NEW Membership Benefit

Check out the members area of the BIGGA website for the new “How To...” guides available exclusively to BIGGA Members on a range of Human Resource topics. These short, handy guides provide practical, step-by-step guidance on a range of subjects. The guides can be downloaded and used to help you develop your knowledge and implement new processes within your workplace.

Section and Region Events

Visit the ‘Event’s Section on BIGGA’s website to have a look at what’s on around the UK, www.biggaco.org.uk select ‘EVENTS’ from across the top row.

Section Events

Well done to members of the Open Support Team in successfully supporting Gordon Moir, Director of Greenkeeping and Gordon McGregor, Head Greenkeeper and their team in managing the Old Course at St Andrews during last month’s Open Championship.

To be part of the Open Support Team is a fantastic opportunity to see golf at the very highest level from a privileged position – inside the ropes. It’s hard work but worth the effort. To apply to be part of the team for the Open 2011 at Royal St George’s look out for the invitation to apply in the December and January editions of GI or talk to Scott MacCalman or Rachael Duffy at BIGGA HQ.

Most skin cancers are caused by long-term exposure to the sun and research has shown that those who work outdoors are more at risk of skin cancer due to this fact. It is thought that there could be as many as 100,000 new cases of skin cancer each year in the UK, but many aren’t reported.

Skin Cancer and the sun

Some Sun Smart advice

- Make sure you never burn
- Aim to cover up with T shirt, hat and sunglasses
- Use factor 15+ sunscreen (sun cream)

Cheap sunblocks are usually just as good as expensive ones. They are all tested the same way and it is the level of protection they give you against the sun that matters most.

- This is the ‘sun protection factor’ or SPF.
- The SPF tells you the amount of protection the sun cream gives against UVB radiation.
- Cancer Research UK recommend at least factor 15. This is because: it gives the best balance between protection and cost.

Service actions of the Open Support Team 2010

Congratulations to the BIGGA Open Support Team

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