AROUND THE GREEN

please make sure you keep up your standard of dress as previously: jackets and ties worn at lunch, no jeans to be worn at all - ever! I look forward to meeting old friends and hopefully creating many new ones throughout the year.

RICHARD WHYMANN

NORTH EAST

July 22nd saw the annual battle between secretaries and greenkeepers at Whickham GC, the event going in favour of the greenkeepers, who won by 4-2. The NE section would like to thank Mr Arnie Evans for kindly donating a salver and presenting this to the winning team - this fine trophy will be played for annually.

Our Autumn Competition will be held at Stocksfield GC on Sept 10th. Though this issue of Greenkeeper International is unlikely to reach you before the event, I will list some changes: The format, usually 27 holes, changes to a nine hole (optional) sweep a.m., followed by 18 holes (drawn) stroke play. Arrive early.

Stewards of Edinburgh have kindly asked us to visit their turf nurseries in the autumn. Transport will be arranged and the date will be at the end of October - beginning of November. Interested participants should discuss this with Stewards rep. at the Stocksfield GC event.

The match against SE Scotland will again be held at Coswick, with the date yet to be confirmed.

Congratulations to Tony McLure, assistant greenkeeper at Whickham GC, on winning the Durham County Stroke Play Championship. Also to Craig Kilgour, assistant greenkeeper at Ponteland GC, on retaining the Durham County Matchplay Championship.

Isleki qualifiers for the North East did us proud again at the regional finals at Bury GC. Steve Cram and Robert Bell, both of Slaley Hall GC, qualified for the final, as did Michael Gunn of Tyneside GC - Good luck, lads!

JIMMY RICHARDSON

NORTH WALES

To all section members I would like to say how disappointed I am at the response (or lack of it) to my call for information to put in the magazine. Members must realise that without such information it is very difficult to write reports - so please call me with any news, no matter how insignificant.

On a lighter note, congratulations to Caerwyn GC on the opening of their new clubhouse and to Mr. K. Burton at Wrexham GC for the excellent condition of the course for the Welsh Boys Championship.

A date to put in your diary is Oct. 14th for our Autumn Golf Tournament at Chirk GC&CC. Application forms will be available nearer the time from Terry Adamson.

Best wishes go to Jason Moody on his move from Royal St David's to first assistant at Chirk GC&CC.

ROYAL ST. DAVID'S player hosted a new professional indeed when Nigel Mansell and an R.S.T.D. member played a four ball better ball against Roger and John Kerry in a most competitive match. I think Roger and John must have given Nigel a few tips on how to drive, for he went on to win the British Grand Prix at Silverstone (Nice one lads!).

DAVID PROCTOR

EAST SCOTLAND

This month's congratulations must go to Chris Whittle and his staff for the excellent condition of Muirfield, the venue for the Open Championship - it certainly was a credit to them. However, Chris, I certainly wouldn't want the task of clearing up. It would break my heart to see so many people trudging over my course and leaving the debris that some of the punters left behind. It was my pleasure to have met you, Chris, and I hope to see you again shortly.

This was the first Open I have attended for many years, due to my being on holiday at this time - but it will not be my last. My eyes were certainly opened to the hard work and organisation of the BIGGA board and magazine committee, the office staff and members of BIGGA. Neil Thomas and his staff do a great job of flying the flag for the British greenkeeper.

It was so nice to meet people socially for the first time: Neil Thomas and the girls from head office; David Golding; David White; Bill Lynch; chairman Roy Kates and his family... Yes – you may bet I will return next year.

The BIGGA National Golf Tournament in 1993 will be held at Dunbar GC from Aug 1st-4th and it is hoped that a large attendance will come from the section. Graham Wood, Stuart Greenwood and myself met Neil and David Golding prior to The Open and all arrangements were made.

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WILLIE BLAIR

DEVON & CORNWALL

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David Murphy, territory sales manager for Sullivan Supplies, recently underwent a kidney operation. I am sure everyone will be wishing David a successful convalescence and return to work!

