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# Golf Course '84



Trinity Hall  
Cambridge

The full *Golf Course '84* programme is detailed on pages four and five and shows the intensive and varied programme that has been put together by the participating associations. Education classes in Irrigation, Cost Saving In Machinery Maintenance and Disease In Turf run concurrently with the respective general sessions.

All delegates will have received conference details. However, please ensure forms are returned to register for any or all of the classes.

*Golf Course '84* is a striking example of how the entire fine turf industry is coming together—literally under one roof.

It is good to report that the long-awaited meeting between SIGGA, EIGGA and the BGGGA took place last month at Hags Castle Golf Club, near Glasgow, having been previously postponed due to bad weather.

At the end of what appeared a very amicable meeting called to discuss matters of common interest between the associations, delegations went home to report to their ruling committees. Hopefully, each association will now wish to see this dialogue continue and look towards a more unified future.

Finally, this month's *Greenkeeper* presents a larger-than-ever issue of the magazine. Not only does it include contributions by regular writers, but articles from two distinguished members of the greenkeeping profession—Walter Woods of SIGGA and links supervisor at St Andrews and Jack McMillan, EIGGA president and course manager at Sunningdale. They also comment in *Notebook* (page 29) on the Verti-Drain, which is pictured on this month's front cover working the 18th fairway of the Old Course at St Andrews.



Walter Woods



Jack McMillan

# Golf Course '84

From April 12-15 at Trinity Hall, Cambridge

## THURSDAY, APRIL 12

### British Association Golf Course Architects

- 2.00-2.45 Donald Steel  
2.45-3.30 Donald Harradine  
*The Architect's Relationship With Other Aspects Of The Game*
- 3.30-4.00 Tea  
4.00-5.00 Geoffrey Cornish  
*The History Of The Golf Course Architect*  
Get Acquainted Party  
Dinner

## FRIDAY, APRIL 13

### British Turf Irrigation Association

- 9.00-9.15 Vivian Auer—BTIA Chairman  
*Introduction To The BTIA*
- 9.15-9.50 Martyn Jones—Agronomist  
*Management Of Irrigation Systems*
- 9.50-10.10 Andrew Lawrence—Weir Pumps  
*Pumping Systems For Irrigation*
- 10.10-10.30 Graham Carson—Wavin Plastics  
*Pipework—Fittings For Irrigation Systems*
- 10.30-11.00 Coffee  
11.00-11.30 Jim Webb—Severn Trent Water Authority  
*Golf Course Irrigation Systems—The Water Authorities' View*
- 11.30-12.15 Dr Jim Watson—USGA Greens Section  
*The Past, Present And Future Of Turfgrass Irrigation*
- 12.15-12.30 Open Discussion Forum With All Speakers  
12.30-2.00 Lunch

### British Association Of Golf Course Constructors

- 2.00-2.45 Dr W. Adams—University of Aberystwyth  
*Sand Technology In Golf*
- 2.45-3.30 Peter Jenkins—Scapa Leisure Surfaces  
*Synthetics In Golf*
- 3.30-3.45 Tea  
3.45-4.30 Dennis Turner—Parks Manager, Maidstone Borough Council  
*Enduring The Constructor On Your Golf Course*

- 4.30-5.15 Cabell Robinson—Robert Trent Jones S.A.  
*Construction Management In Europe*  
After Dinner: Film Show

## SATURDAY, APRIL 14

### Scottish And International Golf Greenkeepers' Association

- 9.00-10.30 SIGGA Programme Delivered By Chris Kennedy—SIGGA Chairman; Jimmy Kidd—Course Manager, Gleneagles Hotel; Walter Woods—Links Supervisor, St Andrews
- 10.30-11.00 Coffee

### PGA European Tour

- 11.00-12.30 George O'Grady or Tony Gray  
*What The PGA Expects From A Tournament Venue*
- 12.30-2.00 Lunch

