The Greenkeepers Training Committee (GTC) are continually reviewing the approved colleges to train greenkeepers beyond craft level. However, it must be stated that until the GTC review is completed only the greenkeeping industry as to which colleges employers and their staff should be supporting. Anyone with a query regarding greenkeeper training should contact the Greenkeepers Training Committee at Aldwark Manor, Aldwark, Aldridge, West Midlands, telephone 01347 838640.

**NORTH**

**ASKHAM BRYAN COLLEGE**

**CITY COLLEGE MANCHESTER**
Wythenshawe Park Centre, Moor Road, Manchester M23 9BQ. Contact Peter Riley/Martin Webb. Tel: 0161 957 1526. Day Release and Full time courses leading to NVQ Level II Amenity Horticulture with the Greenkeeping option.

**HOUGHALL COLLEGE**
Durham College of Agriculture and Horticulture, Houghall, Durham DH1 3SG. Contact Tony Milan. Tel: 0191 386 1351. Full time courses: National Certificate in Horticulture (Greenkeeping and Groundsmanship) – 1 year; National Diploma in Horticulture (Turf Option) – 2-3 years. Part time courses: Greenkeeping and Groundsmanship Level II – Day Release; NVQ Level 3 and NVQ Level 4. Short Courses: Health & Safety Legislation; Turfcare; Machinery and Mechanisation. All courses contribute towards NVQ levels I and II.

**MYERSCROUGH COLLEGE**
Myerscough Hall, Bilsborrow, Preston, Lancashire PR3 0RY. Contact Martyn Jones. Tel: 01995 640611. Full time courses: HNC Turf Science and Golf Course Management; National Certificate in Groundsmanship and Greenkeeping – 1 year; BTEC Higher National Diploma in Turf Science and Golf Course Management – 3 years. Part time courses: NVQ Level II Greenkeeping; NVQ Level III Sportsturf Maintenance; Certificate and Diploma in Turf Irrigation (in conjunction with RTUKA). A range of short courses including EPA, First Aid and various technical modules.

**REASEHEATH COLLEGE**

**KIRKLEY HALL COLLEGE**
Ponteland, Northumberland (10 miles from the centre of Newcastle upon Tyne). Contact Mike Swinton. Tel: 01661 863908 Fax: 01661 860047. A wide range of full and part-time Amenity and Commercial Horticulture courses including Greenkeeping and Sports Turf maintenance and management.

**BRACKENHURST COLLEGE**
Southwell, Nottinghamshire NG25 0QF. Contact Student Administration. Tel: 01636 817099. National Diploma in Horticulture (over two years) with options – NVQ Level 2 in Amenity Horticulture (Day Release over two years) following the GTC Training Manual – also available short courses in Technical, Supervisory and Management Skills training appropriate to the Greenkeeping Industry.

**BROOKSBY COLLEGE**

**BROOMFIELD COLLEGE**
Morley, Ilkeston, Derby DE7 6DN. Contact Admissions Officer. Tel: 01332 831345. NVQ Level I and Level II Amenity Horticulture (Greenkeeping) Block Release course. Two years duration presented in 12 one-week blocks following guidelines of GTC Training Manual. NVQ Level III gained by 9x 3-day blocks, or APL service.

**CAMBRIDGESHIRE COLLEGE**
Milton Centre, Landbeach Road, Milton, Cambridge CB4 6DB. Contact Martin Crimmins. Tel: 01223 860701. Part time – Day Release over two years leading to NVQ Level II and III (Greenkeeping options), including the GTC Training Manual requirements. Autumn: term commences September/October 1997.

**RODDASTON COLLEGE**
Rodbaston, Penkridge, Stafford ST19 5HG. Contact Nigel Foskett. Tel: 01785 712209. Courses offered: Craft Level NVQ Level I, II and III. Day Release. Duration: Over two years, each of weeks duration (September – June). Registration Date: Please contact the College.

**WARWICKSHIRE COLLEGE**
Moreton Mowbray Centre, Warwick CV35 9HL. Contact Graham Martin. Tel: 01926 318000. Greenkeeping courses – day release – NVQ Level I; NVQ Level II; NVQ Level III; Insl courses (evening class). National Intermediate Diploma in Turfcare: Full time two year; BTEC National Diploma in Horticulture (with option in Turfcare); Professional updating course include: Groundsmanship, Machinery Maintenance and Repair, Managing Conservation Areas, Plant Identification, Hedgecutting, First Aid, EPA Spraying Courses, Chainsaw Courses.

**MOULTON COLLEGE**

**BRINSBURY COLLEGE**
North Heath, Purbrook, West Sussex RH20 1DL. Contact Keith Harrison. Tel: 01798 873832. Full time course: BTEC in Optional Horticulture with specializing options: National Diploma Landscape Studies, Sportsturf and Greenkeeping option. Part time: NQI/G Diploma Greenkeeping Plus Day; Day Release or NQI/G level; full time and part time students with work both in the NQI/G level book and the Greenkeeping manual. NVQ Level II (National Technical Certificate) with insl. of Greenkeeping manual may be delivered as an evening course. NVQ Level II Sportsturf Maintenance. NQI Landscape Studies (Option – Sportsturf Management and Groundcare); National Technical Certificate (NQI), National Practical Certificate (NQI); Intermediate Diploma (NQI), National Diploma (NQI).

