
January	
February	
March	
April	
May	
June	

ANTICIPATED TIMES

GROUP	HOLES	START	END	DURATION
EAGLE	1 - 9	13:10 *	15:40	2.5 hours
BIRDIE	1 - 6	14:00 *	16:00	2.0 hours
PAR	RANGE	14:00 *	16:30	2.5 hours

* Start of first flight in each category – autumn and winter months.

Actual times will be according to the published draw sheet.

Please do link to the RMGC Website and Facebook pages.