Burhill Golf Centres Ltd

Burhill Golf Centres is a progressive company, currently operating 11 golf courses in the UK. Two qualified and experienced senior staff are needed to take prominent roles in developing two of our centres further.

HEAD GREENKEEPER
Thornbury Golf Centre
36 holes & driving range, near Bristol

DEPUTY HEAD GREENKEEPER
Birchwood Park Golf Centre
27 holes & driving range, near Swanley, Kent

In return for providing you with an attractive package, excellent resources and pleasant working environment, we require leadership, motivational and organisational skills, the ability to manage resources and a commitment to continual improvement.

If you wish to progress your career and believe you can thrive in either of these challenging roles, we will be pleased to hear from you.

Applications in writing with full cv including current salary, to be received by 22 January 2001, to:
Mr B Taylor, Regional Operations Manager, Burhill Golf Centres Ltd
Burhill, WALTON-ON-THAMES, Surrey KT12 4BX

The Marriott Forest of Arden Hotel & Country Club is a 214 bedroomed 4-star hotel surrounded by two 18-hole golf courses. The championship Arden Course is one of the most famous golf courses in England and in recent years, hosted by the British Masters. From 2000 to 2002, the Arden Course will play host to the Compass Group English Open.

As part of the Whitbread Hotel Company, we offer competitive salaries and excellent benefits packages eg. discount cards for Whitbread outlets, use of golf and leisure facilities at the Marriott Forest of Arden, 2 free weekends per year service in any UK Marriott, company pension scheme, share savings scheme, free uniform and meals on duty, training and development, etc.

We are currently seeking enthusiastic, hardworking professionals to join our greenkeeping team:

HEAD GREENKEEPER
Reporting to the Golf Estate Manager, the successful applicant will be a qualified and experienced greenkeeper with the ability to maintain a championship golf course on a day-to-day operational basis and to lead and motivate a large greenkeeping team. Experience of working at European Tour Event in a supervisory capacity is essential.

Qualifications required:
- Minimum NVQ Level 3 or HNC/HND Golf Course Management
- Minimum of 5 years experience at a Supervisory Level
- Spraying Certificates - PA1, PA2, PA6
- Knowledge of Rainbird Irrigation Systems

ASSISTANT GREENKEEPERS
NVQ Level 2 and underpinning experience are the minimum requirements.

STUDENT/TEMPORARY GREENKEEPERS
Required from March - October 2001

Should you be interested in any of the above positions, then please apply in writing enclosing an updated Curriculum Vitae and current salary and benefits details.

Ms. Denise J Waite, Human Resources Manager, Marriott Forest of Arden Hotel and Country Club, Maxstoke Lane, Meriden, Warwickshire CV7 7HR

Closing date for applications: January 31st, 2001
LEES HALL GOLF CLUB, SHEFFIELD

Requires an

ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER

To join the staff maintaining a pleasant 18 hole Private Golf Course. Experience and qualifications to NVQ Level 2, PA1, PA2 and PA6 would be an advantage. Further facilities for training will be available. The salary will be negotiable according to experience and qualifications.

PLEASE APPLY IN WRITING WITH FULL CV TO:

The Secretary, Lees Hall Golf Club Limited, Hemsworth Road, Norton, SHEFFIELD S8 8LL

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Course Manager
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Must be experienced and able to work to BIGGA specifications NVQ4 or equivalent

Application forms from:
Secretary/Manager, Scarborough North Cliff Golf Club, North Cliff Avenue, Scarborough, N.Yorkshire Y012 6PP
Closing date for completed forms: January 25th 2001

ELY CITY GOLF CLUB

HEAD GREENKEEPER
Applications are required for a self motivated, enthusiastic Head Greenkeeper to take charge of the course and the well qualified, hard working staff.

Salary and conditions will be commensurate with qualifications and experience and will reflect the importance of the position.

Ely City Golf Club has 800 playing members, playing on a 18 hole parkland course of 6627yds. The Club and its excellent facilities are regularly used for County and Regional events.

Apply in writing with a full CV to:
The Club Manager, Ely City Golf Club, 107 Cambridge Road, Ely, Cambridgeshire CB7 4HX
The closing date for applications is Wednesday 24th January 2001

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Thorness would seem to be an awful long way out on the Suffolk coast but it didn’t deter a large number of South East Region members from attending their annual Seminar there. This was another place that I have visited for the first time this year and another one pencilled into the memory box to return to, on a holiday next time. The Seminar was excellent, all the speakers were so interesting, talking about the ‘Future of Greenkeeping’. Mind you it’s often a bit scary when you get a glimpse of what lies ahead and when I see the enormous advances made in recent years I sometimes think I’m glad I’m coming to the end of my career. My thanks to the South East Region - their Chairman, Ray Day, and RA, Derek Fanting, and especially to Ian Willett who seemed to be everywhere making sure all was well, he even appeared next morning to advise me on the road conditions. Thanks to you all, I thoroughly enjoyed my time.

The two main questions I have been asked are “Don’t you enjoy your retirement?” and “What has been the highlight?” The answers are of course I have, and there have been no highlights as such, just a lot of educational and interesting and rewarding experiences. Attending the World Education Conference and the FEQGA Conference and communicating greenkeeping matters with so many different nationalities, including delegates even from Russia there were no dull days.

Receiving the Green Apple Award on Bigga’s behalf for the Environment competition. Unfortunately Rod Baker, from Kilmacolm, must have been a bit low so it was great news to see that he received the competition could not be there to accept his award, although you did not win you must be pretty good to get this far. My thanks also to Cliff for standing in for me.

Unfortunately because I had to go to Germany I was unable to attend the Presentation of the Environment Awards held this year at the winning club the Dyke GC. My congratulations to David Arnell and his team and congratulations also to the runners-up, although you did not win you must be pretty good to get this far. My thanks also to Cliff for standing in for me.

I must offer a word to an old friend at this point after having won through to the final of the Toro Award for Excellence in Greenkeeping and then the Environment Competition and just missing out both times. Ronnie Bunting, from Kilmacolm, must have been a bit gutted because no great news and no matter he is one of the first to achieve the Committee to Green Recognition. Well done Ronnie. You deserve it and knowing your determination I know you will be back. Ronnie was my first assistant many years ago and I was amused one day on approaching the workshop to hear Ronnie talking to a piece of machinery we were having a problem with. As he wrestled with a seized part his words were “You’ll go”. “By jingo you’ll go” “You little b you’ll go”. by this time his voice was getting louder. However, another two threats not to be repeated here and an ex-student “I told you you would go”. A determination never to be beaten and a passion for nature, learning and education, qualities of Ronnie’s which many young greenkeepers should aspire to.

Well this will be the last column that I will write as your Chairman before handover over to Clive at the AGM at BTME. The two main questions I have been asked are “What was the competition?” and “What has been the highlight?” The answers are of course I have, and there have been no highlights as such, just a lot of educational and interesting and rewarding experiences. Attending the World Education Conference and the FEQGA Conference and communicating greenkeeping matters with so many different nationalities, including delegates even from Russia there were no dull days.

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Talking to the winners and runners-up at the Toro Awards and seeing the pride and confidence they had in their own ability.

My final thought is; We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give.
If you are employed as a greenkeeper, at college studying greenkeeping, or involved in any way with the fine turf industry, then BIGGA membership could benefit you. To find out more about membership, fill in this card and send it to us today.

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