CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 International yachting regatta last held in 2003 (8,3)
7 Prevent from speaking (3)
9 US comic actor who played Coach Calhoun in the Grease films (3,6)
10 From that time (5)
11 Snow sport transport (3-4)
13 Greek letter, equivalent of O (7)
14 Composition by George Gershwin - anagram of PRUDISH BALONEY (8,2,4)
16 Fictional detective whose brother is called Mycroft (8,6)
20 Put into practice (7)
21 Star Trek craft captained by Kathryn Janeway (7)
22 Diacritical mark used to indicate short vowel sound (5)
23 Strips of timber typically used in N American house construction (9)
25 The band famous for "There She Goes" (3)
26 US national park located primarily in Wyoming (11)

DOWN
1 Help, be of service (6)
2 1978 Alan Parker film whose title is prison slang for an attempted escape (8,7)
3 Traditional Scandinavian rug (3)
4 Kingdom surrounded entirely by the Republic of South Africa (7)
5 Hasty, perfunctory (7)
6 Traditional Lent performance (7,4)
7 Argentine battleship sunk during the Falklands conflict (7,8)
8 Channel Island whose capital is St Peter Port (8)
12 Without caution (11)
15 City whose soccer teams include Galatasaray and Fenerbahce (8)
17 Supplement to a will (7)
18 Willing to try (often, to prevent a crime as it is committed) (4-1-2)
19 Upper part of the nose (6)
24 Form of public transport (3)

MONSTER SUDOKU
Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 9 box shape contains the numbers 0 to 9 and the letters A to E.

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

QUICK ‘NINE HOLE’ QUIZ
1. Tiger Wood’s won the Bridgestone Invitational to bring up a significant number of wins on the PGA Tour. Was it 50, 60 or 70?
2. In the days of the old football stadia – who played at Roker Park, Highfield Road and Muirton Park?
3. Which World Heavyweight Champion had an unbeaten record of 49 wins?
4. Which was the last club Fabio Capello managed before joining England?
5. Who holds the record for the most successful consecutive kicks in international rugby union?
6. Which two sports have been recommended to become Olympic Sports in 2016?
7. Which of these courses has not hosted an Open Golf Championship – Musselburgh; Royal Portrush; Royal Dornoch or Prestwick?
8. Who are England’s leading Test Cricket run scorer and wicket taker?
9. Name Britain’s last five Formula 1 World Champions.
THE 2009 OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP, TURNBERRY

Through Greenkeeper International Magazine, may I post a few thanks in your letters column.

I would like to express my thanks for all the help from the BIGGA support team during the tournament; it was satisfying to know that they were there in the background in case of any emergency.

I would also like to thank our volunteers and friends from local clubs as well as former colleagues from as far afield as Dubai, New Zealand and Australia, you were indeed a great help and made our job so much easier, ‘but I do wonder about their sanity’ who on earth would get out of their bed at 3 in the morning and go to work? And then come back in the evening and work until 10.30pm... unpaid?

I cannot speak highly enough of my own staff, they have all put in a tremendous effort these past couple of years with added pressure of additional construction, not only on the Ailsa Course but also our other courses, and not forgetting the gardens and grounds. During this time we have had new owners that have invested heavily in the refurbishment of the Hotel and also upgraded our golf course equipment, so their expectations are high, (and the noose gets tighter).

As this preparation was for my last Tournament, I was so pleased for all concerned, the organisers, (R&A), all at Turnberry and of course the Players, it was a great success and the Golf Course was enjoyed by all, with some fabulous TV viewing worldwide.

A special thanks to my Head Greenkeepers, Martin, Jimmy, Tom, and assistants, Dennis, Johnny, and Morris. Not forgetting Jim & Elfie in the workshop and, of course, Jackie, admin.

Since my arrival at Turnberry I have been most fortunate to have accumulated a professional and dedicated crew over these past 24 years and thank you all for your support over the years.

A big thank you also to all my friends in the trade, some going back more than 40 years! Your support has been invaluable not only to me but the industry in general.

As I hand over the reins to Euan, a special thank you, as he has made these past six months so much more enjoyable by taking much of the strain, his commitment and enthusiasm will put him in good stead to keep Turnberry at the top and I wish him and his Family every happiness for the Future.

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