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The Club invites applications for the posts of

COURSE MANAGER

Henbury Golf Club is an 18 hole traditional, but forward thinking private members club established in wooded parkland to the north of Bristol in 1891.

The successful applicant will be responsible for the day-to-day management of the course and its continuing development. They should possess the following attributes:

• A minimum of 5 years experience as Assistant Head or Head Greenkeeper.
• In depth knowledge of turf management, irrigation, drainage & equipment maintenance.
• Recognised greenkeeping/agronomy qualifications (min. NVQ Level 3 or equivalent, PA1, PA2 and PA6 spraying certificates plus chainsaw certificates)
• Strong supervisory and management skills.
• A proven ability to prepare and work within an approved annual budget.
• A proven ability to prepare work programmes and meet deadlines.
• Fully compliant with current Health & Safety legislation, to include risk assessments.
• A strong team leader with communication skills at all levels is considered critical to the successful fulfilment of the role.
• A keen and competent golfer or at least fully familiar with and knowledgeable about the game of golf.
• Awareness of environmental and wildlife practices.

This is a great opportunity for a committed, hands on, enthusiastic, motivated and hard-working greenkeeper to lead and manage a dedicated team to further develop and maintain the golf course.

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• A minimum of 5 years greenkeeping experience.
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An excellent salary package is on offer for both positions.

Please apply in writing by 30th September 2005, with your C.V. indicating which position you are interested in to:

The Club Secretary, Henbury Golf Club, Henbury Road, Westbury on Trym, Bristol BS10 7QB
Recruitment

BRUCEFIELDS FAMILY GOLF CENTRE

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The successful applicant should have a minimum of 5 years experience and be fully conversant with modern greenkeeping practices. NVQ level 3 or equivalent and PA1, 2 & 6 spraying certificates would be required.

Please apply in writing with CV, showing current salary. Closing date for applications 23rd September 2005.

Kirsty Stewart, Managing Director, Brucefields Family Golf Centre Ltd, Pirmhall Road, Bannockburn, Stirling FK7 8EH

ALRESFORD GOLF CLUB

Assistant Greenkeeper

We are looking for an Assistant Greenkeeper to join our hard working team of professionals.

The successful applicant will have the following:
- NVQ Level 2 or equivalent
- A minimum of 3 years experience
- Understanding Health & Safety
- Be keen to learn and hard working

We offer full 7-day membership to the golf club, CGS Recommended Salary and BIGGA membership, a generous bonus each year and ongoing training in Greenkeeping.

Closing date, end of September 2005.

Please apply in writing with full CV to:
Mr Stephen Privett, Course Manager, Alresford Golf Club, Cheriton Road, Titchborne Down, Hampshire SO24 0PN

HENDON GOLF CLUB

Assistant Greenkeeper

Invite applications for the post of Assistant Greenkeeper

This is an ideal opportunity for a committed, enthusiastic, self-motivated person to join our team.

Applicants should be qualified to NVQ Level 2 and hold PA1, PA2 and PA6 certificates.

Apply in writing with full CV to:
Mr R McMillan, Course Manager, Hendon Golf Club, Sanders Lane, Mill Hill, London NW7 1DG.

SHOOTERS HILL GOLF CLUB

Assistant Greenkeeper

The successful candidate will ideally have:
- 2-3 years experience of greenkeeping
- NVQ2 or equivalent preferred
- PA1, PA2 and PA6 advantage
- Awareness of modern greenkeeping practices and current health & safety regulations
- Be hardworking and self motivated

Please apply in writing with current CV to:
Craig Rodwell, Head Greenkeeper, c/o SHGC Ltd, Lowood, Eaglesfield Road, London SE18 3DA

MURRAYFIELD GOLF CLUB LIMITED

Assistant Greenkeeper

Applicants should have a minimum of 3 - 4 years experience and have NVQ Level 2 or equivalent

Closing date: Friday 23rd September

Please apply in writing to:
The Club Manager, Murrayfield Golf Club Limited, 43 Murrayfield Road, Edinburgh EH12 6EU

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**HEAD GREENKEEPER**

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Full applications, with C.V. to: -

The Chairman of Green
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New Lydd Road
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Applications to be received by 7th October 2005

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**Grange Golf Club**

Rathfarnham, Dublin 16

A long established premier club, situated in the south side of Dublin invites applications for a

**COURSE MANAGER**

To supervise and lead its greenkeeping staff in the continuing maintenance and enhancement of its 24 hole parkland course.