### Golf Course Superintendents' Association Of America

- 2.00-2.45 James Prusa—Director Of Education GCSAA  
*GCSAA In Action*
- 2.45-3.30 Stanley J. Zontek—Regional Director USGA  
*USGA Greens Section*
- 3.30-3.45 Tea  
3.45-4.30 Bruce Williams—Superintendent, Bob O'Link Golf Club, Illinois  
*The American Golf Course Superintendent*
- 4.30-5.15 Dr James Watson—TORO  
*The Turfgrass Industry, Past, Present And Future*  
Formal Dinner With Guest Speaker Bruce Critchley—BBC TV Golf Commentator And Former International

## SUNDAY, APRIL 15

### English And International Golf Greenkeepers' Association

- 10.30-11.00 Dr Peter Hayes—Director Of The Sports Turf Research Institute  
*The Maintenance Problems Found On Advisory Visits*

- 11.00-11.30 Jim Arthur B.Sc (Agric)—Agronomist To The R & A  
*Open Championship Course Preparation*
- 11.30-12.00 Lawrence Pithie—Course Manager, Minchinhampton Golf Club  
*Management Of Different Types Of Course*
- 12.00-12.30 Peter Wisbey—Course Manager, North Foreland Golf Club  
*Safety At Work*
- 12.30-12.45 Jack McMillan—EIGGA President  
12.45-2.00 Lunch  
2.00 AGMs Of The British Association Of Golf Course Architects, British Association Of Golf Course Constructors, English And International Golf Greenkeepers' Association  
After Dinner: Film Show And Live TV Coverage Of The US Masters

## MONDAY, APRIL 16

### Golf At The Gog Magog Golf Club

- 10.00 Nominated Teams Of Three From Each Association Competing For The *Greenkeeper Trophy*—(Total Stableford Score) In An Inter-Association Competition. Associations Can Advise *Greenkeeper* Of Players' Names At *Golf Course '84*

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## Education Classes

### THURSDAY, APRIL 12

#### Irrigation

- 10.00-10.30 George Shiels—Senior Lecturer In Horticulture, Writtle Agricultural College  
*Calculation Of Irrigation Requirement*
- 10.30-11.00 Robin Hume—E.A. Yates And Sons, Sandbach  
*Water Supply And Storage*
- 11.00-11.45 Dirk Lenie—Rain Bird International  
*The Concept And Design Requirement Of A Pop-Up Sprinkler*
- 11.45-12.15 Robin Hume, E.A. Yates And Bill Hawthorn—Watermation  
*Pumping Systems And Pipework*
- 12.15-13.00 Peter Roberts—TORO And Bill Hawthorn—Watermation  
*Control Systems*

- 11.00-12.00 Brian Mitchell Of Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies  
*Hydraulic Systems—Their Use, Operation And Maintenance And Fault Finding*
- 12.00-12.30 David Halford Of Lancashire College Of Agriculture And Horticulture, Myerscough Hall  
*Back Lapping—An Aid To Keeping A Good Edge*

### SATURDAY, APRIL 14

#### Disease In Turf

- 9.00-9.30 Roy Woolhouse—Sports Turf Research Institute  
*Fusarium Patch Disease*
- 9.30-9.45 Questions
- 9.45-10.15 *Red Thread And Take-All*
- 10.15-10.30 Questions
- 10.30-11.00 Coffee
- 11.00-11.45 Graham Paul Of May & Baker  
*Fairy Rings*
- 11.45-12.15 *Colletotrichum, Drechslera Leaf Spot And Seedling Diseases*
- 12.15-12.30 Questions

### FRIDAY, APRIL 13

#### Cost Saving In Machinery Maintenance

- 9.00-9.45 James Dawson And Sons, Lincoln  
*Types, Selection, Fitting And Maintenance Of Belts For The Transmission Of Power*
- 9.45-10.30 Chris Prevost Of Autocar  
Electrical Equipment, Barking  
*Petrol Versus L.P.G. Versus Diesel*
- 10.30-11.00 Coffee

### SUNDAY, APRIL 15

- 8.30-10.00 Self Assessment Test In Class  
Subjects By Lecturers Concerned

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