

# a brighter future



Andrew's love of the land started at a very early age and he went straight into greenkeeping when he left school. He moved to a firm of horticultural engineers but it wasn't long before the lure of the golf course brought him back to where he belonged. Andrew, aged 36, is committed to his education and has attended a variety of BIGGA courses.

**Trolleys – Do They Really Damage our Golf Courses?** by Andrew Boyd is presented at 3.50pm, Wednesday January 19 in the Royal Hall.

Speaking in Harrogate will be

something completely different from the time Peter Greenhough took to the stage in 1988: then he was lecturing in India, Singapore, Indonesia and Thailand.

Peter, a former Yorkshire County Player and member of the Royal & Ancient Rules of Golf Committee, will speak on **The Greenkeeper and the Rules of Golf**.

The joint managing director of an insurance group and present captain of Brough Golf Club, has a extensive knowledge of his subject for the educational seminar programme. He was guest lecturer at the Royal Canadian Golf

Association Rules Seminar and Examinations in 1988 and is presently serving on the R&A's championship committee.

**The Greenkeeper and the Rules of Golf** by Peter Greenhough is presented at 9.30am, Thursday January 20 in the Royal Hall.



Peter Dickens, chief surveyor with the Ordnance Survey Office, brings his experience to bear in his presentation **Ordnance Survey – More than Coarse Maps**. Hear Peter at 10.30am, Friday January 24 in the Royal Hall.

## Engineering group holds first meeting at BTME

'Golf course engineering – from green field to fine turf' is to be the theme of the inaugural open meeting of the Institution of Agricultural Engineers' newly-formed Amenity and Ecological Engineering group. To be held in conjunction with the BTME, the seminar is scheduled to take place between 2pm and 5pm on Thursday, 20 January 1994 at the St George Swallow Hotel, 1 Ripon Road, Harrogate.

The meeting will address three areas of specific interest to engineers, greenkeepers and others concerned with the future development and application of machines, methods and systems employed within the professional turf and

grounds maintenance industry.

A trio of authoritative speakers will be chaired by Brian Hurtley, vice president of Kubota (UK) Ltd. First to take the floor will be leading golf course architect, Peter McEvoy, who will consider the design and development of new courses, working in harmony and sympathy with the natural landscape and local environment.

The second speaker, Dr Bill Adams from the University of Wales, will discuss developments in the construction and drainage of golf greens, tees and fairways with particular emphasis on the different approaches needed in the design and maintenance of sports turf drainage

compared with systems used in agriculture.

Finally, Alistair Beggs of the STRI will present an overview of current turf maintenance equipment and ask whether greenkeepers have available to them the best machinery designs and technology for the job. An open forum is planned for the concluding session, when delegates will be able to quiz the speakers and air their views on the matters discussed.

Free registration: contact John Gowing, secretary of the Institution of Agricultural Engineers' Amenity and Ecological Engineering group on 091 222 6811 or by fax on 091 222 6720.

## Special hotel rates for BTME delegates

For the third year running the The Old Swan has been chosen as the official exhibition hotel. Conveniently located for the Exhibition being less than five minutes walk away and enjoying excellent standards, its special rates are as follows:

Double/Twin .....	£64.00
Double/Twin for single occupancy .....	£50.00
Single .....	£45.00

Prices are inclusive of breakfast and VAT.

The Old Swan will be the venue for the pre-Exhibition Workshops and the social programme. A hospitality room will be open in the evenings where everyone connected with the BTME can meet and relax.

Each of the hotel's 135 rooms has its own bathroom, colour TV and direct dial telephone.

Should you wish to stay at The Old Swan please contact them direct on 0423 500055, quoting the BIGGA Exhibition to make sure of these special rates.

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## Opening times

The 1994 BTME runs from Wednesday January 19 until Friday January 21. The exhibition is open from 9am on all three days. It closes at 5.30pm on Wednesday and Thursday and at 1.30pm on Friday.

The opening ceremony and presentation of industry and education awards, by the Rt Hon The Lord Griffiths MC, takes place on Wednesday January 19 at 10.30am and is followed by the first public viewing and launch of the BIGGA career video.

## Getting there

If you're driving into Harrogate, RAC road signs will direct you to where you want to go. There are plenty of car parks or off-road positions within easy walking distance of the show.

Rail links to Harrogate are good and there are direct Intercity services from London King's Cross.

The nearest international airport is Leeds/Bradford (13 miles/20 minutes by taxi). Manchester Airport is one and a half hours drive away.

## Getting in

Use the pre-registration card in this magazine and gain preferential admission to BTME. This helps cut the inevitable queues and means you can simply collect your badge and walk in. What's more, when you pre-register you also stand the chance of winning £200-worth of prizes. The pre-registration card is post-paid, so you don't even need a stamp. Send yours off today!

## Quiz night

Just for fun, a general knowledge quiz night will take place at the Old Swan Hotel starting at 8.30pm on Wednesday January 19. There's no charge for taking part, but let BIGGA HQ know if you'd like to join in but you haven't indicated as such on your booking form. Call Samantha on 0347 838581.



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The BIGGA Annual General Meeting will for the first time be held during the BTME. Please make a note of the date and time:

**Wednesday  
19th January, 5.15 pm at  
the Old Swan Hotel**

Membership cards must be produced.