Vanessa and Gemma would like to welcome 14 new members to the Association and this month talk about renewals.

**BIGGA Welcomes**

### SCOTTISH REGION
- Stewart Brown North
- Stuart Harley Central
- Stuart Speirs East
- James Wilson East
- Derek Young West

### NORTHERN REGION
- Dylan Cammack North West
- Robert Hill North East
- James McCammon North East

### MIDLAND REGION
- Stuart Cottle Berk/ Bucks & Oxon
- Ian Gough Mid Anglia
- Christopher Horsley Mid Anglia
- Mark Lloyd Mid Anglia
- Brendan Searle Berk/ Bucks & Oxon

### SOUTH EAST REGION
- Mark Shuter Sussex
- Joe Simpson East Anglia

### SOUTH WEST & WALES
- Andy Fincher South Coast

### INTERNATIONAL MEMBERS
- Henri Stuyvem Belgium
- Marc Vandevijvere Belgium
- Michal Engter Slovakia
- Christian Pilon Canada

### STUDENT MEMBERS
- Danny Partridge Scottish Region
- Neil Henderson Scottish Region
- Robert Corlett Northern Region
- Martin Bird Sth West & Wales Region
- David Dow Sth West & Wales Region

### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS
- Hugh Fraser Scottish Region
- Nicola Gemmel Scottish Region
- Christine Hunter Scottish Region
- Brian Inglis Scottish Region
- Douglas Shearer Scottish Region
- Phil Allen Northern Region
- Steve Barnes Northern Region
- Stewart Brown Northern Region
- Julia Campney Northern Region
- Craig Fort Northern Region
- John Law Northern Region
- Jon Marks Northern Region
- David Newton Northern Region
- James Bucknall Midland Region
- Miranda Chambers Midland Region
- Keith Collingwood Midland Region
- Richard Fortmuller Midland Region
- Simon Harrison Midland Region
- Eddie Bullock South East Region
- David Cott South East Region
- Sheena Shah South East Region
- Charles Worthing South East Region
- Alex Binardi Sth West & Wales
- John Daniel Sth West & Wales
- Alan Boyd N Ireland
- Denis Ormond Rep of Ireland
- Jonathan Mcnally Dubai

### CORPORATE MEMBERS
- Graham Purse South East Region
- Vic Purse South East Region
- Bill Stimson South East Region

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### Keep in touch

We would like to be able to keep in touch more with our members and because regular mail is very time consuming, slow and pricey we would like to email you all more often. If you want to receive more regular updates and we don't already have your email address then email us on: vanessa@bigga.co.uk and we'll add you to our list of contacts.

Time's running away. Don't forget to get those renewals in as soon as possible if you don't want to lose the BIGGA membership benefits you are currently getting.

If your membership expired in November or December 2006 or at the beginning of this year it is not too late to renew your membership. If you've lost your renewal form just ring us and we'll send you a new one.

If you don't want to pay your subscription fee all in one go you can pay us in five or 10 instalments by Direct Debit. If you want a Direct Debit Instruction form get in touch with us on: 01347 833800 and we'll get one to you immediately.

Also, don't forget that if you are paying your own BIGGA Membership subscription fees you can apply to the tax office for a refund of 23% of the subscription amount. If you are a Head Greenkeeper or Course Manager paying £117 then this could save you nearly £27.

This is because BIGGA is recognised by the Inland Revenue as a legitimate professional body. Membership fees to such bodies are eligible for tax relief. All you need to do is get a form from us and send the completed form to your local tax office.

If you are retiring or leaving the trade, you don't have to say goodbye to your BIGGA Membership. There are many different types of memberships that BIGGA can offer you. For retiring greenkeepers BIGGA has a Retired Membership with full benefits or a Retired Membership with limited benefits. Just give us a call for more information.

If you are leaving the greenkeeping profession, why not join BIGGA as an associate member so you can still be a part of the Association?

### Message for the Section Secretaries

At BIGGA Headquarters we would like you to send us your dates so that we can update the website. Please email them to: vanessa@bigga.co.uk along with any other information that you would like us to publicise on the BIGGA website.