

Golf Foundation

The Suffolk grand final was held at Felixstowe Ferry Golf Club, supported by a highly enthusiastic group of parents, some of whom were volunteering. Trevor Mason, Chair of Suffolk Junior Golf, was present to help and he commented on how the county U12 and U14 squads had benefited from youngsters playing in GolfSixes League. The Golf Foundation's Katie Moggan was in charge of the final and noted how the scoring of the players was some of the highest that she had seen in three years of growing the programme, as each team has been supported from the start by their club PGA Professional coaches, who are at the heart of every GolfSixes League.

The event finished with great cheer but also emotional warmth in the clubhouse, as the winning team was presented with a glass claret jug, the Roger Wright Trophy, which has become symbolic of the support behind GolfSixes League and county juniors from the Suffolk Golf Union and the Suffolk Ladies County Golf Association.

Golf Foundation Chief Executive Brendon Pyle said: "This Suffolk final has been inspiring in every sense, it has been fabulous to see just how much the young players were enjoying competing together in GolfSixes League, something that is a common feature of all our leagues nationally.

"There was some fantastic support from parents at all GolfSixes League venues we have been struck by how many families support their children and enjoy the time together on their Sunday afternoon on the golf course. It was also good to see so many girls competing in our mixed format, while all present really appreciated the fantastic welcome we received from everyone at Felixstowe Ferry Golf Club.

"We designed GolfSixes League to emulate the excitement of the Solheim and Ryder Cups, where youngsters new to golf can play in fun and friendly team formats at a grass roots level. We're highly grateful to The R&A and the home nations of England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland for their support."

Brendon added: "In our case here in Suffolk, a big thanks also to Suffolk Golf Union for their additional investment to generate two extra leagues in the area. This was a brilliant gesture to support the new young players who are of course the future of our game."