On December 3 we held our Christmas golf competition followed by our AGM. May I take this opportunity to thank the Captain, Brian Haxton and Worksop Golf Club for the courtesy of the course.

Once again, we were made very welcome and I would like to pass on congratulations to Tim and his staff for the wonderful condition of the course. Also thanks must go to the catering staff, bar staff and David Dufall for all their help in making this day a success. The sponsors of these events also play a major part in making the day successful and this competition’s sponsor was Rigby Taylor, whose representative, Mike Brear, provided us with an excellent prize table.

The winners of the competition were: 1. Richard Jones, 38 pts, H/C 0; 1.2 Darren Coop, 38 pts, H/C 0; 1.3 Andrew Bunting, 37 pts, H/C 11; 1.4 Colin Hopper 34 pts, H/C 8; 1.5 Paul Hill, 34 pts, H/C 14; 1.6 Kevin Hazlehurst, 34 pts, H/C 16. Guest winners: Ian Collett, 35 pts, H/C 15; Gary Bardhill, 32 pts, H/C 15. Nearest the pin: Peter Fell, 72 inches.

A big thank you goes to all our sponsors and supporters throughout the year, Thanks to Steve for running the raffle! A special mention goes to James Whelan, of Rotherham Golf Club - well done.

On a serious note would all members please be aware that in future no application forms for golf competitions will be accepted after the official closing date that is on the form. This also includes any telephone calls. All forms must be accompanied with the correct payment required. The forms are sent out in plenty of time and therefore there is no excuse for late arrivals.

AGM - Last year’s minutes were read and passed. Next year’s golf competitions are: May 12, Coxmoor GC; July 7 - Grange Park GC; July 23 - Otley GC; Sheffield Section v Northern Section - September 9, Hallamshire GC. Christmas competition TBA. The Treasurer’s and Secretary’s reports were read and passed. Chris Astle announced his resignation after seven years as Section Secretary. I am sure you would all like to join with the Committee in thanking Chris for all his hard work for the Section.

Election of Officials - President, N. Maltby; Chairman, G. Brammah; Vice Chairman N. Maltby; Secretary, J. Stevens; Treasurer, A. Sampson; Competitions, R. Needham and S. Currie; Committee, C. Astle, A. Unwin, J. Lax. The Committee would like to ask that all members, in future, wear their BIGGA ties to all Section functions.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to say I hope you have had a good Christmas and have a great New Year.

Robert Needham

Education and Training News – After a busy few weeks which have seen the Irrigation Workshop, excavator training and Noise and Vibration Management seminar, I had just about had time to sit down and digest some of the feedback from the events. It appears that there would be sufficient interest in running a one day ‘Irrigation Electrical Fault Finding workshop’. The subject was briefly covered during the event at The Belfry but a purpose hands-on day may be worthwhile. Please let me know if you are interested. I have also had an enquiry about running a ‘Pesticides Update and Refresher course’. This again would be a hands-on refresher covering latest legislation, calibration and techniques. We would need a minimum of 10 candidates for this event. There is also a possibility of running another excavator course. It is important that you confirm your interest as soon as possible so I can make arrangements according to the demand.

Paul Woodham

Just to remind everybody that entries have been sent out for the Go Karting with the Christmas Tournament Entry slips, for the event that takes place on February 20. Closing date for entries will be the January 21, non members of golf clubs will then be approached to fill the remaining places. Five-A-Side Football will be taking place the week before Harrogate please ring the Secretary Dan Rodgers on 07745 227224.

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Hello all and welcome to my first column for these pages. Firstly I would like to thank Allan Walker for his contributions over the last couple of years. Hopefully you will enjoy reading what I have to write and if anyone has any news or information you would like to be included then don’t hesitate to contact me. As you know I have to write this over a month before you read it so I will try my best to make it as up to date as possible.

I hope everybody had a good Christmas and New Year and is ready to face the challenges that 2008 will bring. Ideally that won’t include three feet of water on the fairways in June!

January means that BTME is on the horizon and our annual pilgrimage to Harrogate. As a thank-you to all our golf day sponsors, we will be having a reception in the St George Hotel (across the road from the show) at 2pm on the Tuesday. All Section members are welcome to attend.

