

Talent Days for County academy program

The Leicestershire and Rutland County Golf Partnership hosted the first Annual Talent days to recruit young golfers to the County Academy program that will now run in the county.

Two talent days were hosted, one at Humberstone Heights Golf Club and one at Forest Hill Golf Club. Youngsters took part in a series of challenges to test their hand eye coordination as well as their golfing ability.

Over 100 9-15 year olds will be selected for the county academy program. Academy youngsters will receive a minimum of 18 hours coaching as well as a personalised player profile and regular contact with the academy professionals who will work to ensure they are developing away from the academies as well as during their coaching.

Both days were well attended and everyone who attended reported having an enjoyable time. The talent days were a fantastic chance for the Leicestershire and Rutland County Golf Partnership to meet a large number of Leicestershire and Rutland Golfers and begin to work with them to ensure more people are accessing golf in our county.

The county development officer Pete Thorpe said of the program;

'The development squads are a new and exciting approach to golf coaching and those involved will be involved in a first class program that will work on long term athlete development principles. Those involved will receive help on how to maximise their golf ing ability through technical teachings but importantly they will be taught how to maximise their practice time and self evaluation in order to increase the effectiveness of what they learn and speed up the development process. This is the most exciting thing I have been involved with yet, and I am keen to see just what the County Academy Program can do for Leicestershire and Rutland golf in general.'

The academy squads will be announced in the next two weeks and the plan is for sessions to be running by late October.

For more information contact Pete Thorpe on 07791391283 or you can now follow LRCGP on twitter.







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