Recruitment

CHOBHAM GOLF CLUB

Applications are invited for the position of
HEAD GREENKEEPER

Approximately nine years old Chobham Golf Club is a private members Golf Club situated between the villages of Knaphill and Chobham. Chobham is a pretty parkland course around 6000 yards, par 69, on USGA greens and was designed by the Peter Allis Clive Clark Partnership.

The successful applicant will be responsible to the Management Committee and Green Committee to carry out course policy and meet the required presentation standards but will report on a day-to-day basis to the General Manager. He will possess the following key attributes and skills:

• Some experience of leading a team at Head Greenkeeper level - a strong man-manager who can motivate and lead from the front.
• Suitably qualified or with commitment to achieve the high levels demanded by the members.
• Sound knowledge of modern course management techniques and a hands on approach.
• Experience of current health and safety regulations.
• Able to manage resource through good time management skills.
• To be able to budget for course needs, monitor and work within annual budgets.
• Manage projects to set standards and within agreed timescales.

In addition to the day-to-day appearance of a busy members course there are development plans in place to continue the improvements made so far.

Closing Date – 7th March 2003.

Applications in writing to include a full CV to:

Adrian Dawson, General Manager, Chobham Golf Club, Chobham Road, Knaphill, Woking, Surrey GU21 2TZ
Tel: 01276 855564 Website http://www.chobhamgolfclub.co.uk

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The ideal candidate will have a good knowledge of the amenity irrigation business, an understanding of irrigation design and preferably experience of irrigation contracting and the landscape and sportsfield construction industries.

The position involves nationwide travel and a full clean driving licence is essential.

We offer an excellent benefits package that includes basic salary, plus pension and life insurance scheme (after qualifying period).

If you think you have all the qualities we are looking for, apply in the first instance to: Christine Wilson, Lely (UK) Limited, Toro Division, Station Road, St Neots, Cambridgeshire, PE19 1QH. Tel: 01480 226800 or email christine.wilson@lely.co.uk
MOBBERLEY GOLF CLUB

Applications are invited for the position of

HEAD GREENKEEPER

Mobberley Golf Club is a 9 hole proprietary “pay and play” course with membership which opened in 1995.

The successful applicant should possess the following:

• The appropriate qualifications and certificates
• An enthusiastic self starter and “hands on” person who can further develop the natural potential of this picturesque young course.
• Excellent communication and leadership skills.
• A comprehensive knowledge of course maintenance machinery.
• A sound knowledge of Health and Safety regulations.
• Ability to efficiently manage resources.

Applications with full C.V. and current salary by 24th February 2003:

The Manager, Mobberley Golf Club, Burleyhurst Lane, Mobberley, Knutsford, Cheshire WA16 7JZ.

NEWQUAY GOLF CLUB

On the retirement of Mr Paul Bullen after 42 years of service, applications are invited for the position of

HEAD GREENKEEPER

Founded in 1980 Newquay Golf Club is a traditional Links course, running parallel to the world famous Fistral surfing beach.

The successful applicant must possess the appropriate qualifications and have a proven track record in all aspects of modern golf management and maintenance.

Expertise relating to traditional Links courses is particularly important. The position demands an enthusiastic, self-motivated individual with the personal skills necessary to lead and motivate a team of greenkeepers to further develop the natural potential of the course.

We will be offering an excellent remuneration package to the successful candidate including a generous pension scheme.

Mr Bullen will be retiring in July 2003 and it is anticipated that the new applicant will be in a position to commence in May or June 2003.

Closing date 31st March 2003

Applications to: The Secretary, Newquay Golf Club, Tower Road, NEWQUAY, Cornwall, TR7 1LT

ORSETT GOLF CLUB LTD

(Venue of The Open Championship Regional Qualifier) require a

HEAD GREENKEEPER

Established over 100 years ago this heathland course is a regular venue for The Open Regional Qualifier as well as many County Championship events.

The Club is seeking to appoint an experienced greenkeeper who is capable of maintaining a Championship Standard Course to the highest standard.

Candidates should have had at least 5 years experience in a similar post although any deputy head greenkeepers who have drive and ambition are also encouraged to apply.

In the first instance, a current C.V. should be sent to the Club Manager, after which, applicants will be invited to complete an application form detailing the specific requirements of the position.

Salary will be negotiable with accommodation available on site.

Applications to:

The Club Manager, Orsett Golf Club Ltd, Brentwood Road, Orsett, Essex RM16 3DS
Tel: 01375 891352 Fax: 01375 892471
e-mail: secatorsetttgc@aol.com

CHARTHILLS GOLF CLUB

Designed by Nick Faldo and voted the “best new course in England” by Golf Word Magazine. We invite applications for the position of

ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER

We are seeking an enthusiastic, reliable, experienced individual to join our professional team. Applicants should be qualified to NVQ 2 and have a minimum of 2-3 years experience.

