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Keeping in touch with news and comment from the regions

**COMING UP**

**April 8th:** BIGGA Annual General Meeting, Royal York Hotel (immediately adjacent to York Railway Station), York. Commencing at 2.30pm.

**April 29th:** BIGGA South West and Wales Region Trade Show WESTURF ’92 – Long Ashton GC, Bristol.

**June 3rd-4th:** Landscape Industries ’92. Trade Show – National Agricultural Centre, Stoneleigh, Warwickshire.

**July 16th-19th:** The Open Championship – Muirfield, Scotland.

**August 10th-12th:** BIGGA National Golf Tournament – Littlestone GC, Kent.

**September 8th-10th:** IOG Trade Exhibition – Peterborough, Northants.

**September 24th:** ISEKI Championships Final – Coventry GC, Warwickshire.

**October 12th:** TORO/PGA European Tour Student Greenkeeper of the Year Award – Aldwark Manor, York.

**October 14th-15th:** Kubota Challenge – The Belfry, Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire

**October 26th-November 27th:** BIGGA Management Courses (five weeks) – Aldwark Manor, York.

**November 11th-12th:** IOG Scotsurf Trade Exhibition, Edinburgh.

**November 12th-14th:** Golf Course Europe ’92 Show – Cannes, France.

**December 7th:** ICI Professional Products Premier Greenkeeper Award: Finals – Aldwark Manor, York.

**KENT**

Our Spring Tournament at Darenth Valley on the 6th May will soon be upon us. Hopefully spring will also bring some welcome encouragement for some very tired looking turf. Mild winters may be good for maintaining a golf course’s income, but they leave behind some very thin and worn turf. Looking ahead, we don’t have a Summer Tournament arranged for this year as we are hosting the BIGGA National Tournament at Littlestone. No doubt more detailed information will appear nearer the time, but I can give you some outline of the format in the hope that we in the Kent section can support this very important event.

The Tournament itself will take place on the 10th, 11th, and 12th of August, but a practice round will be available on Sunday the 9th August between 2.30 pm and 5.30 pm, with the registration for the main event taking place during the Sunday evening. As for the social side, we hope to have an informal barbecue in a marquee adjacent to the club house on Monday evening, with the banquet the following evening.

Much of the thanks for the organisation of the event must go to those at Littlestone Golf Club. Malcolm Grand always has this gem of a links course in tip-top order and a special thanks to Littlestone’s 1991 Club captain, Brian Evans. It is great that Brian can lend his enthusiasm and organisational abilities to the event, for as some of you may know he is also secretary of the Kent Golf Union and EGU golf development officer for the South East. Perhaps he would rather I forget him as one of the Kent youth selectors many, many years ago – about as long as ago as the last time I hit a decent shot!

Touching on the subject of club captains, we may have a BIGGA first in that our chairman, Chris Marden, is the captain at West Malling Golf Club this year. He brought his own special slant to the drive-in proceedings at the start of the year by arriving on the tee, in front of the assembled galleries, dressed in overalls, boots, cloth cap and donkey jacket. In one hand he clutching his trusty driver and in the other a large bucket of soil and seed, with which he diligently began to divot the first tee. To the horror of the ladies present, he then began to strip off – thankfully to reveal more correct golfing attire. He then drew a ball from his pocket (apparently preferring to supply his own as those supplied in the past by supposed friends of the new captain had a habit of exploding!), tee’d it up and struck a remarkably straight shot some 164 yards. That is a good 164 yards further than I have seen some new captains attempt to drive, but I can’t help but wonder that it was a relief he hadn’t previously divoted another tee, as this may have only resulted in a drive of some 82 yards! Perhaps the policy of appointing the head greenkeeper to the position of Club captain should become more common practice at all Clubs, for it would surely result in an improvement in the general condition of the course, after exercising the “first decree” – the banning and dissolution of the green committee!

PAUL COPSEY

**SOUTH COAST**

Members unable to attend the February lecture missed a very entertaining and interesting talk from our editor David White, who spoke of his annual visit to Augusta for the Masters Tournament and showed a number of slides covering the organisation and running of this prestigious event. This was followed by a talk on the Association’s magazine, which resulted in a number of questions being voiced and with more bouquets than brickbats going in David’s direction. It was pleasing to note that such is David’s fame that a few greenkeepers from the Surrey section joined us for the evening.

