Who and what are moving on and moving in, in the greenkeeping industry

• Jimmy Richardson wrote telling of young Michael Gunn's lucky escape following an incident at Tynesside GC. Michael was cutting grass on the 15th fairway when his tractor somersaulted three times down a 30ft ravine before coming to a halt and catapulting him clear. Michael's father, club professional Mac Gunn, on talking of Michael's injuries to his neck and stomach, said: 'He is lucky to be alive. The tractor could easily have fallen upon him'.

• Ian Corcoran, pictured, Assistant Greenkeeper, Market Drayton GC, will play in the 36 hole strokeplay Dunhill Amateur Masters at Woburn on September 6th. This after placing first in the regional finals held at Tytherington GC. He beat last year's Champion, Ian Pethybridge, by one shot.

• Scottish BIGGA Chairman, Harry Diamond, who is also head greenkeeper at Belleisle and Seafield GC, had a dodgy start to his day recently when vandals decided to make an unscheduled visit and set fire to the starters box. It was razed to the ground.

• Despite forbidding weather forecasts which happily proved wrong, nearly 100 head greenkeepers attended two Sta-Brite golf days in June, the first held on a blustery but dry day at Calcot Park GC, the second at Mid Kent GC, Gravesend. At both events a great day's golf was followed by a splendid dinner, with prizes presented by Mike Fabb, General Manager of Sta-Brite. Pictured: Mid Kent winners, from left, Richard Pride, Willie McConvilie (winner) Ron Christie (third) Mike Smith (runner-up) and George Barr (longest drive).

• Gordon Moir, the Sherlock Holmes of Fraserburgh, wrote telling a sad tale concerning Derek Ray, head greenkeeper at Nairn Dunbar, who – wait for it – broke his leg playing cricket! I wonder, do we send Derek a get-well card or a contribution toward psychiatric guidance?

• From the East Midlands, via Walter Cole of Longcliffe GC, have appointed Andrew Mitchell to their sales team to promote their range of container grown trees. Andrew was formerly with the Crown Estates Commissioners at Windsor and Notcutts Garden Centres.

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• Steven English has been appointed UK Sales Manager – Tyres, for Trelleborg Ltd. He will be responsible for the market development of Trelleborg Low Ground Pressure tyres used in the sportsturf industry.

• The firmly established Annual Parkers Greenkeepers Tournament was staged recently at Cuddington GC, with 68 Golf Clubs represented. The coveted Parkers Rose Bowl was won by Eric Green, Woodcote Park GC, with 35 points, followed by Stuart McMillan, Leatherhead GC, with 34 points. Pictured: far right, Mr Jim Parker; centre, Mrs Yvonne Montague, far left, Peter Simpson, and the winners.

• Hawtree, the golf course architecture practice responsible for more than 600 projects world-wide, will celebrate their 80th birthday in style next year with their first Indian course, a newly commissioned 27 hole layout in New Delhi. India was the first country outside Great Britain to be introduced to the game, the first Club being established in 1829, and it is hoped that this course will mark a revival of golf in a country with a great golfing tradition.

• Excavation at Chirk Golf and Country Club, near Oswestry, meant digging out a huge rock weighing in at 35 tons, a back-breaking task. Pictured with course manager Alan Sharp (left) are Roy Thelwell, Patrick Anderson, George Griffiths, Richard Taylor, Haydn Jones, Sidney Woods, Barry Roberts and Mike Turner. Now where exactly did you bury Alan's car lads?