Continued from November Issue.

A more recent piece of legislation, has come into operation on the 1 October 1989 - the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) Regulations. This legislation lays down the essential requirements and a sensible step-by-step approach for the control of substances harmful to health and for protecting people exposed to them. The Regulations spell out the measure that employers and employees have to take.

Detailed information can be obtained about the legislation from HSE Offices and several free leaflets are available on the subject. Generally the basic principles of occupational hygiene are incorporated in the Regulations and briefly these require an assessment of the risk to health arising from work, introducing appropriate measures to prevent or control the risk, ensuring control measures are used and that equipment is properly maintained, monitoring the exposure of workers where it is necessary, carrying out appropriate forms of health surveillance again where it is necessary and informing, instructing and training employees about the risks and the precautions to be taken.

Compliance with the Regulations begins with the essential requirement for all employers to make an assessment of all harmful substances used in the business. With Golf Clubs this will probably mean pesticides and other substances such as dust, welding fumes, degreasing fluids, solvents, adhesives, cleaning fluids, disinfectants, paints etc.

**THESE ASSESSMENTS HAVE TO BE MADE BETWEEN NOW AND THE 1 JANUARY 1990.** The responsibility for making the assessment rests with the employer who could carry-out the assessment himself, or delegate the task to someone else competent to get all the necessary information and make correct decisions about the risks and suggest adequate precautions.

With many substances used in Golf Clubs, it should be sufficient to follow the instructions for safe use given on the product label. Golf Clubs should carry out a survey of all substances used and where there is uncertainty about any particular substance, they should obtain information from the supplier on its safe use. If the substance is considered to be particularly dangerous, the Club should consider, as part of their assessment under COSHH, replacing that substance with a safer alternative. Employees must be given information on the risks from these substances and instructed and trained on the safe use, handling and storage.

Harmful micro-organisms are also covered by COSHH and employees should be encouraged to obtain immunisation against tetanus (lock-jaw) whose spores can be present in soil or dirt.

**ASSESS before Jan 1st**

The important first task is to carry out the assessment of the hazard before 1 January 1990 and instruct and train the employees about the risks and the precautions to be taken.

**WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW**

Your employer has a duty under the law to ensure so far as is reasonably practicable, your health, safety and welfare at work.

In general your employer's duties include:

- making your workplace safe and without risks to health;
- keeping dust, fume and noise under control;
- ensuring plant and machinery are safe and that safe systems of work are set and followed;
- ensuring articles and substances are moved, stored and used safely;
- providing adequate welfare facilities;
- giving you the information, instruction, training and supervision necessary for your health and safety.

Your employer must also:

- draw up a health and safety policy statement if there are 5 or more employees, including the health and safety organisation and arrangements in force, and bring it to your attention;
- provide free, any protective clothing or equipment specifically required by health and safety law;
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- provide, maintain and keep clean washing and toilet facilities and accommodation for clothing and supply drinking water;
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SOCIAL PROGRAMME
EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

Please note that all bookings must be received by 8 JANUARY
Places are limited
You are advised to book now!!

HAS Scotsturf grown too big? That is a question on the lips of both the trade and the many visitors to their exhibition. Bill Ellwood, the Head Groundsman at Murreyfield, and Chairman of the Exhibition Committee certainly has led the Institute of Groundsmen to a hugely successful one day exhibition.

The education seminar, with over 100 attendees, indicated the close and friendly ties between I.O.G. and BIGGA, whose members attended the exhibition in full this year, and who were all the more noticeable in their smart blazers.

Certain sectors of the trade, who reported more visitors than they could physically deal with, appear to be in favour of an extension to a two-day event. It is understood that the exhibition lease is due for renewal, and that talks are being held to consider the format of future events.

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December '89
HERE is nothing more satisfying for the modest handicap golfer to find—when medal play consistency counts—that everything is, for once, going right!

Thus it came about that from a quality field of top-rate amateur golfing talent, competing for honours in the much heralded and fiercely fought ISEKI National Greenkeepers Golf Championships, young Les Shrubb, an unheralded and probably underrated player representing Pyecombe Golf Club and the South Eastern Region, succeeded in scoring a nett 104 for the twenty seven hole final to win by a clear margin of six strokes!