The next section event is the Spring Tournament, which this year is being held at the Weymouth GC on Thursday, May 28th. The format
for the competition is a 36 hole medal, though members not wishing to play two rounds can play a single round. A number of trophies are available to various playing categories and the entry fee, which includes all meals, is £11.00.

Further details and all applications to play should be directed to our tournament organiser, Mr Joe Burdett, 23 Jacobs Ladder, Child Okeford, Blandford Forum, Dorset, DT11 8EA.

As the first lady secretary, I am slowly finding myself, where some very valid points were raised, and I must congratulate the regional administrator, Howard McCaddy, on the professional way in which he arranges and administers regional affairs.

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, Neil Thomas, has requested the section secretary to ensure at all times that the dress rule is observed. More important, when visiting a golf club on a section event or for a 'courtesy' round, all members must observe the host Club rules and standards. In addition, please also note that it would be advisable to take a letter of introduction from your own golf Club when requesting a courtesy round at another Club. This will help to identify you and maintain the good standards. In addition, please also note that it would be advisable to take a letter of introduction from your own golf Club when requesting a courtesy round at another Club. This will help to identify you and maintain the good standards.

A covered letter is worth a visit.

SPRING TOURNAMENT: 11th May Wheatley GC, tee off 2.00pm., ANNUAL TOURNAMENT: 6th July. Buxton High Peak GC 27 hole competition, tee off (morning) 10.30 am (afternoon) 1.30pm. AUTUMN TOURNAMENT: 7th Sept., Sitwell GC, tee off 1.30pm. Please contact the competition secretary, Barry Heaney, if you require any information. Tel: 0742 884065.

Barry is to be admitted to hospital for surgery and the section send their best wishes to him and his family. Get well soon Barry, we need you.

If any further information is required or I can help in any way, please do not hesitate to phone me on 0298 813374; or write to

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Stoneyford, Chapel-En-Le-Frith, Stockport, Cheshire. SK12 6QJ.

JANE RYAN

DEVON & CORNWALL

As we arrived at Bigbury GC for our February meeting we found the course under a blanket of fog, which locals said would last all day. Nevertheless, 28 golfing members decided to brave the conditions and play for the Avoncrop Amenities Trophy. To their surprise the fog cleared as the first players reached the tee, though delight soon turned into despair as the heavens opened, with many running for cover to the club house and only a few brave souls managed to complete eleven holes before calling a day.

During this time our non-golfers were being shown Rhone Poulenc's computer software, which was presented by Shaun Price and Paul Clifton. Many thanks gentlemen. To present the Avoncrop Amenities Trophy (and prizes to the brave) was John Palfrey of Avoncrop Amenities. The scores went to: 1st: C.Rawlings-18 pts 2nd B.Lewer-15 pts 3rd B. RIDGWAY-14 pts. Many thanks to John for donating & presenting the prizes to our lucky winners and also our thanks to Graham Davis & his staff, who kept the course playable in such appalling weather.

After an excellent lunch we continued on the theme of computers with course manager Kerran Daly, from Salisbury & South Wilt's G.C. presenting his paper on "Computers and Greenkeeping". Kerran must have thought he was back on the couch from Harrogate when water started to drip onto his overhead projector, but to his credit he waded on in fine style and brought home the point that we do not need to be afraid of computers, as those available today are 'user friendly'. He further suggested that we will all be using them in the work place in the near future. Many thanks, Kerran, for a splendid talk and also to Bigbury Golf Club, for allowed nearly sixty members to use their excellent facilities.

Members please note that WESTURF is now only a few days away. You should all have received your free invitation to the show which will be held at Long Ashton GC on Wednesday 29th April. If you haven't received an invitation, please contact me at once.

RICHARD WHYMAN

SOUTH WEST

Yeovil Golf Club, in deepest, darkest Somerset, was the venue for the second meeting of the '92 season. This friendly Club, recently expanded to 27 holes under the expert eye of John Lawton, made the section very welcome, which was reflected in the very good turn-out despite the greater than usual travelling distances. The day was rather windy, to say the least, though this didn't prove a problem to Jon Leigh of Henbury, who recorded the day's best score of 37 points to secure his first win after many attempts in section meetings.

