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For further information please visit our website: www.worlebury.co.uk
We are now looking for a Head Greenkeeper. The successful candidate will be suitably qualified to NVQ level 3 or equivalent, experienced and self motivated demonstrating a genuine commitment to providing an excellent playing arena for Club Members. The main duties include:
* The responsibility for all aspects of course management and development;
* An ability to source, operate and maintain state of the art course maintenance equipment;
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MECHANIC/GREENKEEPER
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Course Manager
Wharton Park is a Proprietary club having an 18 hole championship course designed by a course architect, Howard Swan. The Club is situated in the beautiful Wyre Forest area on the edge of the historic inland town of Bewdley in Worcestershire. www.worleburygc.co.uk
The Club is looking to recruit an experienced and highly motivated Course Manager. The successful candidate will:
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COURSE MANAGER

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The successful applicant will need to demonstrate an excellent knowledge of agronomy, a desire to make a difference and the leadership skills to drive and motivate the green keeping team. The individual will also need to lead by example, have an outstanding knowledge of how a golf course should be set up in all aspects, including presentation and criteria. Suitable candidates will need to be qualified to NVQ Level 3 with spraying certificates PA1, PA6 & PA2 and should also be competent golfers. The salary offered will be commensurate with the importance that the Club attaches to this role. If you feel you have the qualities, experience and the dedication for this demanding role, please send your CV, with covering letter by post to Mr. Anthony Roberts, Bath Golf Club, and Golf Course Road, Bath BA2 5UJ www.bathgolfclub.org.uk

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Groundscare Technicians

Winchester Garden Machinery have a vacancy for two grounds care technicians based in Winchester.

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Please post or email your CV to the attention of Andy Hodgkin, Winchester Garden Machinery Ltd, Fair Lane, Off Alresford Road, Winchester, Hampshire, SO21 1HF.

andyh.hodgkin@wgml.co.uk

Tel: 01962 837946.

SUNNINGDALE GOLF CLUB

Assistant Greenkeeper

Sunningdale Golf Club wishes to recruit an Assistant Greenkeeper to assist in raising and maintaining the World Class standards required at the Club.

The candidate should have:

• NVQ or equivalent
• PA1 & PA6
• Over 3 years practical experience in turfgrass maintenance and golf course construction techniques
• Experience in working within a large team
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Applicants with full CV should be sent to:

Julie Wells, PA to the Secretary
Ridgeway Road, Sunningdale, Berkshire, SL5 9HR

email: juliew@sunningdalegolfclub.co.uk

Closing date for applications: Friday 19th October 2012

GREENTEEPER / GROUNDSMAN

Sales

Aitkens Sports turf Ltd is looking to recruit a greenkeeper / groundsman to join our team of technical sales representatives. Due to expansion we are looking for the successful candidate to call on Golf Courses and Sports Clubs in and around the North West of England.

Candidates would require experience in the turfgrass industry and no sales experience is necessary. You should be able to communicate effectively at all levels and have the drive and self motivation to succeed in a strong marketplace.

If you feel you have the necessary skills, experience and enthusiasm to succeed in this role, please send your CV to:

Richard Aitken, Aitkens Sports turf Ltd, Aviation Road, Sherburn In Elmet, North Yorkshire LS25 6NB

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Excellent working knowledge of Health & Safety regulations and the ability to motivate others is an integral part of this role. Candidates will have demonstrable communication, time management, decision making and computer skills along with a flexible approach.

Closing date: 31st October 2012

A full clean driving licence is required for both positions. We are looking for people who can demonstrate integrity, and who continually strive for excellence.

Please send full CV’s including salary expectations to personnel@woburn.co.uk explaining why you feel you would be suitable for these roles.

ASSISTANT MECHANIC

The successful candidate will be required to service, maintain and repair the Golf Club turf machinery fleet and associated equipment. Previous experience and demonstrable working knowledge as a recognised mechanic/technician within horticulture or agriculture is required. A City & Guilds or NVQ qualification in machine or engineering is essential for this role along with the relevant up to date training on specific tools such as grading equipment.

Potential applicants should possess exceptional communication and interpersonal skills, ability to manage your own workload and be a team player. Accurate electronic recording of statutory and service records is a requirement of the role.

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Field Sales and Technical Specialist

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Salary is negotiable depending upon experience and will be reviewed after a successful qualifying period. Experience of working in the industry would be an advantage but not essential.

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**IN THE SHEDS ANSWERS**

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Many other businesses use the opportunity BTME presents to hold sales meetings, distributor gatherings or spend quality time with their industry colleagues.

All the major players in the turf industry are at BTME, often all in the same room at the same time. That’s just impossible to achieve anywhere else at any time in the year. It almost feels as if you’re looking behind the scenes into the industry and that’s very exciting.

If you’re in the golf business you have to be there, it’s as simple as that.

However, it’s not just about establishing new partnerships. If you have an issue or problem, you can resolve it in person which is infinitely preferable to calling or emailing.

Our partnership with Aquatrols continues to go from strength to strength. It’s been fantastic for both companies and also tremendous news for golf clubs who have benefitted from the products.

I will once again be at BTME in January, along with many of my colleagues, and I hope to see as many turf professionals and greenkeepers there as possible. If you’re a greenkeeper, you can’t afford to miss out for two main reasons.

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