**HADLOW COLLEGE**
Hadlow, Tonbridge, Kent TN11 0AL. Contact Keith Backhouse. Tel: 01732 850551. NVQ Level II and Level III Part time with two periods of Block Release or evenings. NVQ Level III in Groundsmanship evenings. NVQ Level III Golf Greenkeeping. Centres at Hadlow, Canterbury, Nottingham and Maidstone.

**NESCOT**
North East Surrey College of Technology, Reigate Road, Ewell, Epsom, Surrey KT17 3DS. Contact Dr S Shaw. Tel: 01381 391111. NVQ Levels I, II and III in Amenity Horticulture (Greenkeeping options) Training and Assessment for the GTC Training Manual. Part time, Day Release. Duration: Two years to Level II. EPA Spraying Courses.

**SOUTH EAST**

**ASCHAM BRYAN COLLEGE**
E COURSES AVAILABLE

KEY TO COLOURS

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Currently GTC approved as Training Providers offering courses at Craft, Supervisory and Management levels

Currently GTC approved as a Training Provider offering courses up to Supervisory level

Currently GTC approved as a Training Provider offering courses up to Craft level only

Pending GTC approval for all courses

OAKLANDS COLLEGE
Oaklands Campus, Hatfield Road, St Albans, Herts AL4 0UA. Contact Ian Merrick. Tel: 01727 850651. Full-time courses: National Certificate in Greenkeeping and Sports Turf Management. Part-time courses: Leading to NVQ Level 2 Greenkeeping. Evening courses leading to NVQ Levels 3 and 4. Short courses: Pesticide, Chainsaw, Fork Lift Truck, Greenkeeper Mechanics.

OTLEY COLLEGE

PLUMPTON COLLEGE

WRITTLE COLLEGE
Chelsford, Essex CM1 3RL. Contact Dai Edwards. Tel: 01245 420705, Fax: 01245 420546. Part-time courses include: NVQ Levels 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Sports Turf & Greenkeeping. Day Release. Includes training and assessment of Greenkeepers Training Manual. Full-time courses include: BTTC First Diploma (1 year), BTTC Higher National Diploma (2 years), BTTC Higher Diploma in Sports Turf and Golf Course Management (2 years) and NVQ Level 4 (3 years). Full-time, day and evening courses. Also NVQ Level II Golf Greenkeeping and NVQ Level II Groundsmanship.

MERRIST WOOD COLLEGE

BERKSHIRE COLLEGE

CANNINGTON COLLEGE

HARTPURY COLLEGE
Hartpury House, Nr Gloucester GL19 3BE. Tel: 01452 700032 Fax: 01452 700629. HND Land Use in Sportsturf (with Optional modules), ND Greenkeeping and Sports Turf, ND Golf Studies, PD Greenkeeping, NVQ Level 2 Sportsturf, NVQ Level 3 Sportsturf, NVQ Level 4 Sportsturf Management.

SPARSHOLT COLLEGE

ELMWOOD COLLEGE

LANGSIDE COLLEGE GLASGOW
Langside College Glasgow School of Horticulture, Woodburn House, Woodburn Road, Buchanan Drive, Rutherglen G73 3PF. Contact Colin S Urquhart. Tel: 0141 647 6300. SCOTVEC National Certificate – 3 years day release or 1 year full time. Higher National Certificate in Golf Course Management – 2 years day release. NVQ Level II Amenity Horticulture with Greenkeeping options plus a range of NC and HNC Horticulture programmes including G SVQ Level III. Short courses on a range of subjects including Tractor Operators and the Safe Use of Pesticides can be negotiated.

OATRIDGE COLLEGE
Ecclesmachan, Broxburn, West Lothian EH52 6NH. Contact Steve Miller. Tel: 01506 853487 Fax: 01506 853373. Full and part time courses: HNC in Golf Course Management, National Certificate in Greenkeeping & Sports Turf Management, NVQ Level I, Level II (GTC/IOG Training Manual) and Level III National Certificate in Hort. machinery. Short specialist courses – including safe use of chemicals, operation of greenkeeping machinery.

GOSTA TRAINING LTD
Unit 2B, Clydeview Centre, 45 Finnistern Street, Glasgow G3 8JU. Contact Chris Bothwell. Tel: 0141 248 2772. Fax: 0141 248 2453. NVQ II in Amenity Horticulture will all options including Greenkeeping and GTC Training Manual. Available Day/Block Release from November–February. Evening classes also available. Short courses including pesticide training, noise assessment, chainsaw and health & safety courses. NVQ III in maintaining sporting turf to be offered from early 1997.

GREENMOUNT COLLEGE
Greenmount College of Agriculture and Horticulture, Antrim, BT41 4PU. Contact Henry Shaw Tel: 01849 426666. Day release courses leading to (a) GTC Certificate/NVQ Level II Greenkeeping and Sports Turf Management or (b) GTC Certificate/NVQ Level II Golf Greenkeeping Management.

TEAGASC COLLEGE
Teagasc College of Amenity Horticulture, National Botanic Gardens, Glasnevin, Dublin 9. Contact Pat Sutcliffe. Tel: 003531 8374 388. Phase II Greenkeeping – Block Release two weeks three times per year. Phase III Greenkeeping – Block Release, one week, three times per year.

PENCEO COLLEGE