The full result was as follows: 1st: J Leigh, Henbury, 37 points. 2nd: P Godwin, Tracy Park, 32 points. 3rd: K Miller, Tall Pines, 31 points. 4th: P Thorn, Tracy Park, 30 points.

Many thanks to Yeovil Golf Club for having us, to John and his staff for preparing the course, to the steward for the lunchtime meal; and to Huxley Grass Machinery, Avoncrop Amenity, Rigby Taylor, Richardson Plant, I.C.I., and Roffey Brothers for prizes. Huxley Grass Machinery were our sponsors for the day, and I hope all two of their very latest machines to be put through their paces under the critical eyes of our resident experts. Thank you all.

Hot on the heels of Martin Townsend in the parishioners stakes is Dave Everett of Lyme Regis. I am happy to report that he has a son, Scott James, safely delivered in January. Congratulations David, we'll allow you two extra shots on your handicap to compensate for all those sleepless nights, and don't worry about all those teething problems encountered in the first three or four decades of your son's life, by the time that's past, you'll be too old to care!

On a more sobering note, we wish the recently retired section chairman, Bob Gates, a speedy recovery from his recent bout of bronchitis, and also best wishes to Ivar Scoones' wife Anne, for a complete recovery from her recent injury.

With this being a final reminder for WESTURF, April 29th, Long Ashton, let's have no excuses. Bring the staff, bring the green committee, let's have a successful, well attended show.

PAUL WORSTER

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LONDON

The London section held its own seminar at Aldenham GC on February 26th, with some 50 greenkeepers representing eighteen Clubs in attendance, along with a several trade members. A warm welcome was extended to us by the staff at Aldenham and our sincere thanks to Mr Phillips for once again playing host to us for this important fixture in our calendar. Three companies supplied advertising display stands and our thanks go to Dennis Smith (Parkers), Peter Hopkinson (Browns), and Liam Galway (CMW), for continued support. The speakers were of high quality and were received very well by their audience, for which thanks are due to Mark Hunt (Sierra Chemicals UK), Jim McKenzie (Wentworth GC), Peter J Jefford (Rufford Top Dress Supplies), Kevin Hunt (Buckinghamshire GC), and Jessie Johnson (EuroTurfCare), for their paper presentations. To mark our appreciation, the speakers were each presented with a gold-plated pen in recognition of their contribution.

To end this report on a sour note, one thing that did NOT go unnoticed was the number of greenkeepers who arrived wearing jeans, sweatshirts, training shoes and, would you believe it, tracksuit bottoms! This surely cannot go on any longer. If Golf Club members are expected to dress correctly at their own Club, surely we owe it to them (and to ourselves) to ensure careful planning in order to give them at least the semblance of pride! As a section we cannot take responsibility for their dress at such events, then their head greenkeepers must take it upon themselves, if only to safeguard our interests. So come on, all you head men: if you are sending staff to represent your club at any future section event – golfing or non golfing – get them in order, or don’t send them at all.

DEAN CLEAVER

SURREY

Our Spring Tournament takes place at Foxhills GC on April 23rd, enthrals being reminded that they will be required to produce an Association membership card before playing, and that the ‘one prize per player’ rule applies. A presentation will also be made at Foxhills, this by Huxley’s to the holders and three times winners of the Huxley Bowl, Alex Armitage and Paul Weston.

Finally a plea for section news, which should be conveyed to either Dave Andrews or myself. In a section as large as ours, something must be going on that is worth reporting – so let me know!

ROGER TYDEMAN

EAST ANGLIA

Our winter lecture for some time was a most successful, with over 60 turning out at Purdis Heath at very short notice. Michael Peters did very well at his first attempt at public speaking, addressing us on the subject of irrigation systems and techniques.

Colin Pryce, whose company, Soicare Ltd., both sponsored the event and provided the welcome refreshments, spoke at length on deep soil aeration, followed by Patrick Lucas from Colchester, who gave a very interesting talk on deep ‘aerification’ and most aspects of American greenkeeping.

