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BY the time you read these notes, all paid-up members should be in possession of both membership card and legal advisory service card - any member who is not please contact me as soon as possible. The establishment of the membership list has been a major exercise, with many changes of address to be documented and cheques arriving without application forms and vice versa, apart from cheques for incorrect amounts! I will now be seeking the assistance of Section Secretaries to break down the membership list on a sectional basis. Membership applications have nearly reached the 2000 mark. Of this figure approximately 35% are new members not connected with the previous Associations, which means that approximately half the members of the previous Associations have yet to join BIGGA. Whilst the initial response is, therefore, most encouraging, it is clear that a major membership drive is necessary in line with the new subscription year commencing in January.

## UPDATE

The General Purposes sub-committee has now considered entries for the logo competition, which were of a high standard. These were considered alongside commercial artist submissions to ensure that in deciding on a logo, the best possible choice was made for the new Association. The final choice was extremely difficult but, in deciding to choose a logo submitted by a commercial artist, the sub-committee agreed that an award should be made to the best entry from an Association Member. This award goes to Mr. Jim Russell, Assistant Course Manager, Hankley Common Golf Club. Well done Jim! - A blazer badge for the Association will be on its way to you in due course.

Now that we have an official logo, details are being finalised with regard to the Association's uniform. Members can, therefore, give early consideration to their requirements as it is hoped to make an official announcement on colours, costs etc. in the next edition of 'the Golf Course'.

Members may well be aware through their sections that Regional Meetings are being held

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