Applications in writing with current C.V. to

Paul Hobden, Course Manager,
Chart Hills Golf Club, Weeks Lane, Biddenden, Kent TN27 8JX.

HALLAMSHIRE GOLF CLUB

Est. 1897

have a vacancy for an

ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER

An enthusiastic Assistant is required to join our hard working and professional team. Qualified to NVQ Level 2 - PA1, 2 and 6 would be an advantage. Excellent pay and conditions.

Apply in writing to:-

The Secretary, Hallamshire Golf Club, Sandygate, Sheffield, South Yorkshire S10 4LA
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This classic 4 star deluxe country house hotel seeks an experienced and dedicated team player for their fine Golf Course.

Qualified to NVQ Level 2 and Spraying Certificate preferred, but not essential.

Our benefits package includes competitive salaries, flexible hours, free meals on duty, accommodation if required and excellent training and career opportunities within this international hotel chain.

Closing date for applications: Friday 7th March 2003.

Send a full CV to:

Personnel Department, Le Meridien Selsdon Park & Golf Course,
Addington Road, Sanderstead, South Croydon, CR2 8YA

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**THE ROYAL AUTOMOBILE CLUB**

Set in beautiful countryside near Epsom Downs, this private members club provides the highest standards of service. Facilities include 218 hole golf courses.

**ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER**

Applications are invited from enthusiastic and hard working greenkeepers to join our existing team.

Qualified to NVQ Level 2 with PA1, PA2 and PA6 qualifications essential.

Must have knowledge and training in all modern greenkeeping machinery.

We offer a competitive salary and benefits package including uniform, meals on duty, contributory pension scheme and life and sickness assurance schemes.

Please send your CV to:

Emily Davies, Human Resources Department, Royal Automobile Club, Woodcote Park, Epsom, Surrey, KT18 7EW  Tel: 01372 229282  email: emilyd@royalautomobileclub.co.uk

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**RICHINGS PARK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB**

**ASSISTANT GREENKEEPERS**

to join our young enthusiastic team.

Rates applicable to Standing Committee recommendations.

Applications in writing with C.V to:

Andrew Ross, Course Manager,
Richings Park Golf & Country Club,
North Park, Iver, Bucks, SL0 9DL

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**STOCKS HOTEL & GOLF CLUB**

has a vacancy for an

**ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER**

We currently have a vacancy for a Greenkeeper with a minimum of NVQ Level 2 qualifications to join our existing team on our 18 hole, downland course, set in the heart of the Chiltern Hills.

Salary and conditions negotiable.

Please apply in writing to:

Mark Ellis, Course Manager, Stocks Hotel and Golf Club,
Stocks Road, Aldbury, Nr Tring, Hertfordshire HP23 5RX

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**Batchwood Golf & Tennis Centre**

Applications are invited for the position of:

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Salary £21,000 - £25,000 according to experience and qualifications

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- Experience in all aspects of modern golf course management.
- The ability to recruit, train, motivate, appraise and manage staff.
- The ability to prepare budget proposals and associated reports for the Business Manager.
- A sound knowledge of Health & Safety obligations and the ability to implement them.

Applicants must have professional qualifications including spraying certificates and at least 4 years practical greenkeeping experience.

No accommodation is provided.

All applications by post or email with full current CV to:

Lee Jackson, Business Manager
Batchwood Golf & Tennis Centre, St Albans, Herts AL3 5XA
lee.jackson@leisureconnection.co.uk

Closing date for applications is 23rd February 2003, interviews will be held on Tuesday March 4th 2003.

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Invites applications for the position of
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The successful applicant will be a “hands-on” professional with a
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PA2 and PA6 spraying certificates. He/she should possess strong
motivational skills and the ability to lead from the front.
He/she should be competent in setting and managing budgets in
order to assist the Course Manager in these aspects. He/she will be
expected to stand in for the Course Manager during his absence,
and assist in the planning and monitoring of course maintenance
schedules and course projects.

Remuneration, pension scheme and holidays
to be discussed at interview.
Applications in writing including a full CV
and 2 references to be forwarded to:

The General Manager, Lilley Brook Golf Club,
Cirencester Road, Charlton Kings. Cheltenham GL53 8EG

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Pyle & Kenfig Golf Club is situated overlooking the Bristol Channel
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We are looking for an enthusiastic person qualified to NVQ level 2
and PA1, PA2 and PA6.
Salary will be based on age and experience.
This is an excellent career advancement opportunity.

