Get Set For St Andrews!

The organising committee of Walter Woods, John Wilson, James Neilson, Chris Kennedy, Joe McKean, Scott Forrest and James Kidd has arranged a full programme for the 5th International Golf Tournament and Conference for Greenkeepers and Superintendents at St Andrews from October 6-9.

The events start on Sunday with registration at the Russacks Marine Hotel and an evening reception. Monday's practice for the international teams — SIGGA, EIGGA, the BGGA, GCSAA, CGSA, the International Greenkeepers' Association will be represented — an afternoon Stableford and an evening Haggis and Neeps Supper Dance.

Tuesday is conference day, with papers from David Jones, Russell Brown, Gordon Childs, Nick Park, Rolf Lowgren, the Canadian Golf Superintendents' Association and the US Green Section, followed by a modern dance night. And the ladies haven't been forgotten — a full day's tour to Glamis Castle sets off at 9.30am.

Wednesday is the big one as far as golf is concerned! The 36-hole Ransomes International Greenkeepers and Superintendents Team Golf Tournament will culminate with a flags lowering ceremony to a pipe band and team presentations. Ransomes invitation-only banquet includes the prize-giving ceremony.

An application form is included in this issue and full details can be obtained from Joe McKean on 041-427 4242.

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WE LIKE to think our picture says something about this young lady's intelligence, rather than the magazine's content! Four-month-old Lorna Paterson looks set to follow in dad's footsteps. Scott Paterson is a member of SIGGA's West section.

"I look forward to reading Greenkeeper every month, but lately I've been forced to wait a couple of days before Lorna releases my copy," Scott said. "She snatches the magazine from my hands the moment I pick it up and she can't wait for the next edition. Neither can I — if I can get hold of it!"

Obituary — Bob Scott

After a short illness, Bob Scott died recently in an Aberdeen hospital.

Bob was the quietest of men, who began his working career as an apprentice blacksmith in the family business, but later, having been born and brought up in the mining district of Lanarkshire, he worked down the pit.

During this period, he played golf to relax and helped out on a nine-hole golf course at Rigside. He was a scratch player at the age of eighteen, and held that standard for some 30 years.

His love of the game inspired Bob to become a greenkeeper. He subsequently became the complete pro, with a career spanning 25 years at Rigside, Arbroath, Drumpellor, Hilton Park and, and for his last 15 years, Murcar Golf Club in Aberdeen.

To his wife Jean, daughter and son Tom, who is carrying on the family tradition in the bowling green contractual field, we tender our deepest sympathy, but express our appreciation for the time Bob always found for the younger members of the profession.

James Kidd, Estates Manager, Gleneagles Hotel & Golf Courses.

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