



BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION

CLOSING ADDRESS BY INCOMING COUNTY CAPTAIN – JANET BEAL

Now I would normally give my closing address and tell you all about the exciting events we have planned for next year.

However, I just don't know what we will be doing.

We have plans for various events, but these are all dependent on Covid and any regulations that may be in place.

So, here is what I hope we will be doing next year...

The very popular Seniors Meetings are already in the diary. The Spring Meeting is at Buckingham on 27th April and the Autumn Meeting at The South Buckinghamshire on 8th October. These are great events, teams of 3 and are open to all ladies aged 50 and over.

The Summer Meeting will be at Oakland Park on 16th July and will be hosted by our President Lynda Hilton. Again, this will be a team event, open to all ladies. Oakland Park always provides a great welcome to BCLGA events, so this should be a great day.

We also plan to run a ladies Par 3 competition. The juniors have enjoyed their par 3 so much over the years that Gail decided to run a competition for the ladies, and I would like to make this happen next year.

BCLGA is there for ALL our county members, not just the elite players and the juniors, and I want to make sure that you all feel included. The competitions I have just mentioned are open to all, as are the winter and summer knockout, so please encourage the ladies at your clubs to enter and enjoy our events.

For those of you who like to watch elite golf, we are delighted to say that the English Women's County Finals will be held at Denham Golf Club from 17th to 19th September. This is a national inter county competition, with the winning counties from each of the regional County Match Weeks taking part. It will be a fabulous exhibition of top amateur ladies' golf, so please come and watch if you are able.

Buckinghamshire are playing in the regional County Match Week at Northampton from 21st -23rd June, and if we win, we will be playing at Denham. We've won CMW for the last 6 years, so no pressure.....

We have our first Delegates Meeting on 30th November, which will be a zoom webinar with Christine Bishop running a session on WHS. We will all have had four weeks experience of the new system, and I'm sure you will all have lots of questions for Christine.

The usual trifold with all the 2021 events will be published in January, a little later than normal this year, once we have most of the events in the diary.

We had arranged the County Lunch on 3rd March at Beaconsfield but are now looking to reschedule later in the year, so watch this space for more details.

The Vice Captains meeting, which is normally held in April, is a chance for all the new Vice Captains to meet, so we will postpone this until we are actually able to get together in person, so please wait for a date to be published.

I hope to meet as many ladies as possible during my two years as county captain. I'm very good at presenting prizes and acting as a starter for competitions, so if you need someone just ask and I'll put on my red shirt or jacket and come and help.

Finally, my charity for the next two years is Carers Bucks. Carers Bucks is a charity which supports unpaid carers in Buckinghamshire. They support people who are caring for a family member or friend who cannot manage without them due to illness, disability or a mental health condition. They provide support to carers aged 6 - 96+ in a variety of ways including regular support groups, information and advice, one to one support, events and activities, and school support. We will put more details about Carers Bucks on our web site.

Thank you all for attending the AGM. Hopefully we will be able to meet face to face next year.

Janet Beal

BCLGA County Captain

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