

Winterborne Valley Croquet Club Youth Scholarship Scheme

Premise:

It is the intention of WVCC to encourage the playing of croquet by local young people. This will benefit the young person in introducing them to a game which other young people have found to be absorbing and skilful. And it will benefit WVCC in introducing young people into the club to secure its future. A win\win situation.

Background:

There is a reduced membership fee of £30pa for members between the ages of 11 and 25 years (a “Junior Member”). There will be training sessions for all new members during the 2020 season as well as training for developing members. WVCC has a Youth Safeguarding Officer and a Safeguarding Policy.

The Scheme:

1. The scheme will be open to any Junior Member who applies for a scholarship by completing an application form available from the Club Secretary which will contain an undertaking to abide by the provisions of the Scheme.
2. A scholarship will last for the then current club financial year.
3. A successful applicant (a “Scholar”) will be rebated £20 of their club membership fee.
4. A Scholar will receive one hour of personal tuition on a monthly basis during the remainder of the playing season and will co-operate in fixing such sessions.
5. A Scholar will be expected to participate in Friendly Matches against other clubs when selected provided they are reasonably available.
6. When a sufficient level of skill is attained a Scholar may be selected for a Club Team and would be expected to play when they are reasonably available.
7. A Scholar may apply for a subsequent scholarship whilst still a Junior Member.
8. The Club Committee shall determine an application for a Scholarship and may delegate that determination to any Committee Member.
9. Any refusal of a Scholarship may not be challenged.
10. In considering an application the Committee/delegated Committee Member may take into account the number and frequency of attendances at the Club by the applicant; the behaviour of the applicant on such occasions; the apparent keenness of the applicant to play croquet and any other matters which they may consider relevant to that determination.
11. A Scholarship may be cancelled if in the opinion of a simple majority of the Committee the Scholar fails to honour the provisions of the Scheme or ceases for any reason to be a member of the Club. For the avoidance of doubt if a Scholarship is cancelled the Scholar will not be required to refund the rebated membership fee.

Details of the Club Secretary are to be found on www.wvcroquet.co.uk