This month, Tracey and Susannah, from BIGGA's Membership Team, welcome over 70 new members to the Association and give some important news about the 2002 Membership cards.

**Picture perfect membership cards**

Get prepared: It's coming your way! The new plastic Membership Photocard is what you've all been waiting for! As from 1st January 2002, BIGGA's Membership Department will be issuing plastic credit card size Membership Photocards (at no extra cost to the member). This will not only provide you with an extra form of ID but it will continue to promote the professional image that the Association has achieved.

**The Challenge**

to obtain 6,400 passport size photographs, that is one photograph for each Greenkeeper Member, to enable the Membership Services Department to scan each photograph onto each member's file, which can then be reproduced onto your new card!

**The Challengers**

Tracey and Susannah from the Membership Services Department have accepted the challenge, but they need your help. To start preparing for the launch of the new card, they need a photograph of each of you! If you have a passport size photograph please send it to Tracey or Susannah, Membership Services Department, BIGGA, BIGGA HOUSE, Aldwark, Aire, Yorkshire YO61 1UE; don't forget to write your full name, date of birth and membership number on the back. Alternatively, if you have mastered the art of digital cameras why not send us a photo by email to tracey@bigga.co.uk or susannah@bigga.co.uk.

Watch out for more information on the new Membership Photocard next month.

**New BIGGA merchandise now in stock**

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<th>Polo Shirts</th>
<th>BIGGA can now offer BIGGA logo classic polo shirts. Made by Cutter &amp; Buck and available in sunflower and navy for only £29.95 inc. VAT, post and packaging. Sizes Medium, Large, XL or XXL available.</th>
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<td>Add to your range by purchasing a BIGGA logo jumper, made by Peter Scott and available in three styles: 1. Round neck, available in navy and charcoal, sizes from 40&quot; to 48&quot;, £34.95 inc. VAT, post and packing. 2. V-neck long sleeve, available in navy only, sizes from 40&quot; to 46&quot;, longer sizes available on request. £34.95 inc. VAT, post and packing. 3. V-neck no sleeves, available in navy only, sizes from 40&quot; to 46&quot;, larger sizes available on request. £29.95 inc. VAT, post and packing.</td>
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<td>Waterproof Suits</td>
<td>Due to popular demand BIGGA have re-stocked this suit. Available in navy consisting of a jacket with matching trousers with a drawstring waistband. Sizes from M to XXL, £59.95 inc. VAT, post and packing.</td>
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**BIGGA welcomes ...**

**Scottish Region**

John C P Mather, N West  
Jason John Mitchell, Northerns  
Kenneth Geoffrey Moncrieff, N East  
Simon Oliver, N East  
Kevin Pratt, Northern  
Ian Silecki, N West  
Christopher Sperin, N West

**Midland Region**

Matthew John Anton, Midland  
Matthew Johnson, Mid Anglia  
Andrew McLaren, Mid Anglia  
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**Northerns Region**

Michael Ian Averill, N West  
Timothy John Barnes, N West  
Gary Lee Chawes, N West  
James William Cope, N Wales  
Paul Matthew Currie, N Wales  
Richard Cannon, N West

**S West & S Wales Region**

Robert Leslie Cole, S Wales  
Ben Dilley, S Coast  
Sean Peter Prior, Devon & Cornwall

**International Members**

Paul Darrin Monson, Austria  
Kevin John Barstey, Germany  
Brian Phillips, Norway  
James J Houl, CGCS, USA

**Associate Members**

Stewart Clayton, Sheffield  
Richard Newman, E Ireland  
Gavin P Judge, Nursery

**Corporate Members**

David Drummond, East  
John Somerville, West  
Peter Snow, North East  
Paul Clifton, Midland

**Scotland**

Alan Robertson, Midland  
Davie Clarke, Kent  
Austin Davies, Essex  
John Hall, Essex  
Brian Robertson, East Midland

**Association Position**

Board Member for South West and South Wales Region

How long have you been a member of BIGGA?

Since its inception in '87.

Where do you hope the Association will be in 10 years time?

Equal or better recognition and profile within the industry.

For what would you most like to be remembered?

Good greenkeeper, good Board member and all round a good egg.

For what would you least like to be remembered?

Being someone who never had a joke!

Why did you take on a more involved role in the running of the Association?

Having benefited from BIGGA I wanted to re-invest some time and commitment to the Association and help it move forward in the coming years.

Name one thing which would improve the Association?

I would like to see every British greenkeeper join the Association and for a higher percentage of international greenkeepers to become members.

What is your claim to fame (None, not acceptable)?

Supporting Gloucester RFC when they win the Premiership and the Heineken Cup (It will happen).

Describe BIGGA in 15 words.

An Association run by members, for the benefit of members.