The primary responsibilities of the position are as follows:

- Maintenance of the golf course to a consistent and high standard
- Management and development of all course staff
- Administration of project and maintenance programmes
- Assistance in planning and the ability to work within financial budgets

The successful applicant will be responsible to the Secretary - Manager for the day to day management of the course and its continuing development.

The following skills, qualifications and experience are required:

- Significant golf course management experience
- A good working knowledge of modern golf course management practices and techniques.
- Experience of golf course construction and grow-in.
- Effective management skills and ability to motivate staff
- An understanding of the requirements of Health & Safety legislation
- Good communication and IT skills
- The ability to play golf and to empathise with the requirements of a large and diversified playing membership

Salary and conditions are negotiable depending on experience and qualifications and will reflect the importance of this senior position.

Written applications, including full CV should be sent to:

Mr J A O'Donoghue, Secretary Manager, Grange Golf Club, Rathfarnham, Dublin 1
E-mail: - secretary.manager@grangegolfclub.ie

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Wake Me Up When September Ends

Quote from a BIGGA member - Bulletin Board - August 2005:

“I had all but decided not to renew my BIGGA membership... I will wait to see what happens between now and the end of September”

You have just come in from cutting the tees, the middle unit was playing up and you are wet through and fed up. Whoever used the machine last did not fill it up as they were supposed to do and so and so cut in on the 10th tee again and held you up. Bearing this in mind, I probably came quite far down your list of priorities but now that you have finished reading the job adverts, the section notes, done the crossword, checked to see if there are any juicy letters, I am hoping that the above quote might grab your interest enough to get your attention.

So, you are sitting there underpaid, getting no respect from your current employer and no one will give you proper training. You love the work but the work environment and your future prospects are depressingly uninspiring. You are not getting the recognition you deserve and you are being treated badly. ‘So what are you, Mr Chairman, and BIGGA going to do about it?’

Well, having been Chairman for nine months I can relate a little to your frustration. I too am beginning to become agitated that I am not going to fully achieve my major goals in my one year of office. However, to answer your question, I can report that the business plan review is making good headway.

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‘Alright, alright Kerran, we get your drift, but how is this going to help me?’

Well that all depends on the targets we set, but here are just one or two small examples of the goals I personally would want to see achieved.

**EDUCATION**

Equalise, in percentage terms, the numbers of members receiving BIGGA education in all categories of membership and then increase each category by 5% per annum. For example, an increase in Course Manager education only, without a corresponding increase in education for assistant greenkeepers, would not be acceptable. Equalising the education for all categories of membership would mean that the HQ staff would have to find ways of getting BIGGA education to you, Joe Bloggs in the dead-end job, not just provide education for those who it is easier to provide it for.

Set up, by a given date, the opportunity for all new members to attend a residential course on subjects such as an introduction to BIGGA, how to manage your own career and basic greenkeeping philosophy and practice. I believe we need to sell BIGGA to young greenkeepers, we need to show them we care about them and I believe that if we enthuse them early enough we will have supporters for life. It would be good for us but it would be even better for them.

**WELFARE AND SUPPORT**

Set up, by a given date, well-publicised and trained, local support panels, consisting of Regional Administrators, other greenkeepers and possibly sympathetic Golf Union officials for help and support with welfare matters. I feel that it would be much better, when you are vulnerable, to have an understanding ear to turn to in the first instance rather than a Legal Helpline representative who you do not know and who does not understand your industry.

**COMMUNICATION**

Set up, by a given date, a bulletin board exclusive to Regional Administrators and Section Administrators to improve communication and share best practice. We have Sections being very well run and Sections that struggle from time to time. If we could get all Sections sharing ideas directly, then I feel we could soon all benefit by offering more local activity and support. There is a wealth of talent and commitment out there in the Sections. It should be harnessed for the benefit of all.

I was with my daughter in the car the other day and she put on a CD. It was not my usual sort of music but I quite liked it so I asked her what it was. I was somewhat chided for not knowing it was ‘Wake Me Up When September Ends’ by Green Day. I am really hoping that our wavering member, quoted at the beginning, will, at the end of September, decide to stay with us and help us with the wake up call to all members to aid future greenkeepers through education and collective support.

It would be worryingly easy for our Association to become expert at providing only what the already advantaged amongst us want. With your support we can provide opportunity and advancement for all. There are many times when you cannot get help but there is never a time when you cannot give it.

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