Please apply in writing with full C.V to:
Mr. R. Hunt, Pyle & Kenfig Golf Club, Waun y Mer, Kenfig,
Bridgend CF33 4PU Email: rayhunt@pandk.freeserve.co.uk

SOUTHERNDOWN GOLF CLUB

Invites applications for the position of
ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER

Southerndown Golf Club is one of Wales most
prestigious, private member clubs.
The course is a championship downland links which will
be hosting the Welsh Amateur Championships in 2003.
The successful applicant will be self-motivated with
suitable experience and a sound knowlegde of all turf
maintenance practices.

He/She should be an enthusiastic and hard working person, reliable
and capable of working efficiently within a team environment.

The club offers excellent working conditions and
meets the Standing Committee recommendations
with added benefits including pension.

Closing date: 25 February 2003
Please apply in writing with full CV to:

Gary Johnston, Course Manager
Southerndown Golf Club,
Ogmore by Sea, Bridgend CF32 0QP

COOMBE HILL GOLF CLUB

require
2 ASSISTANT GREENKEEPERS

The successful applicants will hold NVQ level 2 or equivalent,
PA1, PA2 and PA6.

Have a minimum of 3 years experience and be expected to
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Input into course will be encouraged, together with continued
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Salary in accordance with CGS recommendation
Applications in writing with a full CV to:

Murray Long, Head Greenkeeper, Coombe Hill Golf Club,
Golf Club Drive, Off Coombe Lane West,
Kingston upon Thames, Surrey, KT2 7DF

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Hectic from the Beginning

From the moment Brenda and I arrived at the Majestic Hotel on the Sunday of Harrogate week life has been one hectic whirl and ever since returning to Turnberry I don't seemed to have stopped. Such is life in the 21st century I suppose.

Having said that BIGGA wouldn't have it any other way and the fact that Harrogate 2003 was the busiest yet says much for the success of the most important week in the year for the Association, and perhaps even the industry.

As a kick start to the new year Harrogate is invaluable, giving the trade an early opportunity to meet up with their customers first hand and giving greenkeepers the chance to chat with colleagues and discuss the issues and problems of the day.

That record numbers who attended this year make it extremely gratifying and shows that we are on the right lines.

This year saw the debut of the Clubhouse Show, aimed at Golf Secretaries, Managers and Owners, and it proved to be a great addition to the Harrogate mix. Increasingly over the years more and more club officials have been visiting BTME, usually along with their colleagues on the green staff, so it seemed completely natural to provide them with even more reason to attend.

With over 40 exhibitors, Clubhouse had a very good debut and I'm sure it will go on to become an invaluable element to what is a great week.

That was perhaps already apparent this year with the number of BTME exhibitors who have said that they did record business during the Show. With club officials there, along with their green staff, purchasing decisions could be taken so much quicker than previously, when often recommendations had to be taken back to the clubs before an order could be rubber stamped.

While Clubhouse was another addition to the week another was the Careers Fair, supported by Toro, which provided an opportunity to advertise for new personnel at the Harrogate week, even since we returned to Turnberry, but as the saying goes it hasn't stopped me stopping to smell the flowers. When we got back home our garden was awash with fully bloomed daffodils... and this is the west coast of Scotland in January! Since then, of course, we have had two inches of snow and the daffodils have had a real covering but it just goes to show how the climate has changed.

She "chose her attitude" for the day and that helped keeping her going.

The highlight for me was the AGM during which Richard Barker helped me into my red blazer and I began my year as Chairman. Richard did a superb job of flying the flag for the Association last year and, as members, we all owe him a great deal for the unstinting work he put in on our behalf. Having been Richard's Vice Chairman I have taken the liberty of choosing the very best Vice Chairman I could lay my hands on. I'm sure that Andy Campbell MG CGCS, of Carden Park, will be a superb Vice Chairman and go on to be a wonderful Chairman next year. We are very lucky to have him on board.

I'd like also like to pay tribute to Clive Oswood and Ian Holohan who both stood down from the Board at the AGM and welcome Bert Cross, who joins along with Andy.

I said at the very beginning that it has been extremely hectic since the beginning of Harrogate week, even since we returned to Turnberry, but as the saying goes it hasn't stopped me stopping to smell the flowers. When we got back home our garden was awash with fully bloomed daffodils... and this is the west coast of Scotland in January! Since then, of course, we have had two inches of snow and the daffodils have had a real covering but it just goes to show how the climate has changed.

I wish you all a year in which your problems are small and triumphs are large... and well recognised!

George Brown
Chairman
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