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NEW MAN FOR BARENBRUG

Barenbrug has added to its sales force with the appointment of Warren Jefford as Area Sales Manager for the north of England and Wales as well as all of Scotland.

The position has been made available due to the promotion of Jayne Leyland, who used to oversee the north of England, to Senior Area Manager.

Warren, who lives in north Manchester, will be working closely with distributors, and increasing the sales of the Barenbrug product range among local authority, amenity and sports customers, as well as turf growers.

Previously, he spent three years as technical sales representative with construction and amenity products distributor Rigby Taylor, in Lancashire.

NIGHT OF AWARDS

The Hayter Dinner, a Harrogate tradition for ten years, was its usual splendid occasion crowned at the end of the evening with the presentation of dealer awards.

Commercial Dealer of the Year was George Brown Implements Ltd; Outstanding Commercial Dealer of the Year was Oakleys Ltd, of Shropshire; Export Dealer of the Year was Lyngfeldt of Denmark while the special Achievement of the Year went to Harry Gillespie of Cyril Johnston & Co Ltd.

Amid a host of other presentations was a selection of cycling accessories for Hayter Managing Director Derek Boulton, who is about to cycle the length of Britain.

NEIL HOTCHKIN

Neil Hotchkin, a past President of the English Golf Union and described by many as perhaps the most outstanding man in the history of the union, has died, two days after his 90th birthday.

Mr Hotchkin was the man behind the sale of Woodhall Spa to the union in 1995 which not only ensured the future of one of the finest inland courses in the world but secured a modern headquarters for the EGU.

IS IT A RECORD?

With the golf season just around the corner I reflecting on achievements at McDonald Golf Club, Ellon. Without checking the Guinness Book of Records I believe McDonald Golf Club could have two records.

Firstly 16 holes in one were recorded during the year.

Secondly, ten of these holes in one were at the same hole. The 15th. The Girdle, 147 yard par-3.

So is there a golf club out there who can surpass this achievement? I look forward to reading or hearing from anyone.

PS. Two holes in one have been recorded on the same hole during January of this year.

John Geddes, Head Greenkeeper, McDonald Golf Club, Ellon