Lest there be cries of "bandit," readers should note that he won the premier award not by fluke, but by dint of sheer good, steady golf, keeping the ball in play when others were finding trouble, and by playing the percentages.

That he was playing the game of his life became clear when Les posted a nett 31 for the first nine holes under conditions that were far from easy, the blustery weather calling for patient steadiness rather than aggression.

Those who finished high in the reckoning, in the main above "fancied" players who were expecting to do well, were exponents of the old caddie's advice that "when it's breezy, swing easy," and it was no surprise to see Paul Newcombe, representing the South West, put his sweet classic swing (I am not the only observer to remark on the similarity in style he has to the great Gene Littler) to fine effect in returning the lowest gross score of 114.

For the defending champion Edwin Walsh, rock steady always and a hardened competitor who relishes tough courses, there was a tinge of disappointment.

The odd putt or two that lipped, the occasional one that got away, these were present in his otherwise exemplary play which, with a return of 110 1/2 nett, though not enough to regain the title, gave him the first prize in Division 1, a clear 2 1/2 strokes ahead of Paul Sewell and a further 2 strokes clear of third Richard Barker, both representing the Midlands.

Edwin's score was vital in the team event and did much to cushion the lead of eleven strokes by which his Northern team won, this from the second placed South Eastern team.

Though players were essentially out to win as individuals, all five regions were hell-bent on claiming the team prize. With the best 8 scores out of 9 counting, there was much speculation as to which team was favourite.

All five had team managers, some players had brought pals along to act as caddies, pep talks were rife and there was a deal of good-natured jostling. Some managers expressed quiet confidence whilst others, noticeably the indefatigable Gordon Child, (what a fine character!) were chivvying their teams into positive thought channels.
It was all great stuff and did much to demonstrate the overall spirit of good fellowship which permeated throughout the day. On paper the Scottish team looked formidable. With powerful strikers such as Colin McKay, who won the longest drive competition, and internationalist James Taylor aboard they were much fancied, though disappointingly only young John Coleman figured high in the reckoning, scoring 111 1/2 nett to convincingly win Division 2 (and the under-21's award) by 4 1/2 strokes from Midlander Chris Toms and the North's own humorist, Ian (Sid) Matthews.

Division 3 saw the North's Peter Solski score a convincing 113 nett to run away from second placed Northern Michael Warner on 118 1/2. Third, a mere 1/2 point away, was Midlander Mike Billings.

The choice of Moor Allerton by ISEKI was an inspired one. It is described as "a golfing experience larger than life" and fully lived up to its promise. Fairways were excellent, the rough certainly rough enough and the greens testing but true, a credit to the head greenkeeper and his crew.

When play finished the inquests began and a host of "hard-luck" stories - related. Winner Les Shrubb summed it all up with the best one-liner yet - "When you win, nothing hurts!"

DAVID WHITE

FINAL ROUND UP

1989 ISEKI NATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT FINAL
Moor Allerton Golf Club, Leeds
October 24, 1989

27 HOLE MEDAL
Best Nett: Winner Les Shrubb, 104 nett
20 Handicap S.E.
Best Gross: Paul Newcombe, 114 nett
Scratch S.W.
Over 55's: Paul Malia.
Under 21: John Coleman.
Nearest the Pin: Stanley Shotton.
Longest Drive: Colin McKay.
DIVISION 1 HANDICAP 0-9
DIVISION 2 HANDICAP 10-18 inc
DIVISION 3 HANDICAP 18-28 inc
*Peter Solski, 113 nett, Northern. Michael Warner, 118 1/2 nett, Northern. Mike Billings, 119, Midlands.

REGIONAL TEAM PRIZE
ISEKI FINANCE (Best 8 scores from 9)
1st: Northern Region, 946. 2nd: South-East, 957. 3rd: Midlands, 982. 4th: South-West, 993. 5th: Scotland, 998.

*Trophy Winners.

