

## People, Places, Products

The annual Parker tournament for greenkeepers was staged at Cuddington (Banstead) GC, Surrey and attended by representatives of 70 golf clubs.

Company chairman George Parker and his wife presented the prizes to: 1st (Parker Bowl) Stuart McMillan, Leatherhead, with 44 points; 2nd Martin Smith, Porters Park; 3rd Ian Smith, Cuddington; 4th Roger Glazier, Cuddington; 5th Derek Gould, Langley Park and 6th Neville Shade, Foxhills.

Parkers would like to thank David Scott, club secretary, for his help in organising the event and Hugh Riggins, head greenkeeper, and his staff for a course in top condition.

The British Turf Irrigation Association has produced an A5 booklet entitled *Your Guide To The British Turf Irrigation Association* to help clients understand fully golf course irrigation systems offered by BTIA members and the arrangements for installation.

The booklet also encourages customers to consult with the association's independent secretary to help remove any cause of dissatisfaction.

The guide will be distributed by association members with tenders and similar documents. It is also available free on request, with a list of BTIA members, from The Secretary, BTIA, 3 Ferrands Park Way, Harden, Bingley, West Yorkshire, BD16 1HZ.

Tufturf tee mats by Carpetation were introduced in August 1985 and after ten months sales had topped 500, with customers in the UK, as well as France, Holland and Switzerland.

PGA pro and leading teacher John Stirling recommended Tufturf tee mats for the National Sports Centre, Lilleshall and at the Mere Golf and Country Club, Cheshire, 48sq m of practice driving tee, consisting of a concrete base covered with 4 x 2m x 1m tee



Stuart McMillan with Mr and Mrs George Parker.

mats and 40sq m of Tufturf Multisport Surface Material, have been built.

It is possible to build entire tees

with Tufturf, offering obvious labour savings and reductions in installation costs.



A building of modern design for the STRI establishment.

Many distinguished guests witnessed the opening of the new main offices and laboratories of the Sports Turf Research Institute by John Smith, chairman of the Sports Council. The STRI has occupied parts of the Mansion House within the St Ives Estate at Bingley since its inception in 1929. A decision, taken some time ago by the district council, to rehouse the institute resulted in the purpose-designed building within the former walled garden of the estate. STRI research staff will continue to occupy the separate coach house block, as well as the soil physics laboratory, which plays an important role in the drainage and construction consultancy service.