The Isle Regional final was held on July 17th at Brocket Hall GC. Unfortunately we lost some of our qualifiers, who went to The Open at Muirfield instead. Alan Grew from Berkhamsted and Brian Piggot from Buckingham qualified for the national final later in the year. Our team came an overall second.

The Autumn Tournament will be held at Woburn GC on Oct. 27th. If anyone needs an entry form please contact Chris Brook on 0462 444288 or Paul Lockett on 0525 402550 - we will be happy to send these to you.

PAUL LOCKETT

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KENT
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BOB DENNIS

MIDLAND REGION
Brocton Hall GC, Stafford, was the venue for the Iseki Regional Final, held on Thursday 16th Jan. Graeme Patrick, our regional chairman, thanked the captain and committee of Brocton Hall for giving us courtesy of their course and for the hospitality that was shown to us, Eddie Denton, head greenkeeper and his staff for a course well prepared and in a most excellent condition, and the catering staff for a meal that was second to none. Cath and Grace also received thanks for their sterling work in doing the cards/raffle etc. Tony Snaithe of Iseki presented the winners with their prizes, the team prize going for the second year running to the East Midlands Section.


Best of luck to all our regional winners in the National Iseki Final to be held at the Coventry Golf Club on September 24th.

ROGER WILLARS

LONDON
The London section held its second competition of the year at Wyke Green GC on June 2nd. The competition was played by twenty greenkeepers, which was a low turn-out — perhaps some of those missing were still trying to get their irrigation systems working! Nevertheless, it was good to see some new faces and we should all keep encouraging greenkeepers to join the Association.

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ANDREW PHILIPS

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Ashton Hall
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require a
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Rowlands Castle Golf Club

WORKING

HEAD GREENKEEPER

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52  1993. Gordon McKie even managed to get his photograph in the 'Independent'. We await the signed versions for general release! We welcome four new members to the section: Thane Lawrie - Aberdeen, David Scott - Westhill, Colin Burgess - Moray District Council and Alistair Angus - Elgin. Older members should remember Alistair, who was a regular to section outings before he left greenkeeping. It's good to see him back in his old job at Elgin Golf Club.

I'm sure members are united in wishing Jim McCormac of Kirriemuir a speedy recovery from his accident.

Our autumn outing will be at Kingussie this month and I hope to see a big turnout. Mike Wilson is head greenkeeper and we look forward to meeting him and playing his course. See you all there.

IAIN MACLEOD

CLEVELAND

Belated congratulations to Roger Shaw and his wife on the birth of a son, now five months old.

CLEVELAND

who made the evening game a success, also to Webster in representing Cleveland BIGGA. The roll; N Hamilton; N Dawson; D Cook and J Walker.

Your committee are in the process of arranging Autumn Tournament at Kinross GC, courtesy of Autum Tournament at Kinross GC, courtesy of

Our autumn tournament is being arranged for late September and details will be available (via newsletter) from Roger.

I am sorry to inform members that Gordon White, ex head greenkeeper at Castle Eden GC, has died. We are sorry to lose an old friend. Brian Hull is the newly appointed head greenkeeper at a new course at Breton, near Saltburn in E. Cleveland. Congratulations Brian and welcome to this area.

BRUCE BURNELL

CENTRAL SCOTLAND

Your committee are in the process of arranging events for the autumn/winter period - whatever happened to summer? Some suggestions put forward include a return visit to the Monkourch course at Glenegles and a visit to Souther Sports turf at Stirling. It is hoped to include a lecture or demonstration at each of these events.

Dates confirmed are: Thursday Oct 8 - The Autumn Tournament at Kinross GC, courtesy of the Kinross Estate Co. Thursday Nov 26 - section AGM and SISIS demonstration at Alloa GC. Friday Dec 4 - The grand prize dinner draw at Stirling GC, with guest speaker Mr Ernie Walker.

