News & Views



South Wales

Further to the notice in last month's *Greenkeeper*, the branch's summer golf tournament and evening lecture at Royal Porthcawl will take place on Monday July 28 and *not* July 29 as previously announced.

Full details of the day, which is to be sponsored by Rigby Taylor, can be had by contacting Bruce Jamieson (tel: 0656 771820), David Lynn (065671 1307), Mike Wilson (05546 3708) or Raymond Hunt (0656 771335).

The cost for EIGGA members is \$9.50 - guests \$11. For members wishing to attend the lecture only, there is no charge.

The branch is to hold a two-day educational seminar at the Abbey Hotel, Malvern, Worcestershire on November 1-2. Speakers, most of whom will be greenkeepers, are being sought.

Malvern is located in a picturesque part of the country and with its relatively central location close to the motorway network, it is hoped that members from other EIGGA branches will attend. *Raymond Hunt.*

Surrey

The spring tournament was held at Hankley Common Golf Club. Our thanks go to the club for the courtesy of the course and use of the clubhouse, Ian McMillan and staff for presenting the course in first-class condition and the clubhouse staff for an excellent meal.

Thanks also to Keith Cleverly, whose company ICI sponsored the event, and all the other trade members present for providing a superb prize table.

The result of the 36-hole tournament was: Best net M. Connors (12) 140, 2nd net P. King (18) 147, 3rd net D. Lenham (12) 151, 4th net P. Weston (13) 151, Best gross B. Turner 147, Best am S. McMillan (12) 70, Best pm R. Summers (24) 68, Over 12 handicap J. Borja (7) 151 and Veterans' Cup R. Johnson (16).

The Cresta Cup has also been played and our thanks go to New Zealand GC and the artisan's section for the use of the clubhouse. Also thanks to J. Liddington and staff – the course was looking and playing superb – and Maralyn Johnson for the much-needed meal.

The result of the Cresta Cup was: 1st P. Doughty (24) 42 points, won on back nine from P. Pearse (6) 42 points, 3rd M. Connors (17) 41 points, 4th J. Jennings (20) 38 points.

Our next meeting is the McMillan Tankard at Sunningdale on August 8. Send in your entry forms as soon as possible, please.

Finally, on behalf of all Surrey members, I would like to wish R. Johnson and his wife Peggy a long and happy retirement. *Paul Pearse.*

North-West

The joint EIGGA/BGGA caravan at the Southport show proved a success with all present having an enjoyable time entertaining many visitors. Many thanks to everyone concerned, especially Terry Adamson for the caravan and all his hard work.

The golf match at Chester was won by the hosts $4\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}$. Well done Dave Lucas and Len Sproston for gaining half a point!

Thanks again to the captain and

secretary for the use of the course and clubhouse and congratulations Len for the excellent condition of the course. *Guy Cannings.*

Kent

The next golf meeting will be at Canterbury GC on Thursday July 24, starting at 3pm. It would help if those wishing to play could give me a call on Whitstable 266089 beforehand.

The other golf meeting is at Cobtree Manor on September 9. More details later.

Our big event this year will be a one-day seminar at Broome Park on October 15. At the time of writing, the following speakers are expected – Nick Park, Jack McMillan, Martin Hawtree, Chris Mardon and Walton Heath secretary Bill McRea.

All are giving up their time to talk, so please let's have a full house. The last seminar we held at Broome Park was our biggest success to date and this year's event could well be a sell out, so when you receive your ticket application form, reply promptly.

Starting at 9.30 for ten, with morning coffee and a hot lunch, the cost is $\pounds 12$. There will be a discount of ten per cent for clubs that pay for their entire greenstaff to attend.

Please make a note of all these dates in your diary. More news of Kent greenkeeping next month. John Atkins.

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