

I feel extremely honoured and am exceptionally proud to have been elected Captain of Elgin Golf Club. I intend to relish every minute of my tenure, but do not underestimate the significance of the position and the challenges that lie ahead. However, I know that I can rely upon support of Barbara-Anne, our first-class Club Manager, and a strong, cohesive Club Council.

For those of you who don't know me, I am a farmer's daughter from North-West Wales and first came to Moray in 1981 to teach at Gordonstoun. It was during the four years at the School that I first swung a club, on the Hopeman course. I was commissioned into the RAF in 1986 and retired 28 years later as a group captain. During my two years as a station executive at Royal Air Force Lossiemouth, from 2004 to 2006, I was a member of the Moray Golf Club.

Returning to Moray, with its fabulous golf courses, was always on Gerry and my agenda. So, in 2013 while still working overseas but with retirement on the horizon, I joined Elgin Golf Club. Instantly enjoying the warm and vibrant welcome and wishing to use my senior management experience for the benefit of the community, I volunteered to serve on the Club's Council. Many of you will be aware that I have since completed three years as the Club's Green Convener followed by two years as Club Vice-Captain. Amongst other things, I am also a member of Elgin Rotary and a Community Councillor at Lossiemouth.