Woodbridge Golf Club, which celebrates its centenary in 1993, is renowned as one of the best golf clubs in East Anglia with all areas of the golf course having been kept in a top class condition over the decades. This excellent condition is largely due to head greenkeeper Lynn Arbon and his staff. Lynn celebrated 25 years of service with Woodbridge Golf Club and, as our picture shows, was presented with gifts from Ransomes managing director, Eric McCoy, at a recent ceremony.

Woodbridge Golf Club, spiritual home of the Ransomes International Greenkeepers Tournament, has been a good training ground for greenkeepers from abroad, and Ransomes have on many occasions had good reason to call on Lynn to meet greenkeepers at Woodbridge whilst they were visiting Ransomes plant from places such as Finland, Belgium and as far away as the United States and Japan.

Lynn Arbon is a well known figure at Woodbridge Golf Club, though he tends to keep a low profile and just gets on with the job he knows best. The state of his course is testimony to his expertise.

Barenbrug UK has appointed new distributors for its Bar range of amenity grass seed mixtures to cater for increasing demand and to provide high quality seed backed by technical expertise and service.

Avoncrop Amenity Products, Bristol, will cover the South West; Collier Turf Care of Norwich will supply the East; Aitken Sportsturf of York will look after the North; Aitken (Seedsmen) of Glasgow will distribute through Scotland; and Lindsay Professional Sportsturf of Belfast will cover Northern Ireland.

The Bar range of 15 mixes provides for all professional amenity requirements, with emphasis on golf courses. Barenbrug UK is a subsidiary of Barenbrug Holdings in the Netherlands, one of Europe’s largest grass seed companies.
Who and what are moving on and moving in, in the greenkeeping industry

• The six BIGGA winners selected to play in the BARENBURG International Golf Trophy event at Nunspeet in Holland are: Jim Lake, Druids Heath GC, Aldridge. Richard Pride, Thorndon Park GC, Ingrave. Barry Holt, Burford GC, Oxon. Richard Creane, Gosforth Park GC, Newcastle upon Tyne. John Philp, Carnoustie, Angus; and Huw Parry, Bristol & Clifton GC, Bristol. These six players will join fellow European amenity turf specialists in the tournament, plus a Dutch tour which includes a visit to Barenbrug's plant breeding centre. Greenkeeper International will publish a photo report and results in June.

• Greenkeeper International sends good luck wishes to Sunningdale greenkeeper Robert Brewer, who is away to Canada on an extended trip which will include an attempt to obtain a private pilots licence. No doubt the time will soon come when we shall see 'the flying greenkeeper' aloft.

• The Institute of Groundsmanship, organisers of the IOG Trade Show, have appointed Gene Price Communications (Tel: 081 866 8254) to handle press and PR for the exhibition. Bookings for stand space and all other matters will continue to be handled by the Exhibition Administrator at the IOG, 19-23 Church St., The Agora, Milton Keynes, Bucks MK12 5LG (Tel: 0908 312511). The official catalogue is published by Adam Publishing Ltd. The event is scheduled for September 8-10th and will again be held at Peterborough.

• Greenkeeper International was saddened to learn of the recent death of Jack Simpson, a past chairman of the BGGA and a member of the executive committee representing the North East. Jack will be remembered with affection as a fine head greenkeeper who served his Club, Ponteland GC, over 50 loyal years. Our deepest sympathies are extended to his widow and family.

• Southwood GC, Farnborough, Hampshire, were the lucky winners of the Kubota G1900S ride-on mower, worth over £6000, at the annual Kubota Draw organised by the Golf Foundation - a registered charity established in 1952 to promote and develop the game of golf among young people. A record number of 116 Clubs throughout the UK qualified for the Kubota Draw by each raising £200 or more for the Golf Foundation's annual appeal, which raised over £71000 in 1991.

• A new consultancy service has been launched by Robert Laycock M.Sc., former technical director of Rolawn (Turf Growers) Ltd., and previously a researcher at the STRI. The consultancy, TurfGrass Science, offers a full agronomic service to established golf Clubs as well as to courses which are new or under construction. At a time when consultants are as prolific as new courses, where does TurfGrass Science fit in the market? The answer lies in the name: “There is a real need for a new independent scientifically based agronomic service for golf Clubs. There has been a very positive response from prospective clients,” says Laycock. TurfGrass Science is able to give impartial authorita-