

DEVON COUNTY VETERAN LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION

“MATTERS OF INTEREST” from

VIRTUAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 11 JANUARY 2021

(Annual General Meeting scheduled for 11 January 2021 could not be held due to Covid restrictions)

2020 Officers' Reports will be on the DCVLGA website (see below)

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2021:-

CAPTAIN	RICKIE PAWSEY (Stover)
VICE CAPTAIN	SUE RITCHIE (Honiton)
COMPETITION SECRETARY	BARBARA CUMMINGS (Axe Cliff)

VACANCIES:- Volunteers are needed to fill the roles of Treasurer and Representatives for both the North and South Areas.

Due to Covid restrictions:

INTER-CLUB KNOCKOUT deadline for entry has been extended to 1st April with drawn matches to start in May – Finals still as scheduled for 13th September. (Lady Captains are able to nominate their players for this competition as a Club Qualifier is not necessary)

and

SPRING MEETING scheduled for 19 April at Stover has been cancelled, but it is hoped that it may be replaced by an **AUTUMN MEETING** to be played in early October.

Updates on all Competitions will be on the DCVLGA website

Devon County Veteran Ladies Golf Association

Outgoing Captains Report 11.01.21

Well that was the year that wasn't. I am so pleased to report we didn't lose one match this year – this must be a first! Can't think why we didn't win one either.

However as always there are many to thank for all of the work that has continued behind the scenes. This year made more difficult by everyone working remotely.

Thank You to my Vice Captain Rickie who I remotely hand over the badge of office to today. I wish you every success next year and all being well I look forward to seeing you soon.

Thank you to Lis, our secretary who continues to organise our meetings agendas and minutes with such aplomb.

Thank You to Lynda our Treasurer whose term of office comes to a close this year when she is able to hand over the reins. On behalf of DCVLGA I have purchased a 'Jo Downs Glass design gift voucher' as a thank you for all of your hard work over the last three years.

Thank you to Sue Ritchie our Competition Secretary whose term of office also comes to a close this year and on behalf of DCVLGA I have purchased a rechargeable hand warmer as a thank you for all of your hard work of the last three years and good luck for the coming year as Rickie's Vice Captain.

Thanks to the rest of the committee for communicating information to the clubs. A quick reminder we are now recruiting replacements for the North Devon and East Devon Reps.

My charity would have been the Royal National Lifeboats Institution. I decided to put aside my personal expenses claimed for the events held at the end of last year, travelling to and from meetings, outgoing gifts last year and this year etc. These contributed to a £200.00 donation I sent to RNLI.

Thinking of the coming year

Thankfully early on we made the decision that it would best to cancel events and prepare for this coming year in the hope that things will improve and get back to normal. Fingers crossed! Thank You to Competition Secretary Sue Ritchie for organising the events for next year and Lynda for preparing the accounts ready for auditing.

We have held over the fees paid last year and only new people will need to pay a fee this coming year. We have not been able to get the accounts audited yet or arrange for changes to the signatories. This will be done as soon as possible.

The new dates for competitions have been posted on the internet. Unfortunately at the last moment we had to delay putting entry forms on the website as the proposed competition secretary had a change of heart four days before Christmas! With all the ongoing uncertainty we decided to wait until the 1st February 2021 to put the entry forms on the internet.

And stop press news thank you to past DCVLGA Captain Barbara Cummings who has agreed to become Competition Secretary for this year being shadowed by Caroline Bond to take over the following year.

Happy Golfing next year ladies, keep safe, keep well.

Steph Long

2020 DCVLGA Captain

Incoming Captains Report 11.01.21

Though I regard it as an honour, it is with no little trepidation that I take on the Captaincy of the DCVLGA in this second year of Covid.

Steph has had no chance to show what a capable captain she would have been, but she has managed to keep focused on the Admin. without being able to play. Many thanks for your helpful advice when asked and I hope we can actually play together this year.

No one needs telling these are difficult times. Now is a particularly dark hour but we hope that the light at the end of the tunnel has finally been turned on. The arrival of the vaccine should help life get back to some semblance of normality, but we still don't know when we can get back to playing inter-club golf.

There is talk that we may be locked down until Easter, which puts the Spring meeting at risk. I haven't tried to organise a match against the Juniors because it is usually played early in the year, but I hope we can organise something for later.

It would be great to be able to go forward with our planned events and we will endeavour to keep you informed about what is or isn't happening as soon as we know.

Meanwhile keep safe and keep practising.

Rickie Pawsey

2021 DCVLGA Captain

Outgoing Treasurer's Report 11.01.21

A strange year for us all which has resulted in the accounts not having been audited this year as yet. The closing balance on the accounts is £7675.33.

There are a few things which I would like to bring to your attention:-

- During the year we had a total of 1020 members, across 35 clubs, again fewer members than the 1042 of the previous year, hopefully this worrying trend will not continue.
- The Lady Captain's Charity collection suffered with all competitions cancelled this year. However, due to Steph's generosity in donation all of her expenses to her charity, and the addition of a payment made by the bank to us for an error on their part, a cheque for £200 is being sent to the RNLI.
- As no competitions were run this year, all memberships were rolled over to 2021. There have been some queries re refunds for members who had paid but no longer wish to be members. It was agreed that there would be no refunds, nor transferring of membership fee from a resigned member to a new member.

I had forwarded all of the electronic files to the incoming Treasurer who was due to take over as this month. Unfortunately, due to ill health, she is not currently able to take on this role, and indeed may not be able to take it on in the future. I have agreed in the short term therefore to continue in the role, but request that the post is re-advertised as a matter of urgency as I am now Lady Vice-Captain of my own club and will be unable to perform the role alongside my Captaincy which starts in November 2021.

Lynda Perkins

2020 DCVLGA Treasurer