Become a Bookworm!

Now that the nights are drawing in there is no better time to curl up with a good book. Why not take a look at BIGGA's library to provide you with your winter reading material. The library has over 800 titles for you to enjoy and also stocks videos, BTME transcripts, audio tapes and slides. Popular titles include Turf Management for Golf Courses by James Beard and Golf Course Architecture, Design, Construction and Restoration by Dr M J Hurzdan. There is also a multitude of books to help brush up your IT skills. You can borrow up to two titles from the library at any one time for a period of six weeks. The service is free to members, however members are responsible for returning any borrowed items to BIGGA Headquarters.

For further details or a copy of the library list detailing all the titles available please call Brad Anderson on 01347 833800.

SALTEX

May I take this opportunity to say a big hello to everybody that visited our stand at Saltex. It was great to finally have the chance to meet you all and to be able to put faces to names. I look forward to meeting even more of our members at BTME and Clubhouse in January.

Photograph Reminder

If getting a passport photo taken is causing difficulties remember we can use any clear photograph of yourself on your new membership card. Why not use one of your holiday snapshots! If you would like your photo returned, write your name and address on the back and we will return it with your renewal letter. If you still do not have any photos you wish to send in return your renewal form anyway so that you don't miss out on any benefits and we will sort your picture at a later date.

October's Membership Draw Winner

Just introduce one or more new greenkeeping members to BIGGA and your name will be entered into a draw to win a fantastic BIGGA Clock/calculator/calendar and alarm. Our congratulations go to September's winner, Marc Read, of Headingley Golf Club.

Don't forget until November not only will you be entered into the draw to win this clock you will also have the chance to win a day out rally driving!

Win a Day Rally Driving!

How do you fancy a day behind the wheel of a race prepared rally car?

To enter just introduce one or more new greenkeeping members to BIGGA. Make sure you write your name on their application form as the person who referred them and we will enter you into the prize draw. Not only do you get the chance of a race prepared rally car? You refer is also in with a chance of winning a RED LETTER DAY VOUCHER to be used on an experience of their choice. Call either Rachael or Gemma in Membership Services today on 01347 833800 to request a new member application form and for further details. Closing Date for applications is the 5th November 2002.

Scottsturf

Gemma Lee from Membership Services is attending Scottsturf on the 6th and 7th of November. Gemma will be available to answer any questions you may have with regard to your membership and the benefits you receive, issue and collect renewal forms, take photographs and hand out membership application forms as well as a free copy of the BIGGA field guides on production of your membership card. The BIGGA Stand is located at B16.

People

Pauline Thompson

Position: Exhibition Officer.

What does your role involve?

Organising the BTME and Clubhouse Shows.

How long have you worked for the Association?

Nine Years.

Where were you born and brought up?

Born in Nocot Hall, Lincolnshire, and brought up in UK, Cyprus and Bahrain.

Where did you work before you joined BIGGA?

Barclay’s Bank

What are your hobbies?

Travel, drawing, painting, creative writing, reading and gardening.

What is your favourite food?

Seafood.

What is your favourite film?

Too many to mention. I like thrillers like JFK and films with Alan Rickman in them like Truly Madly Deeply. I also liked Lord of the Rings.

What was the last book you read?

A Painted House by John Gisham.

Who is your all time hero?

Shelly West.

What was the best event you've ever attended?

CSE Show in the Desert with many stars including Ivor Novello.

What is your claim to fame?

None not acceptable

Who is this person?

Wrote a short story that was published and then picked up by the Australian Film Commission and made into a film. Also had acting lesson with Kenneth Moore.