There couldn’t have been a more successful start to the year than that which the BTME gave to us. Many members have mentioned how much they enjoyed the show and of the many good seminars available. Many thanks to all the staff at headquarters, who worked so hard in producing a show of this standing.

Our Summer Tournament this year will be held at Handsworth GC on Thursday June 18th. Please note that entry forms must be sent to Mike Hughes by May 13th; and that the maximum handicap for this event is 24. Please also remember that any news from within the section would be most welcome, so please call me – any time.

DEAN CLEAVER

AYRSHIRE

The Ayrshire section Spring Outing will be held at Irvine Ravenspark on April 30th, commencing with coffee and biscuits on arrival and tee-off at around 9am. Please ensure that your entry forms are returned promptly in order that meals and tee times may be booked. An added incentive this year will be that qualifiers for the ISEKI Tournament will have the shortest of trips to Troon Darley for the regional finals. Let’s see if we can find a team to take advantage of this opportunity! The Autumn Outing will be held at Millport in September, and I will let you have full details later.

Congratulations and good luck go to Billy Ladas, bouncing along behind his tractor. His company, Soilcare Ltd., who takes his job so seriously that he not only spits fairways, tees, greens, etc., but also gives the vehicles in the car park a run as well!

Burgoine, now at the new Uppingham Castle GC, had a very pleasant and informative social evening on February 18th. Steve Goode, please take extra care, at least until the 28th, or we will end up fielding a team of reserves!

TALKING OF RESERVES, you do NOT want to have your details circulated, please give me a ring on 0509 650140.

TONY HOWARTH

EAST MIDLANDS

First, many thanks to Piggy Taylor for the hospitality extended to section members at their seminar at Derbyshire C.C.C. on February 26th. Any chance of another one at Leicester in the autumn? Thanks also to Mr Gustinor and his staff at Brooksgate College for a very pleasant and informative social evening on February 16th.

It’s not too late to enter the Spring Tournament at Wollaton Park GC on April 28th: you may ring me for an entry form if you haven’t had one already. This competition will again be a qualifier for the ISEKI Tournament in September. There seems to have been a space of injuries to section members over the past few months, so would prospective ISEKI team competitors, especially Roger Willars and Steve Goode, please take extra care, at least until the 28th, or we will end up fielding a team of reserves!

The tournament will take the form of an 18 hole medal round, with the tee available from 1.30pm and at a cost of just £12 per player. Soup and sandwiches will be available on arrival, with dinner and prize presentation in the evening. Proper dress is essential and you must also bring your membership card with you. All enquiries to Paul Pearse, 1 Swan Close, Poynton, Stockport SK12 1HX. Tel: 0625 859258.

Members should note that the West Derby event is a qualifier for the ISEKI Tournament and is likely to prove somewhat competitive. Members will enjoy jockeying for vital places at the regional finals at Cleckheaton GC on June 25th., so come along, enjoy the day, and have a crack at qualifying.

Finally, if anyone is retiring, changing jobs, becoming a father or involved in something worthy of exposure, PLEASE let me know, as section news is hard to find without your help. Just ring 051 724 5412 and ask for Bert.
There is a diary change, with our game at Eaton GC now fixed for SEPTEMBER 23rd— not October 7th. I must thank Aldeburgh for their kind hospitality way back in December when I was ill and on the verge of a squall, (arguably, I hear you cry!), sorry, lads.

Man on the move Paul Bertinshaw bids a fond farewell to Royal Norwich after eight years, moving to Delamere Forest in Cheshire. AGM later in the year. We all wish Paul and his family the very best for a successful future.

Now for the be-all-and-end-all of why farmers don’t make good greenkeepers. One of the many fields at 17 flagsticks have been described as ‘golf courses’ has an active farmer owner. He has a good head greenkeeper (for now) but over-rides everything the head man suggests. The greenkeeper, fed up with all the arguing, has decided to toe the line and do just as he is told — e.g. scarify and top dress in early February when there is a hard frost in the ground, never close the course, and if it snows the green staff will be laid off without pay! Not surprisingly, this course is going downhill even faster than Eddie the Eagle, and serves to highlight the enormous potential for ‘quality’ courses when one considers the vast numbers who play these ‘mickey mouse’ set-ups, simply because there is nowhere else to go.