Tuesday, November 27 saw our first winter seminar at Peterborough Milton Golf Club. The day was well attended and we were treated to interesting and informative presentations from Sam Maclean, of Bernhard and Co, and Jim Mackenzie, from Celtic Manor Resort. There was also a grinding demonstration from Bernhards Tournament Support team. Many thanks go to Bernhards for sponsoring the day, to Sam and Jim and to Peterborough Milton for their hospitality. A seminar day is also being organised for February, full details to follow.

As I write this, our last golf day of the year is due to take place at Market Rasen. I am sure that John and his team will have had the course
in top condition for all of us and there will definitely have been some entertainment in the Christmas bring and win prize draw.

Most of the 2008 golf fixtures have been finalised, starting with Pottergate GC in April. A full fixture list will be here next month and will also be placed on the website. Once again if anyone has any news or information for me then I can be contacted on

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BERKS/BUCKS AND OXON

Happy New Year! Since January is named after Janus, the Roman god of gates and openings, this gives us all an ideal time to look back on the past year and forward to the New Year.

To make sure all goes well in the New Year, the Annual General meeting was held on 21 November at the Beaconsfield GC situated in a lovely part of Buckinghamshire on the edge of the Chiltern hills when the following were elected to serve for 2008: Sid Arrowsmith, Chairman, Alec MacIndoe, Education, Dean Jones, Secretary, Frank Booth, Treasurer, Alistair Higgs, Match/Handicap Secretary and yours truly – Scribe for another year. All ably assisted by Committee Members, Dan Lightfoot, Matt Smith and newly appointed Erik Kinlon. A thoroughly enjoyable day was organised by Keith Willcox, Club Secretary and David Jennings, Catering Manager kept the wolf from the door aided and abetted by Alf and Pauline behind the bar at the impressive clubhouse looking out over the course.

A relaxed Texas Scramble format with a chance to experience this Harry Colt masterpiece over this nicely bunkered course with large greens was indeed a true pleasure and educational experience to all who took part.

Bill Patterson and his staff are to be congratulated for, despite several days torrential rainfall, they ensured its fine condition to the delight of all who played and the following winners: Dougie McGregor – Long Drive, Graham Down – Nearest the Pin. Winners of the Avoncrop Cup were 1st the Green Rings – Alec McIndoe, A. Thrift, G. Ferris and E. Kinlon; 2nd Burnham Boys – S. Lawson, C. Lillitou, Rob Hogan and L. Bishop; and 3rd Goody’s Mob – A. Higgs, C. Taylor, D. Goodchild and C. Small. The Ely Cup presented to the Golfer of the Year was awarded to Ben Kebby, from The Berkshire GC. Thank you to Barry McCloskey, and Avoncrop, for sponsoring this event and to all the other trade who participated and sponsored us throughout 2007.

In early November the Buckinghamshire GC hosted a Seniors Tour event playing for The Kingdom of Bahrain Trophy. This event was not scheduled on the tour to be played in the UK and to the shock and surprise of Erik Kinlon and his team, with only several weeks’ notice, he had to produce a course fit for tournament conditions. After a bit of double bubble and working late into the night this world class golfing venue was transformed to provide a stiff test for the elite of the European Seniors Tour.

Greenkeeper members through the region provided Erik and his team with support in preparing the course over the tournament which was a great success. Erik would like to thank all the team who volunteered their time and effort and he has promised to provide you all with a Celtic shirt and a pint at Harrogate.

No mention has been made about any New Year Resolutions but I did hear a rumour about a rep who goes by the name of Roger Clarke, a former West Ham fan, who apparently became disillusioned with the Hammers and after a weak moment in Portugal fuelled by Sangria, decided to have a tattoo of the MK Dons stamped where the sun don’t shine. If there is any member unfortunate enough to have witnessed this, please contact Ross, at Abbey Hill GC, who will provide all the necessary counselling.

Looking forward to 2008 – make a note in your diary about the Harrogate BTME exhibition which is just about upon us. You know it is a good idea to come and see everything under one roof and see what is the latest on show – all designed to make life easier and with education on the agenda it must go to the top of your list.

