



Dear Golf Club Member,

Since 2007 Junior Golf Ireland has been running an introductory golf programme called 'Girls 'N' Golf' for secondary school girls. The aim of 'Girls 'N' Golf' is to **introduce more girls to golf** and to encourage them to continue to play as golf club members.

The 2010 programme will take place from February to May and involves a link between a golf club with membership vacancies for girls and an interest in recruiting junior girl members, and a nearby secondary school. If this link is successful Junior Golf Ireland will support the project involving the following:

- 10 week taster programme (usually one hour per week)
- Delivered through a 3 way partnership between the school teacher, golf club volunteers and a PGA coach
- All skills will be covered e.g. putting, chipping, long shots, rules & etiquette
- The girls are encouraged to become members at the linked golf club and continue to play golf (membership scholarships can be availed of)

The programme is offered to 1st and/or 2nd year girls (non golfers):

- The group will consist of a maximum of 20 girls
- Coaching takes place immediately after school in a local golf facility
- Each girl pays €25 to Junior Golf Ireland
- Junior Golf Ireland covers all costs including PGA coach, driving range, pitch and putt and bus fees

We ask that the golf club would nominate a member(s) (preferably female) who will coordinate the project on behalf of the club, supervise the sessions and commit to attending a Junior Golf Ireland **training day** on basic golf skills and safety in January 2010.

Click the following link for information on the 2009 programme:

<http://www.juniorgolfireland.com/GirlsinGolf.html>

Is your club interested? If so please **contact** the 'Girls 'N' Golf' coordinator Niamh Kitching at nkitching@juniorgolfireland.com or 087 6373767. Please provide any details of local secondary schools with female pupils.

