



## North-West

Lectures by G. Wright (November) and Chris Watmore (January) proved enjoyable occasions and certainly provoked much thought and discussion. However, I hope in future we can improve on the numbers attending.

On a happier note, may I say how pleasing it is to see so many of you wearing EIGGA blazers and ties—it all helps in our image building.

The AGM will be held at the Anchor Hotel, Saltrey on March 21 at 7.30pm.

The spring tournament has been arranged for Monday, April 9 at Heswell Golf Club—tee-off times from 8.30am. The cost includes a buffet and an evening meal and will be £7 to members and £8 to non-members. In order to assist with starting times and catering, entries with fees should be sent to the golf administrator by March 21.

Once again, any ideas or criticisms you may have will be given immediate attention. In order to keep members fully informed, the branch committee has decided to produce a quarterly bulletin in addition to the notes appearing in *Greenkeeper*.

A. Campbell.

## Eastern

The new Eastern branch of EIGGA started with a lecture at Stoke Rochford Golf Club by Jim Arthur on the basics of good greenkeeping.

This was followed early in the New Year by Jonathan Harmer's talk at Belton Park GC on liquid organic fertilisers.

Dates for 1984 include M. Walker of Sports Ground Irrigation discussing maintenance and the updating of irrigation systems—7pm, Monday, March 19, Stoke Rochford GC; a visit to Lindrick, which will be hosted by *Greenkeeper* contributor Eddie Park—starting 2pm, Monday, May 14; an 18-hole tournament (please phone for an entry form)—Monday, September 24, Burghley Park GC and, finally, a film and talk on the SISIS System—Monday, November 12, Stoke Rochford GC.

Enquiries regarding the Eastern branch to Peter Bloodworth, Cornbecks Farm, Irnham, Grantham. Tel: Corby Glen (047 684) 266.



Members of the North-West branch with EIGGA trustee David Jones and Mrs Danielle Jones, the association's general administrator.

## EIGGA AGM

The second annual general meeting of EIGGA will be held at Trinity Hall, Cambridge on Sunday April 15 at 3pm.

## Kent

The first of several EIGGA one-day seminars planned for the year has been organised by the enterprising Kent branch in conjunction with the Sports Turf Research Institute.

To be held at Broome Park Golf and Country Club on Tuesday, March 6, the cost of attending is just £7, which includes coffee, lunch and afternoon tea.

The day is open to anyone (including non-members of EIGGA) interested in golf-course care. Information and ticket details can be obtained from EIGGA general administrator Danielle Jones (Tel: Ipswich 711810), branch secretary John Atkins or Peter Wisbey (Tel: 0843 28512).

Programme: 9.55—Assemble And Chairman's Introduction; 10.00-11.00—Principles Of Golf Course Drainage (by Gordon Macadam); 11.00-11.45—Construction Of A Golf Green (Jeff Perris); 11.45-12 noon—Discussion; 12.00-12.30—Grasses With Special Reference To Poa Annua (Dr Peter Hayes); 12.30-1.30—Lunch; 1.30-2.15—Turf Diseases (Roy Woolhouse); 2.15-3.15—Problems Of Maintenance (David Stansfield); 3.15-3.45—Discussion; 3.45—Disperse.

Peter Wisbey.

## London

Several all-day functions have been organised by the London branch, including golf tournaments and mini-seminars and, although preliminary dates have been fixed, it wouldn't be prudent to announce details until they have been finalised.

A recent dinner-dance at the Post House Hotel was a great success and many thanks go to the 90 greenkeepers, trade representatives and friends who contributed to a very successful evening.

Special thanks to Anne and Tom McDonald for all their hard work, which was much appreciated.

## Dinner Date

The 1984 Annual Golf Greenkeepers' Dinner will be held at Walton Heath on Friday, March 23.

This successful event in the greenkeeping calendar has a slight variation from previous years with PGA professional John Stirling as guest speaker. As before, the evening will be preceded by a golf tournament.

The event is open to all parties concerned with turf culture and the related trades.

Further information can be obtained from David Wall on Leatherhead 377197 or Hugh MacGillivray on Worthing 691832.