I hope many of you can make the journey and I look forward to seeing you there. Best wishes to you all!

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MID-ANGLIA SECTION

Happy New Year One and all, I hope you were able to enjoy the festive holidays even though I am sure your respective golf courses have been very busy. Harrogate is just around the corner and I look forward to seeing those of you making the pilgrimage this year. It is sure to be another good show with some interesting speakers and all you could wish to see.

On the educational front, the Mid-Anglia Section are running two courses in the early part of the new year. There is a Chainsaw course and also a Sprayer Update course, so any interested parties please contact Gerald Bruce, at Berkhampsted Golf Club, who can provide further details. Golf this year kicks off with the spring tournament at the Bedfordshire Golf Club. The summer competition is to be held at either Cherwell Hills or Silverstone. Panshangar hosts the autumn event and finally, tour cards for the following year will be decided at Chesfield Downs. More details to follow later.

Open Championship qualifying takes place at Ashridge on July 2 and is well worth a visit – you might even carry a bag if you are so inclined! And congratulations to Jim Cassidy and his wife on the arrival of their son, Conor James Cassidy, who I am told is very cute and chatty. Also, good luck to Chris Hunt, of Woburn, who is embarking on an exciting new venture.

Let’s all keep our fingers crossed that winter doesn’t last too long and that spring actually decides to turn up this year. If you have any items of interest please call me on the number below.

Craig Spooner craig_spooner@advanta-seeds.co.uk
G’Day and Happy New Year possums. I’m just getting over jet lag after my journey down under so this report is going to be short and sweet. I’ll show you the bite mark that the Great White gave me when I call as it’s just above the scar that the crocs tail left when he tried to get away. But enough of this ‘Steve Irwin’ chat for it’s time for another jab of the anti snake bite serum and a little blow on my digeridoo.

England vs Scotland at Hankley Common GC on November 7 was another draw so England retain the trophy. I just wonder what the result would have been had I not had to go to Australia. Greenkeepers vs Secretaries at The Berkshire GC on November 28 was a victory for the BIGGA boys by one point. Report on the Turkey Trot and AGM will appear in the February edition as will full details of my day by day Australian adventure.

Our Turkey Trot, at Birchwood Park, was a resounding success. On a morning where the rain clouds threatened briefly 45 of us were greeted by glorious winter sunshine at the first tee as well as Vic Maynard and the Ernest Doe’s refreshment wagon. I can honestly say that I played my best round ever (a gross 82) and foolishly believed that 43 points might give me a chance of winning! That was until Gary “The Mexican” Branchett rolled into town with his amigos. I shall attribute his 48 point winning total to the condition of the course which my team had presented in fine fettle again. Gary won the Scott’s Shield for his efforts and a 14lb turkey, as well as earning himself a considerable cut from the handicap secretary next time out! Everybody was a winner on the day, however, as bottles of wine were presented to all who attended the most popular golf event the section have staged thus far.

A very brief AGM followed a fine Christmas dinner where Kev Morris from George! The sponsors of the day were Avoncrop so a big thanks to them and Gary O.

Hello again. I hope you are all well and have had a good year. It does seem to have passed us by quickly again. By the time you read this Christmas will have come and gone, you never know we may have had our first real frost. What a strange year we have had weather wise, you must wonder what the new year has in store for us.

There has been a few events happen recently, the first of which is the football match we had against Surrey which held at three bridges football club. I would like to thank John Wart, from Albourne Irrigation, for sponsoring the pitch and also a big thanks to mirek and Rigby Taylor for sponsoring the kit. The game was not for the faint hearted and was full of commitment. Surrey scored early doors and we equalised through Dan Beard. Unfortunately Surrey were to strong for us and it ended 4-1 to Surrey. The score was a bit flattering but congratulations to them and a big thank you to Dave Langham for sorting out things his end. The pictures are of the Sussex team and of the hand over of the new kit between Vice Chairman, Matt Crosslegs and the sponsors Rigby Taylor, represented by Mike Ring.

