 territor of there being little to report (again), this because your section is run efficiently by a great committee (and knowing my luck, none of them will read this!). Now on to business.

We will require names of greenkeepers who would like to play in our section matches. These include fixtures against Mid Anglia, BB&O secretaries & captains, and including one or two others in the pipeline. So – don’t delay, rush your name forward together with Club and handicap, to Dave Porter, c/o Ray Clark, Flat 1, Temple GC, Henley Rd, Maidenhead, Berkshire SL6 5LH.

On behalf of all section members I congratulate Roy Kates on becoming the national chairman of BIGGA and on receiving the fine red blazer. I’m sure we’ll see him sporting it at many of our golf days and section functions. Last, but not least, a little note from Bob Woodward in keeping the course open. Also to the young greenkeepers who warned us about the ‘gators in the everglades at the bottom of the course!


It is with regret that I report the death of Jock Robertson, ex head greenkeeper at the Troon Municipal courses. Jock was a real character and will be sadly missed by his many friends in the greenkeeping world.

On the move: John Kinder is coming to us; moving from Ardeer to Newport and John McLaughlin is moving from the Bushes in Paisley to Dumfries and Galloway. Robert Johnstone is moving from the Bushes in Paisley to Dumfries Municipal courses. Jock was a real character and will be sadly missed by his many friends in the greenkeeping world.

Finally, we all wait with bated breath for the invitations to arrive for the grand opening dance at George’s new ‘mansion’ at Turnberry.

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