The BIGGA Turf Management Exhibition, the largest trade show and education programme of its kind in Europe in 1995, takes place in the Harrogate International Centre, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, from January 25-27.

The BIGGA National Education Conference takes place in the Majestic Hotel, Harrogate, from January 23-24. The Educational Seminar Programme, which runs concurrently with the exhibition, will be held in the Harrogate International Centre’s Royal Hall – entrance from Hall C.

BTME is open from 9am on all three days. It closes at 5.30pm on Wednesday and Thursday and 1.30pm on Friday.

Entry to the exhibition is FREE but unless you have pre-registered you will need to complete a registration card at the entrance to the show.

WHAT'S ON AND WHEN

MONDAY 23 JANUARY, MAJESTIC HOTEL
NATIONAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE
Chairman: Dr Peter Hayes, Director, Sports Turf Research Institute
8.50am: Introduction: Barry Heaney, Vice Chairman, BIGGA

9.00am – 9.40am: An Overview of European Golf Course Ecology
David Stubbs, Executive Director, European Golf Association
Ecology Unit

9.40am – 10.00am: Golf Courses and the Environment – Council for the Protection of Rural England’s View
Neil Sinden, Assistant Secretary, CPRE

10.00am – 10.20am: Aspects to Consider when Tree Planting on Golf Courses
Wally Grice, Woodland Officer, The Forestry Authority, Ecology Unit

10.40am – 11.20am: Managing the Ecology of the Golf Course
Richard Woman, Forestry Advisor, The Forestry Authority

11.20am – 12.00noon: The Layman’s Guide to Golf Course Planting
Andy Campbell, Course Manager, Carden Park Golf Club

12.00 – 12.30pm: Questions to the Panel

2.00pm – 2.40pm: The Evolution of the London Golf Club – Natural Resource Management
Joe Paulin, Courses Manager, London Golf Club

2.40pm – 3.20pm: Perseverance, Pride and Professionalism – an overview of Patsull Park Hotel, Golf and Country Club
Geoff Allison, Course Manager, Patsull Park Golf Club

3.40pm – 4.20pm: Working Together in Sweden
Stig Persson and Hakan Eriksson, Swedish Golf Federation

4.20pm – 5.00pm: Continuing Environmental Research and Education
James F Moore, Director, Green Section, Mid-Continent University

5.00pm – 5.30pm: Questions to the Panel

5.30pm: Summing Up
John Millen, Chairman, BIGGA

WEDNESDAY 25 JANUARY, ROYAL HALL
SEMINAR PROGRAMME
9.00am: Ribbon cutting to open BIGGA Turf Management Exhibition, Entrance Hall A

SEMINAR PROGRAMME – SESSION A
10.30-11.00: THE OPEN 1994
George Brown, Golf Courses and Estates Manager, Turnberry

11.00-12.00: WAS IT WORTH IT?
Kerran Daly, Master Greenkeeper, Course Manager Salisbury and Wiltshire Golf Club; Anthony Davies, Master Greenkeeper and ICIP Premier Greenkeeper 1990, Course Manager Prestbury Golf Club; Bridie Redican, Toro/Lely/PGA European Tour Student Greenkeeper of the Year 1993, Adare Manor Hotel and Golf Club.

SEMINAR PROGRAMME – SESSION B
1.30-2.00 pm: Golf Course Management in The Highlands
Iain Macleod, Course Manager, Tain Golf Course

2.00-2.30 pm: Ashridge – the Last Five Years
Jim Cassidy, Course Manager, Ashridge Golf Club

2.30-3.00 pm: A Greenkeeper’s Guide to Working with Golf Course Architects
Cameron Sinclair, Chairman, British Institute of Golf Course Architects

SEMINAR PROGRAMME – SESSION C
3.30-4.30 pm: Practical Management of a Complex Environment
James F Moore, Director, Green Section, Mid-Continent University

5.00pm - 5.30pm: Questions to the Panel

THURSDAY 26 JANUARY, ROYAL HALL
SEMINAR PROGRAMME – SESSION D
9.30-10.00am: Budgeting for Golf Course Management
Colin Hegarty, Golf Research Group

10.00-10.30am: A Secretary’s View
Brian Carne, Managing Secretary, Broadway Golf Club

11.00-11.30am: Rabbit and Vermin Control
Dr I G McKillop, Central Science Laboratory

11.30-12.00pm: Plant and Grass Breeding
Dr David Patterson, Turfgrass Breeder, Northern Ireland Horticultural and Plant Breeding Station

SEMINAR PROGRAMME – SESSION F
1.30-3.00pm: European Forum
Dennis Morfram, Senior Greenkeeping Lecturer, Reaseheath College; Tommy Lindoel, Chief Executive, Swedish Greenkeepers Association; Joe Baidy, President, GCSAA; Peter Shaw, Course Manager, Riedhof Golf Club, Munich

SEMINAR PROGRAMME – SESSION G
3.30-4.30pm: Health and Safety Update
Douglas Shearer, Health and Safety Consultant

7.30pm for 8.00pm: EXHIBITION BANQUET
The climax to another eagerly awaited banquet will be an outstanding cabaret starring comedian Tom O’Connor and top female vocalist Lyn Paul, former lead singer of the New Seekers, together with the City Lights Showband.

FRIDAY 27 JANUARY, ROYAL HALL
SEMINAR PROGRAMME – SESSION H
10.00-11.30am: International Turfgrass Trends
Dr James Beard, President, International Sports Turf Institute and Professor Emeritus of Turf Grass Science, Texas A&M University

7.30pm: A karaoke night will be held in The Majestic Hotel hosted by Jonathan Reese of the Fun Time Music Company, featuring an all star cast... of greenkeepers.