The next event was the AGM which was held at the Dyke GC. We did have a nine hole competition which was sponsored kindly by Gary Ogilvy (an ugly more irritating Ian Beale) from Avoncrop. There was a good turn out for the AGM this year, with 16 members in attendance.

Derek Farrington has stepped down as Secretary, so a big thanks to Derek for all his hard work. His replacement is Dave Allen, from Singing Hills, who was brave enough to step up to the plate.

The last event of the calendar was the Turkey Trot which was held at Worthing Golf Club. The course was in lovely condition and a big thanks to George Barr and his team for providing such a great venue. A big thank to everyone at Worthing Golf Club for their great hospitality. Also good luck to Ian Stevens, the Secretary of Worthing, who is moving on to pastures green in Devon. He did say we are all welcome to visit, apart from George! The sponsors of the day were Avoncrop so a big thanks to them and Gary O.


47pts East Brighton GC lead by Andy Painter; 46pts B. Waters, C. Waters, R. Azvan and T. Stone; 46pts Less Shrub and co; 45pts Palmers; 45pts M. Gould, M. Willow, P. Ray and D. Haskell. Thank you to everyone who attended, we had a great day and an even better evening. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for there support over the year. Have a great Christmas a look forward to seeing you in the new year.

Rob Holland

Rob Hudson
ESSEX

The Christmas Tournament and AGM took place at Orsett Golf Club at the end of November on a typical overcast autumn’s day with grey skies but slight warmth in the air. A very well presented course was laid out not for the faint hearted, with some cunning pin positions there to deceive.

The format, new to most was, a Progressive Stableford. The best two scores on the first six, best three on the second and all four on the final six. This format certainly makes you work as team and also puts a competitive edge on the team game. Having asked around most found it a better way to end the season than our previous Christmas matches of Texas scramble.

Following the golf, the AGM took place and was attended by around 70 members guests and trade. Chairman Don Clark led the proceedings and after introducing the committee went through the normal AGM issues. He then went onto thank the sponsors of this year’s events; Avoncrop Amenity, Banks Amenity Products, Ernest Doe & Sons, Rigby Taylor and Tacit. He also thanked all the trade who kindly sponsored the raffle table for all of our events. Neil Peachey and P Tuckwell Ltd for their sponsorship of the section calendar and Andy Turbin and Ernest Doe & Sons for sponsoring the inaugural, Essex, Surrey and Sussex regional golf event held at Colne Valley.

New rules for the Section have been drawn up and the membership were asked to approve these, they are now posted on the website. No new committee members came forward for election so on block the committee were re-elected to the positions of: - Chairman, Don Clark, Secretary, Martin Forrester, Treasurer, Tom Smith, Competitions, Antony Kirwan, Education, Paul O’Kane, Press Officer, Arnold Phipps-Jones. Antony announced that the first team knockout had been a success, though there was still the final to play. Next year’s knock-out will start earlier so as to give members more time to arrange and play their respected games. Watch this space and also the website to find out about entry details.

After the AGM the year’s trophies were presented to the five winners of the tournaments this year, Gosfield Lakes Golf Club, Nick Gates, Theydon Bois Golf Club, Adam Millward, Colchester Golf Club, Ray Clark, North Weald Golf Club, Don Clark, Golfer of the Year went to Adam Millward, and Trade Member of the Year, Michael Fance.

The evening meal was served, followed by the prizes for the day: 1st on C/B 114 points, Steve Vale, Malcolm Smith, Neil Tutton; 2nd on C/B 114 points, Antony Kirwan, Neil Peachey, Roy Spong, Steve Crossdale. 3rd on C/B 114 points, Mark Keysell, Andy Cracknell, Mark Stopp, Gary Smith; 4th on 113 points, Steve Denton Chris Wild, Arnold & Mark Phipps-Jones. Longest Drive, John Potticary. Nearest the Pin, Neil Tutton. Andy Turbin of Ernest Doe & Sons presented the prizes, to whom we thank for sponsoring the day. Our thanks also go to Orsett Golf Club for allowing us the course for the day and to Don Clark and his team for a course to be proud of.

