



23rd February 2011

The Secretary,
The Croquet Association,
Cheltenham Croquet Club,
Old Bath Road,
Cheltenham,
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Dear Ian,

C.A. Diploma

On behalf of the Committee of the E.A.C.F. and after 27 years of unbroken service to croquet in the Eastern Region I am writing to nominate George Collin of the Wrest Park Croquet Club for the award of the C.A. Diploma.

It was during November 1985 that George became a member of the Steering Group that was set up to form the East Anglian Croquet Federation and after being instrumental in drawing up the Federations Constitution was duly elected Treasurer at the inaugural meeting in March 1986, a post that he has held to this present day. Since that date there have been 80 meetings at which George has only missed one, a considerable achievement. In addition, George through careful and diligent management has nurtured the Federation accounts and it is due to his considerable efforts that they are in a healthy state at the present time.

In addition to his work for the East Anglian Federation George has also been a long-serving member of the Wrest Park Committee for many years as Groundsman. Although he does not do the mowing himself, he organises the annual scarifying, fertiliser application and marking out and re-positioning of hoops for tournaments, and liases with English Heritage ground staff to arrange spraying for weed control. George also acts as Referee of the Tournament at most Wrest Park events, where, when not in play, he can often be seen teasing out lesser Trefoil with a cheese knife.

After many years of service George will be standing down at the Federation's next A.G.M. and future meetings will not be the same without his laid back approach and dry sense of humour.

Terrey Sparks
Secretary