Tracy and Susannah from BIGGA's Membership Services Department, would like to wish all existing members and prospective new members a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Make your New Year's resolution...

... to bring your passport size photograph to Membership Services on the BIGGA Stand at the BIGGA Turf Management Exhibition (BTME) on Tuesday, January 22; Wednesday, January 23 or Thursday, January 24!

Whatever your query call onto the BIGGA stand and visit Membership Services.

Tracy and Susannah will be on hand to deal with all your Membership Services queries, should you wish to:

- Renew your existing membership
- Join BIGGA
- Bring a passport size photograph of yourself
- Obtain information on the different categories of Membership
- Change your personal details i.e. home address, Employer details etc
- Collect Tax Forms
- Obtain replacement renewal forms
- Ask questions regarding General Legal Protection
- Ask questions regarding Personal Accident Insurance cover
- Obtain information on the Direct Debit Scheme
- Meet the new members
- Obtain information on the Direct Debit Scheme

BIGGA welcomes...

Membership

Scottish Region
Stuart Addis, North, Scotland
David Birt, East
Raymond Leach, East
Barry Nichol, West
Stuart Williams, Central
Michael Wilson, Ayrshire
Northern Region
Matthew Corfield, N West
Barrie Croiz, N West
Mark Dirge, N West
Gary McGowan, N West
Christopher Robinson, N East
David Scott, N West
Peter White, N West
Paul Worsenrath, N West
Midland Region
Luke Brie field Smith, BBO
Martin Burbanks, BBO
Martin Downden, BBO
Steven Green, Mid Angus
Daniel Haynes, E Midland
Marc Kelly, BBO
David Lawton, Midland
David McGregor, BBO
Daniel Nevenhan, BBO
Andrew Dykes, E Midland
Kevin Stephenson, BBO
Andrew Turnbull, Midland
Michael Walters, Midland
South East Region
James Cole, Kent
Rhys Evans, Surrey
Richard Johnson, Surrey
Neil Simpson, London
Peter Thruston, Essex
S West & S Roles Region
Adrian Bridgewater, Dev & C'wall
Sarah Heck, S Coast
Seann Jarroch, S West
Nikolaas Offer, S Coast
John Peile, S Wales
South East Region
Andrew Drummond, North
Marshall Mushard, Central
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Robert De Martin, Northern
George Athosidis-Harris, Midland
David Bush, Sussex
Michael Shieldy, Kent
Norman Smith, Surrey
Christopher White, Essex
Corporate Members
Lee Flynn, E Midland
Keith Harrison, E Midland
Jim McGlinn, E Midland
James Robson, E Midland
John Allen, Surrey
Alan Abre, S Wales
Richard Minton, S West
Rog Enner, S West
Student Members
Andrew Braiden, North
Stephen Dunlop, Northern
Grahem Steels, N West
R Beets, Midland
Edward Edwards, E Midland
Robert Cosgrove, Essex
Paul Garman, Sussex
Jerry Goodechild, London
Brian Povey, Essex
Mark Grace, Central
Niall Reid, Central
Philip Patackley, N West
Jerenda J Tibbett, London
International Members
Ian Ouwink, Holland
Hans Fava, Sweden
Magnus Olsonoffen, Sweden
Dean Riddle, Canada
You've got mail!

If you've got an email account, why not send an email to the membership department, where we can give you into the actions members email address leads. We can then keep you up to date with latest membership news and events as they happen.

Send an email to membership@bigga.co.uk

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Sand Green Construction

In an article on Sand Green Constructions in Great Britain, Tim Coldough of the STIR asked is there a place for them and is there a need for them? Conclusions were based on research following a three year trial on the fertiliser nutrition of sand greens carried out at the STIR and sponsored by the R&PA. Tim concluded that the combination of research work and site experience leads us to believe that generally there is no place or need for pure sand greens in this country. The only mitigating circumstances which could contradict this conclusion may arise due to a complete lack of suitable local materials and a tight construction budget.

In the news

Tom O'Brien, Head Greenkeeper at Royal Birkdale Golf Club for the past 14 years would be retiring in 1992.

Howard Swan had been admitted to the regulating body for golf architecture, the British Institute of Golf Course Architects, as a full member. He had founded the British Association of Golf Course Constructors in 1980 and for five years, until 1990, was Chairman of the National Turfgrass Council.

Phil Baldock was moving from Hankley Common to take up the prestigious position of Head Greenkeeper at Royal Portrush Golf Club. Today Phil is Course Manager at another top course - Ganton Golf Club.

David Wood, Head Greenkeeper at Hoylake Golf Club, then a Phase 3 student at Plampton College, had gained the rare distinction of being the first greenkeeper to gain the prestigious Top Student of the Year Award - The City and Guilds Silver Medal - awarded by none other than the governing body itself, The City and Guilds of London Institute Examination Board. Today, David is Head Greenkeeper at Hever Golf Club.

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