Next year’s events are at the following venues Upminster, Warley Park, Three Rivers, Bentley, and The Essex, dates will be coming in the New Year.

I would like to wish you all a belated Happy New Year and a good Greenkeeping year ahead. Contact me at highwoods.photographic@talktalk.net or call me on 01206-852.353

Arnold Phipps-Jones

SOUTH WEST AND WALES – SOUTH WEST

A Very Happy New Year to everyone in the South West. Many congratulations to Jane and the South West Regional Board for the very interesting and informative seminar at Cannington back in November. All speakers excelled themselves, and despite one or two technical problems the day was a huge success. Jim McKenzie gave us a fascinating insight into everything involved in getting the Celtic Manor Resort ready for the 2010 Ryder Cup, and Colin Webber gave the most amazingly frank and emotional account of the building and opening of his Portmore Course. Well done and thanks to all.

Further NVQ 3 one day courses are arranged at Cannington College as follows – and having attended two of the last three myself, I can’t recommend attending these forthcoming days too highly. Remember, you don’t have to be enrolled for the full NVQ to attend. 07.01.2008 – Golf Course Presentation. 27.02.2008 – Manage Oneself. 26.3.2008 – Create Grassed & Planted areas.

Contact George Pitts, at Bridgwater College, on 01278 655144 or 07929 754401 or email pitts@bridgwatercollege.ac.uk to discuss content and times etc. Not too much else to report this month – I’ve just represented Nobby at the annual Section Secretaries meeting at BIGGA House. The purpose of the day was to meet the staff team, and hear about all the latest initiatives, news, and national Association activities, and to report back to the membership. The scope and depth of the work at HQ is actually quite amazing, and the whole staff team are just so enthusiastic. There’s no question that times are hard in the golf industry, and it’s necessary to diversify and think outside the box to balance the books. But against somewhat of a global downturn – their enthusiasm and dedication is making it work.

But they can’t do it without our support, input, and participation as members. Harrogate Week looks like being a big success again, but will only be confirmed as such, by all of us attending. I always try to place my early spring orders while I’m there as an encouragement.

Back at Minchinhampton we’ve had yet another break-in. The door to an old outbuilding (which is actually right in the middle of the golf course), was kicked in for the umptee-eighth time. This has happened so frequently that we don’t actually store anything worthwhile in there – just one or two old railway sleepers on the floor, and an owl-box in the rafters. But as there had been a spate of recent local break-ins, I thought I’d do my duty as a good citizen and report it. I’d got five minutes before a meeting so I rang the police non-emergency line, and this is a verbatim transcript of the conversation.

“Good morning, Gloucestershire Police – Rachel speaking, how may I help?” (It did sound more like an insurance company call-centre than the nerve-centre of Glos. police, but at that point I was prepared to give
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Have a great New Year!

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SOUTH COAST SECTION

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The last bit of business for 2007 for the Section was the Turkey Trot held at Barton On Sea GC on December 5. For regular readers you will know I always make comment on the weather conditions for the day and how lucky we are to always get excellent weather. Well, this year’s weather was not perfect but considering everyone drove to Barton in monsoon conditions and that the rain cleared the conditions were not too bad. However, the wind was a touch strong and definitely freshened up the players. Sadly, I could not go outside as we were playing off two tees so with much regret I had to stay in the warm. I was informed from the players that the course was in magnificent condition, many congratulations and thank you to our chairman Tony Gadd and his team for presenting a great course. As usual we were very well looked after by the staff at Barton. Thank you to the catering, bar staff and all others at the club for looking after us and making us so welcome. The Captain Ray Hunt accompanied us for the day’s play and joined us for the meal and in a speech made us very welcome and also sponsored nearest the Pin. Thank you Ray for your kindness. Our gratitude also goes to the sponsor for the day New Forest Farm Machinery and Blade Amenity - the Turkeys always go down very well! So the results for the day:


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Birstall Golf Club

Requires a COURSE MANAGER

The successful candidate will:

• Be qualified to NVQ3 or equivalent with spraying certificates P A 1, 2, & 6 also CS 30 and 31 certification would be an advantage
• Have at least 5 years golf course experience.
• Possess the ability to lead and motivate staff.
• Communicate clearly and effectively and have a good knowledge of IT.
• Have proven ability to manage resources within budgetary controls.
• Have knowledge of all relevant Health and Safety and other appropriate legislation.
• Have a sound knowledge of irrigation.
• Being a golfer would be desirable.
• Salary dependent on experience and qualifications.