*Photographs of competitors taken at the ISEKI National Greenkeepers Championships are available free of charge, send a self addressed stamped 9 x 4 1/2 envelope to: The Editor at Newcastle.
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Kubota know how to ensure the right machines for the task in hand, providing the power and the versatility for all your grassland and turfcare needs.

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With "turf" pattern tyres and a cylinder block of tunnel construction to ensure that no oil is shed on precious turf, the Kubota know-how of the B50 series gives you more choice of more power for all your grassland needs.

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SEMINAR PROGRAMME

All greenkeepers should be booking their accommodation for the four night stay at Harrogate during the European Turf Management Exhibition (January 23-26).

This year’s Seminar Programme brings together speakers from within our Association, the Approved Colleges, and the commercial management training companies.

Some of our leading Course Managers from all over the world of golf will be on hand to pass on their experiences.

New for 1990 will be four specialist seminars to be held on 23 January and delegates will be able to choose from the following four subjects:

i) The Computer and the Golf Course Manager.

ii) Personal and Personnel Management.


iv) Personal Financial Management.

The tutors will be on hand to educate you. Take advantage of these specialist subjects. Unfortunately only one seminar can be attended as they are run throughout the day.

Wednesday morning sees the official opening of E.T.M.E. by Michael Bonallack, Secretary of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews in the Royal Hall at 9.15 a.m. The Nature Conservancy Council will also be launching their much awaited document 'On Course Conservation – A Guide to Managing Golf’s Natural Heritage'.

The following Seminar Programme is a must and I think all greenkeepers would benefit by attending.

GREENKEEPING SEMINAR PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 24th January, 1990

The Royal Hall

Session One

09.30 – The Image/Presentation of the Seminar Programme

10.30 – Today’s Course Manager/Head Greenkeeper. Time Management International.

10.30 – Championing Diet for the Greenkeeper. John Philip, Course Manager.

11.00 – 'Why - Education?' Dennis Lucas, Course Manager.

11.30 – Montage, Cheshire College of Agriculture.

11.30 – Question and Answer

12.00 – Session.

13.30 – How a Computer Can Help


14.00 – 'Education – How?' Mike Taylor, Course Manager.

14.30 – Taylor Elmwood College.

14.30 – Growing in at Collingtree Park. Peter Jones, Course Manager.

15.00 – 'So You’re Thinking of Greengrass Abroad'. David Lucas, Course Manager, Glyfada Golf Club, Athens.

15.30 – Question and Answer

16.00 – Session.

Thursday, 25th January

Session Two

09.30 – Reporting Golf Worldwide.


10.30 – Patch. Derek Green, Course Manager, Royal Liverpool Golf Club.

11.00 – The Preparation. The Middle – The Afterthought. Derek Ganning, Course Manager, The Belfry.

11.30 – Management International.

11.30 – Question and Answer

12.00 – Session.

All that plus the Trade Exhibition – Book Now – RING Debbie or Sam on 03473 581/582 for further details.

Friday, 26th January

Session Three

09.30 – Reporting Golf Worldwide.

10.00 – Michael Williams, Golf Correspondent, Daily Telegraph.


11.00 – Management International.

11.30 – Question and Answer

12.00 – Session.

THE NATIONAL TURFGRASS PROGRAMME

Groundsmen, Local Authority employees are well catered for with a seminar programme in The Royal Baths.

Wednesday, 24th January

Session One

09.30 – Drainage and Construction of Wildflower Areas. David Lucas, Course Manager.


11.30 – Question and Answer

12.00 – Session.


15.30 – Cricket Pitch Preparation. Peter Mansfield, Grounds Supervisor, Marlborough College.

16.00 – Session.

Thursday, 25th January

Session Two


11.30 – Question and Answer

12.00 – Session.


14.30 – Conservation – Update. David Stubbs, Golf Course Manager.


16.00 – Session.

David F. Golding
DON’T FORGET THE SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Day Trips for Accompanying Wives/Companions
We have arranged the following day trips for the ladies:

1. Wednesday, 24 January, 1990
   All day trip to York – Cost £11.50.
   Depart Harrogate at 9.00 am and travel direct to York for a guided tour of York Minster. After the tour, the coach will transfer you to the Crest Hotel for coffee. There will then be free time for shopping, sight-seeing and lunch and return to the Crest Hotel for 14.15 hours, where your guide will take you to the Jorvik Viking Museum for a tour which takes approximately one and half hours. Arrive back in Harrogate at 16.45 hours.

