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

Four members of the staff of SISIS Equipment Ltd complete 25 years service with the Company in 1991. Pictured are Lynn Hilton; George Hobbs; Dennis Bayley and Eric Burgess with directors R A Hargreaves; J W Hargreaves and A Harrison, plus production manager J D Arnold, who himself completed 25 years in 1989. The total service of these eight amounts to 206 years – an enviable record!

Kevin Munt is leaving John Jacobs Golf Associates to join Kajima Engineering Europe, as Manager of their Golf Course Management division. Links with Jacobs will however continue, for the current Colne Valley development at Denham, owned by Kajima, is a John Jacobs design. Given the acclaim this layout has received, no doubt other designs for Kajima will follow from him in future.

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Maurice Rodgers (pictured) has declared his golf clubs off limits but took fishing rods on honeymoon instead. My guess is that Anne-Marie is rather pleased, especially when they have to pack away the 8lbs 13ozs that are David Michael, a son to Ashburnham's Mike and Pam Wilson. The best wishes of BIGGA's South Wales section goes to them all.

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