MICK LATHROP

SOUTH WALES

First, I must apologise to Celtic Mowers and their managing director, Mr Kim Davies, for not acknowledging in print the recognition they so rightly deserve. As a section we are indebted and thank them for their financial donations throughout 1991 towards both education and the quality of our golf course, which was played last year for the first time. In my last report, I forgot to give the results of the above mentioned competition, played for throughout the season: Huw Morgan won the Matchplay Shield, the top prize of £75.00, and an engraved silver. Phil Swain was runner-up, winning £50.00 and also taking an engraved silver. Beaten semi-finalists were Ildaw Morris and Anthony Iafatre, both of whom won £20.00 and an engraved silver. In the handicap section, Neil Baldwin was a speaker at BTME last year. We hope Neil will be back to keep us informed. I also wish him well in the hope that future operations required for cataracts will be totally successful and that we shall see him back after the summer break.

In the same vein, we had with regret that we learned of Ted Thompson's recent illness, the surgery required and the unfortunate relapse suffered of late. We hope Ted will be back to full strength before too long and will soon be seen on the fairways again with his fellow greenkeepers.

Movements within the section:

David James recently left Newport GC to take over at Glynnhead GC, Paul Davies has moved from his many years at Highcliffe GC to take over as deputy head greenkeeper at Tredgar GC, with Stuart Lindsay (who hails from West Lothian) having taken the deputy head greenkeeper post at Southampton GC. We hope to see at future section meetings and send them all our best wishes for success at their new Clubs.

I would like to urge as many members as possible to attend WESTURF ‘92 at Long Ashton GC, Bristol, on April 29th, 10am - 5pm.

SOUTH-WEST

TENDER FOR GROUNDS MAINTENANCE WORKS: STAGE 4

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Milton Keynes Borough Council
PO Box 113 Civic Offices
1 Saxon Gate East
Milton Keynes MK9 3HN
Telephone (0908) 682545 (Questionnaires) or (0908) 682574 (Appointments).

Completed Questionnaires must be returned to the above address by Friday 15th May 1992.

MILTON KEYNES BOROUGH COUNCIL

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Specifications will be available for inspection on purchase at £50 each by the end of May 1992 at the Civic offices.

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BUCKS, BERKS AND OXON

Hello, is anyone out there? If so, please contact me – write to Ray Clark, Flat 1, Temple GC, Henley Road, Hurley, Nr Maidenhead Berks SL6 5LH

You'll all be glad to know that our second winter lecture was a great success and we are most grateful to Sierra UK for both lecture and grub (though that wasn't the main reason we all turned up, I hasten to add!) and to Alan Collis and Sonning GC. An enjoyable evening was had by all.

Well, to say that our Gentlemen's Dinner was a success is like saying that Ben Crenshaw can putt a bit! Over fifty people attended, both greenkeepers and guests, on a beautiful day to enjoy a fine round of golf on the immaculate RED course at Frilford Heath, the greens made almost impossibly fast by the use of an Australian Greens Iron. The only people who didn't knock putts a mile past the pins were G Taylor, first with 38 points, S Edwards, second with 37, P Quiros third, also with 37, J Texiera, fourth, again with 37, and P Wheelerhan fifth, yet again with 37 points. A tight result! Unfortunately Mr Taylor could not pick up his prize as he was en route for Barbados (not much of a reason, is it?). Congratulations also to Bernie Wall for his birdie on the 18th, although it is rumoured that he bribed his playing partners (a little birdie told me!).

Special thanks go to Peter Gutter, who delivered an excellent speech. As always, our thanks go especially to David Heads and Jacques Klemanns of Frilford Heath and to the catering staff for an excellent meal. To the trade, as always our gratitude, especially to Sisis. (thanks Russell, for doing the score cards), StaBrite and Bernie Wall for his dedicated hard work, Rhone Poulenc, Rigby Taylor, British Seed Houses and ICI. A special thanks finally to the committee and particularly to Jackie Morison, who worked relentlessly to make the event a success.

Our good wishes to D Driver who moves from Henley to Denham, D Porter from Frilford Heath to Ragburn, and L Morrison from Calcot Park to Maple Durham. Good luck. See you all at Henley in May.

RAY CLARK

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