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Front cover: Two of golf's big guns get to grips with their tasks. In the foreground is the new TORO Reelmaster 216. A triplex mower combining many unique features, it's ideal for tackling small areas of golf courses. The all-conquering TORO 450D (background) is the biggest in the range - tough and reliable, it's a daily workhorse. Send for literature, dealer information or arrange any trial or demonstration by contacting LELY (UK) Ltd, Station Road, St Neots, Huntingdon, Cambs PE19 1QH or phone 0480 76971.



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Greenkeeper wishes all trade representatives and golf greenkeepers a very happy Christmas and a prosperous - as well as united - New Year!

BIGGA is born

The following press release was issued by the Board of Management of the BIGGA

The first meeting of the appointed board of management of the British and International Golf Greenkeepers Association took place in York on 19th November 1986.

Elected representatives from the disbanding Associations EIGGA, SIGGA and BGGGA in conjunction with assistance from the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews held constructive discussions on the foundation of this new Association which effectively comes into being on 1st January 1987.

Walter Woods, Links Supervisor, St. Andrews, was unanimously elected first president of BIGGA, Jack McMillan, Course Manager, Sunningdale Golf Club Vice Chairman, elect.

Board of Management members

Peter Wilson	R & A and English Golf Union
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Consultants are to be instructed as soon as possible to assist the board in the appointment of an administrator capable of handling the affairs of the Association.

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Greenkeeper wishes the new Association well and the entire industry will applaud the swift progress made to date. Let us hope that BIGGA grows from strength to strength.