

## **Secretary's Report 2020**

This is my first report as your new County Secretary and what a year to take it over! Due to the current unfortunate circumstances imposed (COVID-19) not a lot has taken place. Clubs have suffered hard times, but those that were fortunate to open have complied with the restrictions imposed and enjoyed their season.

It has been hard for family and friends who have lost loved ones during this epidemic and unfortunately, we have not been able to celebrate their lives, together, but we do remember their friendship and the joy they gave.

My thanks must go out in admiration of the hard work carried out by our roots (the clubs). Without them we would not survive, regrettably we have lost a few of our clubs this year, but I would like to wish the players many years of bowls, fun and friendship at their new chosen clubs.

It was with great sadness that we were not able to hold our County Competitions this year and celebrate any achievements at Leamington. I am sure you have all missed the competitive and social comradeship this provides.

Our congratulations must go to Sian Honor being selected for the 2022 Commonwealth games squad, and we wish her great success. Wendy King was also appointed as Assistant Manager.

International selection for 2020 series was Sian Honor, Wendy King and Amy Banes was selected in the reserve pool, obviously not held due to COVID-19

Congratulations must also go to Sandy Hazell who was appointed Southern Regional Selector (Bowls England).

At the start of this year, we had a full Presidential party as they all agreed to stand for the 2021 season. Unfortunately, we have since lost our President Ellen and Senior Vice President Rhiannon. Violet has agreed to step up to Senior Vice President so we are looking for a Junior Vice President, any volunteers?

The Executive Committee have also agreed to continue for the 2021 season. I wish to thank the Executive Officers for their help, guidance and patience whilst I'm learning this new role, and for the wonderful hard work they do for our great County.

Well, what a year (what year). We have not been able to meet each other on or off the green, as we would have liked, hopefully all will change this year for the better.

May I wish every member and our great Association every success for the coming year. Good Health, Happiness and of course good bowling, whenever that may be.

Diane Sekjer  
Secretary 2020