   All day trip to Bradford – Cost £13.50.
   Depart Harrogate at 9.30 am and travel direct to Bradford for a special visit to Christopher Bean’s Textiles Ltd, Yorkshire’s largest quality mill shop. After an interesting visit, there will be a short journey to White Cross to take lunch at Harry Ramsden’s famous fish restaurant. After lunch, head for the Bradford Museum of Photography, where a special arrangement has been made to view a short feature film on the world’s largest cinema screen. After the show, there will be free time to look around the Photographic Museum, before departing for Harrogate at 16.00 hours.

EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

3. Wednesday, 24 January, 1990
   Oompah Band Evening
   The Association will be providing you with a taste of Germany. The evening will be an opportunity to sample their culinary delights and music. We will be entertained by an Oompah Band and there will be a cash bar available. Total cost per person will be £8.00 to include entertainment and food.

   Medieval Banquet
   You will be transported by coach to St. Williams College, York where the ale and cider will flow and Casper the Jester will entertain you. Prepare yourself for a six-course banquet. Total cost per person £19.50.

SEE YOU IN HARROGATE!

DAVID F. GOLDFING

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8 JANUARY 1990
Places are limited - you are advised to book now!

THE long awaited leaflet: “A Career in Greenkeeping” has now been published and is available from Headquarters Office. It will be widely distributed to schools, colleges, career offices, libraries and the junior sections of golf clubs.

The leaflet has been jointly funded by the Greenkeepers Training Committee and Ransomes whose commitment to greenkeeper education is both long-standing and much appreciated.

Ransomes’ General Manager John Wilson says: “As the leading professional golf equipment manufacturers we are delighted to see that as part of our donation to the vigorous presentation of the education programme.”

All individuals and organisations requiring copies are asked to contact BIGGA Headquarters telephone number 03473 581/2.
Surely the best way to invest in the future is to invest in people. Training and education are the greatest motivating factors. A more articulate and educated workforce will inevitably lead to greater rewards and an awareness and recognition of the greenkeepers profession.

The Greenkeepers Training Scheme has appointed eleven colleges in Britain and Ireland as Centres of Excellence for Golf Greenkeeper Training.

- **Elmwood College**
  - Cupar, Fife, Scotland
  - (0334) 52781
  - Contact Carol Borthwick

- **Oatridge Agricultural College**
  - Ecclesmachan, Broxburn, Scotland
  - (0506) 854387
  - Contact Quentin Allardice

- **Cheshire College of Agriculture and Horticulture**
  - Reaseheath, Nantwich, Cheshire
  - (0270) 625131
  - Contact Dennis Mortram

- **Askham Bryan College**
  - Askham Bryan, York
  - (0904) 702121
  - Contact Nick Bisset

- **Warwickshire College**
  - Moreton Morrell, Warwick
  - (0926) 651367
  - Contacts Hugh Nunn and Roy Nelson

- **Teagasc National Botanic Gardens**
  - Glasnevin, Dublin 9, Ireland
  - (00) 01 371 636
  - Contact Pal Suttle

- **Langside College**
  - Buchanan Drive, Rutherglen, Glasgow, Scotland
  - (041) 647 6300
  - Contact Archie Morrison

- **Oaklands College**
  - St Albans
  - Herts
  - (0727) 50651
  - Contact Ian Merrick

- **Cannington College**
  - Cannington, Bridgwater, Somerset
  - (0278) 652226
  - Contact Nick Rigden

- **Plumpton College**
  - Plumpton, Lewes
  - (0273) 890454
  - Contact David Blackmur
ETME II next month at Harrogate confirms the desire by both the industry and the profession for an annual exhibition and conference held in January. A wide and varied selection of equipment will be on view at the exhibition which runs concurrently with a superbly organised seminar.

GOLF Projection International (UK) has been formed to add an extra dimension to the already successful West German based Golf Projection International. A golf project development and construction company.

