

## CLCGA SECRETARIES REPORT AGM 2020

I think we can all agree that we have never had a year like 2020. It showed so much promise with good entries to county competitions. As you all know the CCGA took the decision early to cancel our competitions in the interest of safety for the membership.

The CLCGA committee held a number of online meetings and made appropriate decisions as the year went on. One of these decisions was that we were not going to proceed further with the plans for merger with the CGU. Both sides entered the process with high hopes but the negotiations stalled and it seemed that the initial enthusiasm on both sides had dwindled away and so the CLCGA committee took the decision to call a halt. This process had been going on for 5 years and very little progress being achieved. We did a meeting with an England Golf representative who said that it is not for everyone and we also came to that decision. Maybe at a date in the future it could be addressed again.

I have been kept busy with enquiries. I had hoped to step down this year but as no one has come forward to take on the role I am going to stay on for another year. I REALLY want to step down after that so please can someone consider taking up the role. I have enjoyed working with Vicki Stevenson our County Captain. She has worked very hard to fulfil the role and I hope she enjoys her retirement. I look forward to working with Wendy Briggs. Jacquie Lang has worked very efficiently to organise your competitions for the last 3 years and I have been lucky enough to have attended most of the competitions with her. She didn't need my help but it gave her a chance to eat in peace and gave me the opportunity to meet all those ladies playing. I have missed that contact this year. I am sure that Di Harmer is going to take up the mantle and run with it. I look forward to working another year with Jill our President, Mo, the treasurer and Di our Handicap Advisor, and Bridget Moody who took on the Welfare/Safeguarding officer role last year and has proved herself an excellent choice. The deadline for clubs to achieve Safe Golf status has been extended to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. This is something your clubs all have to achieve to be affiliated to England Golf. Bridget can point you in the right direction with this but it is down to the Clubs to comply.

I am looking forward to being able to get back to some form of normalcy next year whatever that is. Fingers crossed obviously.

It is going to be a different Christmas but I hope you all enjoy it and are able to play more golf next year.

Jenny Potter

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