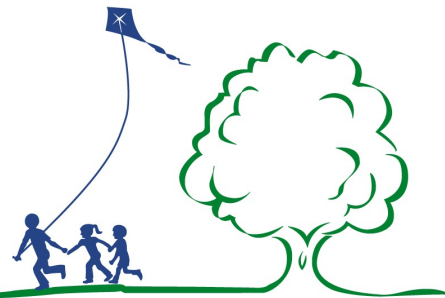


# Warley Woods Community Trust



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## Press Release

### Free Golf Lessons for Sandwell Youngsters at Warley Woods

Warley Woods Community Trust is very pleased to be able to announce that we have been given three grants by Sandwell organisations to enable us to run a golf summer school at Warley Woods. We will be offering free golf lessons to young people from Sandwell during the Summer holidays.

Any young person who is assessed as ready to play on the golf course at the end of the Summer will be given a pass to allow them to play for free on the course for three months. We are really pleased to be able to offer this free activity and we hope it will encourage many young people to try golf for the first time. Golf is often seen as an elitist and expensive sport, but we would like to help overcome this perception as young people are very welcome to play at Warley Woods and our green fees are kept as low as we can and we are the cheapest place to play in the West Midlands!

Funding for tuition and new golf nets came from Sandwell MBC's Play is Making a Difference grant programme and the clubs that will be used were funded by Smethwick Town Committee and Sandwell PCT.

Lessons will be taught by PGA qualified professional Stuart Mathews at Warley Woods, Lightwoods Hill, Smethwick B67 5ED. All clubs and equipment will be provided.

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July - Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August

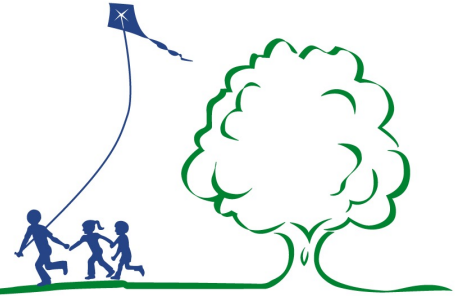
There were be lessons for three different age groups on each of these days

Sharon Simpson, Golf Development Manager at Warley Woods said “We are really pleased that we are able to offer this opportunity for young people from Sandwell. Warley Woods is a community facility and all are welcome. We hope this Summer School will introduce more young people to golf and help them develop their skills, giving them a new active hobby for life.”

Places are limited within each session and so we would advise young people to book into the lessons that they would like to attend to avoid disappointment on the day. The golf shop can be reached on 0121 429 2440.

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## -Notes

- For further information contact: Viv Cole, Trust Manager, 0121 420 1061, 07947 805746, [trustmanager@warleywoods.org.uk](mailto:trustmanager@warleywoods.org.uk)
- Warley Woods Community Trust (WWCT) is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee. WWCT is the only charity in the United Kingdom to have taken responsibility for an urban park. The organisation was formed to take action, following the long term neglect of the park by Birmingham City Council and to ensure local people had a say in what happened to their park.
- The park is leased to Sandwell MBC for 99 years and has been subleased to WWCT for the same period of time.
- It is managed by a Board of Trustees which is made up of local people. The Trust's membership now numbers around 850 individuals and there are over 160 active volunteers.
- The Park was named the People's Park after it was saved from becoming sold for housing by public subscription in 1906.