

Dear All

Firstly, I hope everyone is keeping well during these difficult times and I am sure pleased to be able to play golf again, albeit socially and with restrictions.

The executive committee met via zoom yesterday to discuss ahead, not an easy task! As you know we cancelled all competitions to the end of June and we have decided that sadly the County Shield will also now not take place on July 16 at Huntercombe. (Carolyn, Trish will be contacting the Club to inform them). EG are hoping they will be able to run events from the end of July, but this is obviously subject to the situation. Because county week was cancelled EG have devised a new format for all Counties to compete in a county "finals" at Spalding GC September 14-18. Oxfordshire will be sending a team if it can proceed and we feel happy with the safety of our players.

The Autumn 3-ball Alliance at Tadmarton is still in the calendar, we are obviously dependant on Clubs wanting us and so a case of "watch this space", but hopefully we can run one event.

Heather and the junior committee have seen their coaching/fixtures cancelled but are hoping they may proceed with some at the end of July onwards. As you will have seen on the website just before lockdown our team had a fantastic win at the BB&O Team Stableford at Oakland Park.

Our EG Rep Elinor has had numerous on- line meetings and EG have kept members informed, do go on their website and subscribe to their newsletters and you will receive updates from them directly.

They are keeping the November date for the WHS to come into effect, interesting times ahead!

The senior friendly/league fixtures have been sadly lost, Sally hopes the 10 counties event may take place late September. Sue and Gill have agreed to run the friendly fixtures next year, so grateful for their support and as you know the county cannot function without volunteers. I have had to take on the role of Secretary this year, next year we will have more roles to fill, if we cannot fill these there will be no OLCGA.

As you all know Carole Lee works tirelessly for the county juniors and has taken on the role of organizing the fixtures for us, she had arranged some dates before lockdown so please pencil in the following. Bronze Championship May 5 at Drayton Park, County Championships/Mid Silver Q May 20, County Championship/Mid Silver/Bronze quarter, semi and finals May 22,23 at Badgemore Park, County Shield July 20 at Cotswold Club and Ann Starkey semi/final August 26 at The Springs. We realise how difficult it has been for Golf Clubs of late and really appreciate their support of county events, hopefully these dates will stand and we can sort out the other events now the Clubs are up and running again.

I will keep in touch via email, meetings still on hold, but do contact me if you have any queries, suggestions etc and as we are told, stay safe, stay alert, but most of all enjoy the privilege of being members of a golf club so you can enjoy being involved in one of the first sports to be allowed back!

All the best

Maggie

President OLCGA