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Press Release

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The English Women's Golf Association and the English Golf Union have agreed to re-open talks about the possibility of a merger between the two organisations.

Representatives of the two governing bodies of English amateur golf will discuss the way forward at an informal meeting early in the New Year.

Sue Whittaker, who chairs the EWGA management board, said: "I am pleased the Boards of our two organisations have agreed to re-open discussions about a potential merger.

"The EWGA and the EGU already work together through their joint development team and their membership of the England Golf Partnership. It is sensible to explore ways in which we might move towards a merger."

One of the first tasks of the merger working party will be to create a communications system to ensure all members of both organisations are kept informed on the progress of the talks.

The EWGA represents about 120,000 women and girl members of about 1780 golf clubs. The EGU has about 740,000 members in 1900 golf clubs.

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On the 31 December 2007 the English Ladies' Golf Association, an unincorporated body, was dissolved and the property, contracts, assets (including intellectual property rights and goodwill) and liabilities of the Association were transferred to a Company Limited by Guarantee, registration number 6431498, known as the English Women's Golf Association.

The English Women's Golf Association is the governing body for female amateur golf in England.

EWGA represents over 127,000 members in more than 1780 golf clubs, trains the country's elite golfers, runs a full rota of national championships as well as events for handicap golfers, and actively encourages new golfers.

EWGA has formed the England Golf Partnership with the English Golf Union and the Professionals Golfers' Association. Their Whole Sport Plan, supported by Sport England, aims to make England the world's leading golf nation by 2020.

The association also has a charity, The ELGA Trust, which supports schemes to introduce girls to golf and helps promising players.

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