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

- Our spy network increases with each passing issue, the latest whisper coming from Andrew Phillips of the London Section, who tells us that Chris Greenwood, latterly at Muswell Hill GC, is now busy in La Belle France at the prestigious Chantilly course. Echoing Andrew and his section colleagues, we join in wishing Chris a smooth and prosperous new career.

- A new golfer has recently come upon the scene, one Phillip Kent, of the T Parker & Sons (Turf Management) Ltd announce two new key sales appointments. Michael Luker, pictured, has recently joined the company as Sales Director and will be responsible for the overall development of new business as well as consolidating the existing customer base in southern England. Graham Paul has also joined Parkers as Area Sales and Technical manager for Bucks, Berks, Oxon and Beds. Graham is well known in the industry, having spent twenty years with Rhone-Poulenc, involved in all aspects of the development and marketing of pesticides.

- Stuart Ellis has been appointed to the post of National Sales Manager – Tractors and Power Products – at Kubota (UK) Ltd, headquartered. Prior to joining Kubota Stuart worked both as a demonstrator and in sales at Kubota's dealership, J Gibbs Ltd.

- A somewhat historic gathering took place at St Andrews recently, when a progress meeting was held at The Strathclyrm, the first new 18 hole golf course to be built at this ancient capital of golf in several decades. In our picture are ex BIGGA Chairman and Links Manager; Walter Woods, Secretary of the Links Management Committee; Alec Beveridge, Course Constructor; Brian Pierson and Architect; Donald Steel, together with members of Links Management Trust. The construction is expected to be completed by the end of July.

- Equally historic in its own way is the decision of Maclesfield GC to construct a further nine holes on their craggy hillside course high above the town. The new nine is designed by Hawtree & Son, with construction handled by Fine Turf Construction and the Club itself, under the direction of course manager Larry Murdock. The land is no easy piece of real estate, most having previously been grazing land and with a high predominance of rocky sub-strata. More power to them then for their foresight in providing extra playing facilities for the good citizens of Maclesfield and in doing much of the hard labour themselves.

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- Lambethurst GC head greenkeeper, Allen Butrymowicz, is pictured taking delivery of the first sale in Kent of a Huxley 358 Greensmower. The sale was made by the newly appointed Kent/East Sussex agents for Huxleys, Lambethurst Equipment Ltd.

- In a nationwide scheme which raised £72000, over 100 Clubs collected and donated over £200 to the Golf Foundation's Appeal and thus qualified for entry into the third annual Kubota Draw. The fortunate winners of the Kubota G1900S ride-on mower worth £5000 were Warpleston GC. The Club Captain, Brigadier PJ Blake MBE, MC, is pictured below shaking the hand of Kubota's Vice President, Brian Hurtley.

- Chris Bryden, Product Manager of the Grass Machinery Division of Ferrag Ltd, is seen here presenting Les Purdy of Purdy's Garden Machinery with his prize as top Warrior Mower dealer. Ferrag have also appointed six more distributors: Nairn Brown Ltd; K F Farby Ltd; R.F.E.; Jamman Engineering Services; CNS Mowers and Golf & Turf Equipment Ltd., bringing the network for Ferrag Warrior up to 25.

- Along with this the IOG have also elected Ian Beaney as their new Vice Chairman. Ian, pictured, has a long association with the Institute, having served as branch secretary from 1985 – 1988 and on the National Executive Committee in 1987, 1988 and 1990. His appointment brings his Northern Ireland home branch into the forefront of Institution activities.

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**Irish Regional Iseki Qualifiers**

With the 1991 ISEKI Golf Greenkeepers Tournament now under way, it should be mentioned that this will be the fourth year of the Tournament, demonstrating Iseki's full commitment to the friendly, knowledgeable greenkeeper. From the beginnings at St. Pierre in 1988, we progressed to Portstewart Golf Club having been held in May. For the 1991 finals, the IOG have appointed Alex R Millar as its new National Chairman. Alex, pictured, has been a member of IOG for 27 years, a founder member of the Glasgow and West Scotland Branch, and involved at national level for the past five years. He is a member of the National Executive Committee; Education Committee and Structure Committee and brings to his new post a very wide experience of management and training.

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