The company will be head-quartered at the former course manager of the Wentworth Club. Kevin has been working in Germany as the technical director for G.P.I. during the past year.

In his role as managing director of G.P.I. (UK) Kevin will be bringing together a strong advisory and management team to offer a full service to golf development projects and golf establishments requiring expert advice.

Already on G.P.I.'s team are such names as Gary Player Design Ltd., John Jacob's Golf Associates.

This is obviously a team with a wealth of experience covering the whole aspect of design, construction and management of golf operations.

If you are starting out on a golf project or need help with an existing golf operation - we are your partners.

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A specialist team of sales staff with a thorough knowledge of the environment/amenity market are available to help with your enquiries.

1987 saw the establishment of a nursery site in Chobham, Surrey to support and supply landscape contractors etc in the London area.

The main production is in and around Hereford. Wyevale Transplants specialise in young seedlings and transplants. Wyevale not only grow advanced size trees but also offer a full planting and maintenance service.

We are also involved in a joint venture Floralime Roses who concentrate on the introduction, production and marketing of the Meildiland range of landscaping roses.

Aware of the increasing demand for high quality leisure facilities, which require attractive and sympathetic landscape planting Wyevale will be making a concerted effort during the 1990's to keep the Greenkeeping management sector of the industry fully aware of our product and services.

KUBOTA, the market leaders in compact tractors, are launching a new tractor at the European Turf Management Exhibition at Harrogate, 24-26 January 1990.

The Kubota L3250 is a 40hp machine with 32 PTO hp and 4WD, has integral power steering as standard and is an ideal tractor for the golf landscaping and local authority markets.

Improved linkage geometry means more than 100lb additional lift capacity and the extra hp, heavy duty clutch and gearbox provide the extra power vital for turf maintenance such as vertidrain work on sloping ground. For golf course applications special smooth profile turf tyres are available to protect fine turf.

Kubota are also showing the Kubota B580 series of 17-24hp compact tractors and highlighting the unique Kubota Bi-Speed Turn feature which makes turning tighter than any other 4WD tractor - an ideal steering system for mowing efficiency and turf protection.

All Kubota compact tractors can be fitted with a wide range of Kubota matched implements.

Kubota are specialists in turf care and at ETME are displaying models across their complete range of ride-on mowers, including the G1700 and G1900S - widely used for all day mowing of large acres.

Both models have new generation Kubota 3-cylinder diesel engines with TVCS - three vortex combustion - a system ensuring complete combustion, giving maximum fuel economy with greater power output and cleaner exhaust.

These machines are real workhorses and both models have hydrostatic transmission, cruise control to increase output with less effort, a quick attach mowing deck and a fuel tank that will permit all day working on a single fill-up.

and bottom blades for over 30 years and pride themselves on the ability to produce cylinders to fit any professional machine over 18" in length. During their 30 year span in the business a combination of high quality material expertise and techniques of manufacture have provided them with products of exceptional quality and durability, so much so that they are able to guarantee their cylinders. Should they break under the normal mowing conditions or upon hitting the odd immovable object such as sticks or stone, they undertake to replace them FREE OF CHARGE.

Over the past years they have concentrated on expansion of the export market, particularly into the United States of America, which they consider the area of greatest growth, and have supplied to many municipalities, golf clubs, resort hotel courses and country clubs.

The Lavery Grinder, developed within the Leader range by many as revolutionary, led to the Supreme Auto Leader, which is still the only machine of its type.

Single minded in producing perfection, a unique dual-purpose wheelhead was designed, quite unlike any other dual-purpose machine on the market which essentially incorporates two grinding stones, one of which is purely for cylinder production, and the other is a cup wheel for bottom blade needs.

From this the next step was to develop a full range of machines suitable for any type of business, from the largest, and to this end they launched a modular design, utilising the same frame size and specification for all machines, allowing one basic machine to be upgraded as and when required.

These machines are fully cabinet built and the operator has simply to switch them on and walk away, leaving them to spin and grind automatically. Far superior to the old and out-dated dry grinding units, which relied entirely to manual adjustment from each end of the machine and which M.M.M. maintain can never be truly accurate.