Overall winner and 2010 National Championship place. Stuart Rogers, 40 pts
Guest & Trade Prize, Matt Wise. Nearest the Pin, Tom Bownes. Longest Drive, Tom Bownes.

Back in July I spent six very pleasant days at Turnberry, for the Open Championship, working on the BIGGA Support team. What an absolutely fantastic experience, not only being out there with some of the best players in the world. But also the ambiance between my fellow greenkeepers, not only on the Support team, but also with the Turnberry staff as well. The course was fantastic (the TV cameras did not lie). The early mornings and the long days did nothing so spoil my enjoyment, even down to the 420-mile journey each way. I was even up at 5am on the Tuesday after my return to resume my normal work (though, thank God, there was no rake propped against my office door).

Our next event is the AGM and winter team event, so make up your teams, there must be two BIGGA in a team of four. Entry forms on the web site soon.

Finally, the AGM. It’s time to elect your committee, this year the Chairman and Secretary have both resigned from office due to work and family commitments, so we are looking for members who are willing to join the committee and work towards improving the section both in membership and stature. All officers of the committee are up for re-election and anyone wishing to be nominated should contact Martin Forrester no later than Monday, November 23 which will be the day that you also need to have any items that you wish brought up at the meeting, with the secretary.

Contact for Martin. 07984-867939 or mdwforrester@hotmail.com

If you do have any news for the website or for Greenkeeper International, please contact me on 07764 862 337 or via email essxbigga@talktalk.net

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Press Officer

The Royal Burgess Golfing Society of Edinburgh

Head Greenkeeper

- Manage all aspects of the course and clubhouse surroundings to the highest standards (including preparation, presentation, maintenance and improvements).
- Line manage, motivate and develop training programmes for an experienced team of greenkeepers

The Person
- Qualified, as a minimum to NVQ level 3 or equivalent in sports turf management
- Proven record in leadership and management skills with experience of maintaining a parkland style course with typical soil conditions to a high standard
- Able to demonstrate a knowledge of basic construction methods to carry out general improvements to a golf course
- A fine eye for attention to detail

Salary and benefits will be by negotiation dependent upon experience and qualifications.

Applications are invited for the position of Head Greenkeeper at Rosslare Golf Club, Co. Wexford, Ireland.

Rosslare Golf Club is a long established private members golf club, founded in 1905, comprising 2 courses with associated practice range, putting and chipping greens. We are situated in the South East corner of Ireland in the village of Rosslare on a narrow sandy peninsula fringing Wexford harbour.

The 'Old Course' is an 18hole Hawtree and Taylor par 72 layout of 6786 yards. The 'Burrow' course, opened in 1990 is a 12 hole par 46 layout of 3956 yards designed by Christy O'Connor Jnr. Both courses are situated on typical 'links' land.

The vacancy arises due to the planned retirement in 2010 of our long serving head green-keeper. We are now seeking applications from persons who are interested in the position and can demonstrate strong abilities in all aspects of green-keeping in a 'links' environment. The successful candidate will be capable of organizing, motivating and managing the green-keeping team and must bring a high standard of presentation to the links. Candidate’s will ideally possess all relevant green keeping qualifications,will have a history of success in a similar position and will:

- Be able to implement Health and Safety and other relevant legislation.
- Understand and assist in the preparation of an annual budget and manage the agreed budget.
- Motivate, manage and supervise the green-keeping team.
- Implement a plan for the establishment of a sustainable environmentally friendly course.
- Prepare and implement training plans to meet the needs of the existing staff.
- Manage and maintain the course machinery including an automated irrigation system.

The salary for this position is negotiable.

Closing Date for applications is Nov. 20th 2009

Applications in writing including a full CV to The Hon. Secretary, Rosslare Golf Club, Rosslare, Co Wexford. Tel: +353 53 91 32203
e-mail – manager@rosslaregolf.com
website - www.rosslaregolf.com

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