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Girls' golf is about to get rocking in Berkshire!



Girls' golf will get rocking in Berkshire when a campaign to inspire new players is launched in April.

Girls Golf Rocks is all about attracting beginners to have fun, learn a new sport, get active and play alongside friends – with no pressure. Girl golfers from the county squad will act as ambassadors, sharing their enjoyment and inspiring the newcomers.

The project tees off with free taster sessions for girls aged five to 18, followed by coaching courses with PGA professionals, together with all-important support from the ambassadors (pictured).

Berkshire is one of six new counties to join the national campaign, run jointly by England Golf and the Golf Foundation with U.S Kids providing equipment for the girls. It aims to increase the number of girl golfers from the average of just two full members per club and it's having a great impact.

When Girls Golf Rocks ran in 15 counties last year over 850 girls had a go and more than 730 enjoyed it so much they went on to take coaching courses.

Girls Golf Rocks will launch in Berkshire with taster sessions at:

- Goring & Streatley Golf Club, Goring – 21 April from 2-4pm
- Mill Ride Golf Club, Ascot – 21 April from 2-4pm
- Sand Martins Golf Club, Wokingham 21 April from 1-3pm
- Reading Golf Club, Reading – 22 April from 2-4pm

Book online at www.girlsgolfrocks.org

Following the tasters, each of the clubs will each offer a five-week coaching course with PGA professionals. Then in June the new players will be invited to a fun day with the ambassadors at Reading Golf Club, featuring multi-skills challenges and the chance to play on a golf course.

Sharron Hargreaves, Berkshire County Junior Organiser commented: "We are absolutely delighted to be involved in this terrific campaign. We'd love to see more girls coming into the sport and join other girls in Berkshire who love playing golf at all levels. So come and meet our ambassadors who will tell you what it's like for them playing in such a fun sport – and we'll be there to help you every step of the way!"

The ambassadors include Freya Burns, aged 16, who plays at Mill Ride Golf Club who has been playing golf since she was 10 years old. "Over the years I have been playing golf I have met some of my closest friends and have been given many amazing opportunities that I wouldn't have had if I didn't play golf. I'd recommend it to anyone," she said.

"So what are you waiting for, book online now and come and learn to play golf in a way that rocks!"

Follow the campaign on Twitter [@GirlsGolfRocks1](https://twitter.com/GirlsGolfRocks1) or [Facebook.com/GirlsGolfRocks](https://www.facebook.com/GirlsGolfRocks)

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The Berkshire Ambassadors

