Tastecard success
You pleased to report that quite a number of you took advantage of the tastecard offer last month, as advertised in last month’s magazine and on the BIGGA Website.

We hope you enjoyed treating the family to a great lunch or dinner at one of thousands of national chain restaurants around the country, not to mention many local restaurants in your area and save money!

Don’t forget if you have an iPhone or Android or Blackberry download your ‘app’ now (Blackberry coming soon)!

Or visit www.tastecard.co.uk to search for your nearest participating restaurants.

We may offer this benefit again later on in the year, watch this space or visit the BIGGA Website for details.

Brad Anderson, Membership Services Administrator is leaving BIGGA
After ten years with the Association Brad is moving on. He is taking up the post of Manager of a local pub in Horsham where he has been working part time on an evening for around two years.

I’m sure you will join me in wishing him all the best for his future career and thank him for all his hard work over the last ten years.

Good luck Brad.

Please bear with us in the Membership Department until suitable replacement is found.

We will endeavour to continue providing the high level of service to our members.

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Outdoors

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Skin Cancer and outside work

I love this time of year as I look outside my window at work I see all the trees starting to bloom and colour up, the different colours showing in the sunshine, so pretty, definitely signs of Spring and Summer.

However, the sun starts to increase in intensity and for people working outside this can be an issue.

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 cases of skin cancer each year in the UK, but many aren’t reported.

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.

Prevention is better than cure.

Social Networking

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Rothley Park Golf Club

Mechanic / Greenkeeper

Leicestershire's premier golf club has an opportunity for a qualified mechanic/greenkeeper to become part of their team.

Rothley Park golf club is looking for a suitably qualified mechanic, who has also acquired skills in greenkeeping, to join our committed course management team.

The successful candidate will report to the Course Manager and be responsible for all aspects of machinery maintenance, servicing, grinding cylinders, repairs, service records and health & safety in the modern workshop facility. The role also includes carrying out general greenkeeping duties on the golf course to support the rest of the team.

You will ideally have a proven track record and experience of working in a golf club environment. You will be self motivated, reliable and take pride in your work. The successful candidate will be responsible for the course preparation and condition; management of the greenkeeping staff; management of the course budget and expenditure.

Salary negotiate depending on qualifications and experience.

Candidates should apply by submitting an up to date CV and covering letter to clubmanager@rothleypark.co.uk or post to: Mr D. Spillane, Club Manager, Rothley Park Golf Club, Westfield Lane, Rothley, Leicestershire, LE7 7LH.

The closing date for applications is Friday 27th May 2011

Camberley Heath Golf Club, Surrey

requires a COURSE MANAGER

Camberley Heath is a Harry Colt gem and many of his original features remain intact. The course boasts a beautifully maintained 6S par 72 course, that varies in length from 6120 to 5290 yards and a wonderful quarter of short par 4s. The course is set on a 130 acre site with evergreen trees and a water feature on the putting green.

The successful candidate will be a deputy looking for their first head of department role.

Experience on a heathland course is essential, as is an understanding and appreciation of the game of golf.

An excellent salary is on offer and on-site accommodation available.

Applications should be emailed to cdonovan@camberleyheathgolfclub.co.uk explaining why they are interested in and qualified for this exciting new role.

Candidates should apply by submitting an up to date CV and covering letter, or mailed to C. Donovan, General Manager, Camberley Heath Golf Club, Golf Drive, Camberley, Surrey, GU15 1JG.

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