Tickets for the grand prize draw will be circulated shortly and it is hoped that members will make every effort to sell their allocation. Tickets will also be available for the dinner in December, so if you wish to attend please get your order in quickly. Full details of all events will be circulated in due course.

Having attended the Scottish Tournament at Kingsknowe and The Open, it was heartening to see a number of section members taking part in both events - well done lads!

Win a trip to BTME at Harrogate: All Central Scotland section assistants and apprentices will soon receive details of a questionnaire/short essay paper which they will be asked to complete - there's no obligation and it's up to the individual - with an award in each category being an expenses paid trip to BTME, Harrogate in Jan 1993 - sorry lads, the 'expenses' do not include beer or entertainments money!

Remember that points for your MGC award can be gained by attending section education events.

Membership: section membership has now topped the 150 mark, which is very encouraging; though there are still a great many greenkeepers in our area who are not members - they don't know what they are missing - so if you know any of them, try to encourage their attendance at some of our events and let them see at first hand the benefits to be gained from being a BIGGA member.

Who wants fifty greenkeepers for a day? Venues are being sought for future section outings in April and October each year. If anyone is willing to accommodate 40/50 greenkeepers 'on the staff' for a day, please get in touch.

The section are now proud owners of a plaque presented by headquarters in recognition of our £200 donation to the Education and Development Fund.

JOHN CRAWFORD

EAST MIDLANDS

I am pleased to report that the East Midlands team has once again enjoyed success in the ISEKI competition. In the regional final held at Brocton Hall on Jul 16, our 11-man squad was successful in carrying off the team prize, with Steve Goode and Ian Dunmore both winning their categories and Russell Allen finishing a creditable third in the top category. Congratulations to all the team. I am expecting another interesting competition to see who keeps the shield.

Walter Cole tells me that he has lost one of his rising stars, so good luck to Steve Tolley in his new position at the Seagrave development.

It has been my pleasure every time I have written for 'Around The Green' to welcome new members, and this month is no exception. So, welcome to Barry Kikline of Notts Golf Club. If I have missed anybody out this year please let me know.

LES SHRUBB has found it necessary to reconsider? The new half year subscription rates are very reasonable.

TOBY HOWHURST

SUSSEX

Our third outing took us to Brighton for a visit to the Dyke GC. The weather was dry but extremely windy, which made play pretty difficult to say the least. Most of the time was spent looking at more woody areas of the golf course!

Anyway, the course was in good condition and very well presented considering the lack of rainfall of late. Well done to Dave Ranger and his staff.

The competition consisted of two 18 hole Stableford's the morning round sponsored by Faun, the afternoon by Thameside Soils. The results were: AM - 1st Stuart Sheffiel (Isfield) 40, 2nd Peter Ray (Haywards Heath) 39, 3rd George Barr (Hun Manor) 37. Trad & Gues Chris Meldrum 36, Gary Ogilvie 34. PM - 1st Duncan Hatto (L. Brighton) 35, 2nd Chris Red (Faskill Park) 33 (on countback), 3rd Mike Barrington (Lingfield Park) 33.

We also held two further competitions - longest drive, won by Dyke greenkeeper, Robert Hudson (he obviously knew all the fairway contours) and nearest the pin, won by David Cole. He, incidentally, was the only player to actually find the green! Peter Ray thought the near pin was on the fifth and promptly sunk a hole-in-one! The day finished with a superb buffet course dinner and prize giving. Our thanks to the caterers and Dyke GC for their hospitality.

Other news: Peter Ray qualified for the big finals and we wish him luck - his prize from us was immediate election to the Sussex commit tee. Due to an extra workload as head greenkeeper at the newly constructed Welbourne GC, Les Shrub has found it necessary to stand down from committee and George Barr has succeeded him as chairman.

One final note: our next meeting will be at Bognor GC on Sept 30. All applications must be accompanied by payment - no entry!

We also need to stimulate larger turn-out at our golf meetings, so more new faces please For those regulars, why not chivvy-up your staff and get them to come along - it is in all of our long-term interests to keep the section thriving.

MARK WILTON

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