In the Shed

Greenkeeper International brings you ‘In the Shed’, a puzzle page to keep you entertained when the weather forces you in or for when times are slow.

CROSSWORD  Compiled by Anax

ACROSS
1 Stockpile (4)
3 Misaligned (3,2,5)
10 Communicated by gesture (9)
11 Vertical part of step (5)
12 Grand statement subsequently shown to be incorrect (6,4,5)
13 Hormone which accelerates oxidation of sugar (7)
15 Greek god of light, brother of Artemis (6)
17 Soft, often translucent paper (6)
18 Having made a will before death (7)
20 Not likely to cause offence (15)
23 Indian dish of vegetables deep fried in batter (5)
24 Italian nationalist who conquered Naples and Sicily (9)
26 Star Trek race with watchword “Resistance is futile” (15)

DOWN
1 Irish republican movement (4,4)
2 Animal toxin (5)
4 State of disorientation (9)
5 Stares (5)
6 Establishment once described by its governor as a “penal dustbin” (8,6)
7 The smallest continent (9)
8 South African garment of animal skin (6)
9 Cocktail — anagram of tisane’s liqueur (7,7)
14 Mentally unsettled by long confinement (4,5)
15 PC protection software (9)
16 Answering (8)
19 Tanning salon equipment (6)
21 Knave, scallywag (5)
22 Donned Eskimo structure (5)

ANAGRAM
Daniel Craig is the latest actor to take on this role.

DEMONS JAB

QUICK ‘NINE HOLE’ QUIZ
1. What is the 6th planet from the Sun in our Solar System?
2. Alan Shearer is the highest goalscorer in Premiership history. Who currently is second on the list?
3. Which river flows through York?
4. Sergio Garcia is still the youngest. Who in 1993 at 51 years and 20 days became the oldest player to take part in the Ryder Cup?
5. Which of these names does not belong to one of Santa’s reindeer?
6. Who in his test debut this summer took three wickets before lunch on the first day, including a double wicket maiden in his first over of the day?
7. Name the England international who in 1985 as a 13 year old chorister sung backing vocals on Tina Turner’s — We Don’t Need Another Hero?
8. In the book title, who does author Laurie Lee have cider with?
9. Adele Jones and Becky ‘Pink’ Williams have just represented Britain in Japan at World Championships in which sport?

SUDOKU
Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 to 9.

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Answers to all the puzzles are shown on page 74.
The South Coast Seminar, which Chris Bitten is organising, is taking shape and once again looks to be a fascinating and informative day. Details will soon be distributed to the membership. If you’ve not been to this event before, I strongly recommend attendance.

We would like to wish the very best to Spencer Haynes, who is leaving Hartley Wintney GC to go on to pastures new, maintaining peoples’ lawns and passing on his great experience and knowledge to the domestic market. To both Spencer and his family, our very best wishes for the future and we hope to see you at future golf days.

Well that’s it folks for this month. All I need to do now is to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and prosperous New Year. I am now off to go and change a nappy!

Joe Crawley

Devon & Cornwall

Well, our season of meetings has commenced for the 2006/2007 year, the first one was held at Launceston GC on Wednesday, October 11 - which was our AGM. As you will all know by now, at the request of HQ, we have been asked to bring our AGM forward a month compared with previous years. This has not really caused any problems other than the fact that a good many greenkeepers were still finishing their autumn maintenance programme work, which meant that our attendance was rather on the low side compared with past years, however, 45 members attended.

The day commenced with a golf competition sponsored by D O Hunt and Roffeys. The format was a Stableford and in spite of very heavy rain over night - nearly 50mm - the course was in fantastic condition thanks to all the hard work by Grame Gallimore, the Head Greenkeeper and his staff.

The winners were as follows: 1 - Chris Pearson, Newquay GC, 39pts (h/cap 3); 2 - Brian Ridgway, Fingle Glen GC, 36pts (h/cap 14); 3 - Gavin Moore, Launceston GC, 35pts (h/cap 12).

Having indulged in a superb lunch, the afternoon proceedings commenced with the AGM, followed by the prize presentation. We were all pleased to welcome Jane Jones, our Regional Administrator, and of course, our National Chairman, Richard Whyman. The meeting lasted 45 minutes and there were no problems. What really pleased me was that we had some very constructive questions and suggestions from members, which will be on the agenda for our next Section committee meeting, held at Trenhorne GC in November.

At the request of our National Chairman - RE: Having younger members on the Section Committee - it was decided and approved to co-opt Abi Crosswood, from Newquay GC, onto the committee. I am sure you will have read about Abi in Greenkeeper International recently, she was runner-up in the Toro Student of the Year competition. Hopefully Abi will add some constructive ideas to our meetings.

I would like to take this opportunity to correct a mistake in this year’s diary, the meeting at St Enodoc is to be held on Wednesday, March 14, 2007 - not Friday as printed.

Last but not least, the Christmas dinner will be at Okehampton GC on Tuesday, December 12, you all know it is very popular, so once you have received your form, please return post haste.

See you all soon and good luck.

Donovan O Hunt
Administrator