Birstall Golf Club was founded in 1901 it is a mature meadowland course, its main feature being a diversity of indigenous trees. The Club Council has ambitious plans for future development and seeks an equally ambitious Course Manager to lead and share in this vision.

Closing date 31st January 2008

Please apply in writing to
The Secretary, Birstall Golf Club, Station Road, Birstall, Leicester LE4 3BB.

Galway Bay Golf Resort

The golf course was designed by Christy O'Connor Jnr and opened in 1993. A major remodelling of the course began in 2005, with the course closed totally until 2007. This project has been overseen by original architect Christy O'Connor Jnr. This winter we will be installing a new state of the art irrigation system. A new clubhouse and hotel are in the planning stages. When this is complete there will be five star facilities to compliment the championship golf course.

Assistant Superintendent

The assistant superintendent must be self motivated and be able to work in a team management environment with the future goal of becoming a superintendent. Assistant will have recognised greening/agronomy qualification with PA2 and PA6 spraying certificates. A minimum of 5 years experience at multiple golf courses is required.

Closing date for applications February 8, 2008.

Trainee Greenkeepers

Fully or part qualified ambitious students looking for practical experience at a high end golf course. Trainee will be involved in all aspects of turfgrass management. Required for the 2008 season.

If you are interested please send CV in confidence to:
Jason Podris
Director of Golf Course Operations
Galway Bay Golf Resort
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County Galway
Or email jpodris@hotmail.com

www.galwaybaygolfresort.com

Branston Golf & Country Club are looking for a Golf Manager (Full time)

(salary negotiable based on qualifications and experience)

Branston Golf & Country Club is a privately owned 27-hole parkland golf club situated on the River Trent in Staffordshire. It also includes a driving range and golf retail outlet, extensive health and fitness complex including swimming pool, spa, clubhouse and conference centre. The 18-hole course is for private members and guest usage, while the driving range and 9-hole Academy course (par 30) are open to the public.

The Golf Manager will assume accountability for the day to day maintenance and management of both courses plus driving range. The position also involves management of course usage including the starters, marshals and members. The remit also includes input and direction to development strategy of the golf courses, as well as a contributory role in the recruitment and retention of members and 18-hole membership.

Minimum of 5 years experience working within a golf course environment including course management. Preferably qualified to NVQ Level 3 standard or equivalent. Experience and knowledge of irrigation systems and machinery. Working knowledge of health & safety regulations. Experience with golf booking systems/course usage. Ability to manage budgets, costs, suppliers and resources. Excellent communication skills.

Closing date for applications 31st January 2008.

Please apply for an application form and outline job description to Bonnie Fairhurst on 01283 528329, or email bonniefairhurst@branston-golf-club.co.uk

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Haggs Castle Golf Club

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COURSE MANAGER

Founded in 1910 Haggs Castle Golf Club is a progressive private members club situated on the south side of Glasgow.

Set in the magnificent mature parkland of the Pollok Estate, Haggs Castle provides a delightful golfing environment and is a highly regarded venue. The course has been a European Tour venue and has hosted the Scottish PGA Championship. It is currently host to the World Amateur Golf Ranking tournament, the Cameron Corbett Vase.

We are looking for an ambitious and dedicated person with a passion to further develop our prestigious course to the highest standards.

The successful applicant will be qualified to NVQ level 3, or equivalent, and have appropriate experience in parkland course management together with all other attributes expected of this prominent position.

We offer a highly competitive salary together with pension contribution and other benefits.

Please apply in writing, including a full CV, by 31st January 2008

To: Alan Williams, Secretary/Manager, Haggs Castle Golf Club, 70 Dumbreck Road, Glasgow G41 4SN

Email: secretary@haggscastlegolfclub.com