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 Form of motorsport in which contact is permitted (5-3,6)
10 Establish as fact (7)
11 Peninsula extending into the Gulf of Mexico (7)
12 Inherited by descent (9)
13 Cause confusion, mislead (5)
14 Recognised (5)
15 In a lawless manner (9)
17 Stage name of British singer Joscelyn Eve Stoker (4,5)
19 Body of religious teachings (5)
21 Greek island, popular holiday destination (5)
23 Fulfilled (9)
24 African river, flows into the Mozambique Channel (7)
25 Of a style reminiscent of much earlier times (7)
26 All at once (2,3,4,5)

DOWN
2 Persistent, single-minded (9)
3 Deep, vivid red colour (7)
4 Whatever happens (4,4,2,5)
5 Arts venue in South Kensington (5,6,4)
6 One who practices self-denial for religious purposes (7)
7 Entomb, bury (5)
8 Passage between seats (7)
9 Anti-aircraft artillery (3-3)
16 Gilbert & Sullivan operetta also called "The Town of Titipu" (3,6)
17 Whirlpool bathtub tradename (7)
18 Press together (7)
19 Usually reliable money-making project (4,3)
20 Take off, subtract (6)
22 John —, central character of the 1982 film First Blood (5)

ANAGRAM
Tony Blair is in his final stint as Prime Minister, the Tory's have a new man at the helm and the Liberal Democrats are now searching for a new leader. So can you work out these two famous politicians — one British, one foreign?

THAT GREAT CHARMER ENDLESS INSOBERITY TRIP

QUICK 'NINE HOLE' QUIZ
1. In what year did Australia make their only previous appearance in football's World Cup finals?
2. In cricket, who is the new coach of Leicestershire?
3. Which Celtic League rugby union side play at Stradey Park?
4. Which 17 year old became the youngest player to score a Football League hat trick in April 1988?
5. Which jockey rode Hedgehunter to win the Grand National in 2005?
6. Which Coca-Cola Championship club play at Loftus Road?
7. European light-welterweight champion Junior Witter suffered his only defeat against which American?
8. Which venue will stage the 2006 Heineken Cup final?
9. Spanish club Real Sociedad hail from which northern city?

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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Spot the Difference
Look closely at the pictures below and try and spot the difference between them. You should be able to spot six!

ANSWERS TO ALL THE PUZZLES ARE SHOWN ON PAGE 55
Christmas dinner at 1.30pm.
After lunch we were entertained by Adger Brown, a comedian from St Leonards on Sea, who was one of the best we have ever been entertained by. He had us splitting our sides with laughter from start to finish. This was followed by the draw prize giving. Thanks to our members' generosity and the trade members we had some 65 prizes to be distributed, not to mention the food hamper supplied by Our President, John Palfrey of Avoncrop, and the wine at the table.
The winners of the RJ. Flegg Greensomes competition were as follows: 1. T. Hirst and L. Overy, 36pts; 2. R Standen and S. Gaylard, 36pts; 3. T. Martin and W. Hutchinson, 33pts.
Owing to the heavy rainfall the previous day, the competition was played over 15 holes and I would like to thank Richard, the Head Greenkeeper, for presenting the course in such good conditions. Well done Richard.
Looking forward to meeting you all at the Warren Golf Club on Wednesday February 15, which will be sponsored by Barenburg.
Have a great year.
Donovan O Hunt
Events Coordinator
South Wales
Quite a quiet month, not much info or gossip going around. I hope all that attended Harrogate Week had a good time.
The results from the winter Christmas competition, held annually at Pyle and Kenfig, on Friday December 9 are: 1. Daryl Bray, Morriston, 36pts; 2. Kerry Jones, Garnant Parc, 35pts; 3 Best Trade. Nick Rawlings, Complete Weed Control, 35pts; 4. Nigel Ruck, Glynhir, 33pts; 5. David Gladwin, Carmarthen, 33pts.
Longest Drive. Jamie Probert, Pontardawe, Nearest the Pins. Nick Rawlings, Alun Crichton, Colin Thomas and Adrian Masters.
Best Aggregate score throughout the season, over four competitions, is David Gladwin. How good a golfer is he going to be now he is retired? Pleased to see Daryl Bray back in the winner's enclosure. The missus let you attend one of our golf days I see. Apologies for absence on the day from - Keith Price, President WGU; Course Manager Ray Hunt; Captain of P&K, John Saville; Chairman, Russell Anderson - away cruising the Med; IPC, Angus MacLeod - Childminding duties; Golf Team Captain, Andy Roach; and our old friends, Marion and Gordon Child - whom we hope has made a full recovery and is well again.
Thanks to club for there hospitality and to the caterers, Rob and staff. I am informed the carvery Christmas dinner was excellent. Many thanks to Ray Hunt and his green staff. I am also informed the course, as always, was in great shape, greens running about 11 on the stimp and at 7mm.
33 golfers took to the course and 45 attended the dinner. A great day thanks to John Mullins and Vitax together with Kim Davies and Celtic Mowers for their continued support and sponsorship. Big thanks to all those who brought along prizes for the raffle.
Change of fixture date - The Golf Management Trophy, at Neath Golf Club, will be played on Thursday July 27 instead of 20th to avoid clashing with The Open at Hoylake.
We would like to wish Herbie Probert, from Pontardawe Golf Club, all the best for a long and healthy retirement. Hopefully, we will still see him on our golf days or they are going to be very quite indeed. Fixture cards will be issued shortly when all events have been confirmed - still awaiting on one. The series of winter education evenings are well under way and I look forward to catching up with you all there.
Angus MacLeod

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ANAGRAM
THAT GREAT CHARMER - MARGARET THATCHER
ENDLESS INSOBRIETY TRIP - PRESIDENT BORIS YELTSIN

A QUICK NINE HOLES
1. 1974
2. Tim Boon
3. Llanelli Scarlets
4. Alan Shearer
5. Ruby Walsh
6. QPR
7. Zab Judah
8. Millennium Stadium
9. San Sebastian