

Excellence in golf awards at Gleneagles



The Gleneagles Excellence in Golf certificates and bursary awards have been presented to seven Higher National Diploma golf management students following their one year placement at Gleneagles.

Peter Lederer, Gleneagles' Managing Director, and Andrew Sunaway, Sales and Marketing Director of Ransomes the scheme's sponsors, presented the awards in the company of David

McInroy, Scottish Grass Machinery, and Robert McLaren, Chairman of co-sponsor the Greenkeepers Training Committee.

Stuart Green, Reaseheath College, was top student following practical, theoretical and project assessments by a panel consisting of James Kidd, Gleneagles Golf Developments, Martyn Jones, Myerscough College, Dennis Mortram, Reaseheath College, Tracey Samways, Gleneagles' training

officer, and Scott Fenwick, head greenkeeper on the King's course.

Stuart received a cheque to include a trip to the Golf Course Superintendents Association conference and show in Orlando, Florida, next year.

Other recipients of Certificates of Excellence and bursary awards were Jeff Hardcastle, John Kelsey, Keith Ratcliff, Lisa Gifford, Margeir Vilhjalmsson and Simon Crawford.

The 1995/96 scheme is to be extended with students representing nine UK colleges and one from Brisbane, Australia, who for the past year has been seconded to Shoal Creek Golf Club, Alabama.

The sponsors are committed to a three year bursary award and financing a research library at Gleneagles for the benefit of students and existing golf course operational staff.

Go-Karting is sponsorship for greenkeepers with a difference

New for 1995 is a Greenkeepers' sponsorship with a difference. This month, a six-man karting team, competing in the 250cc class for national honours, will carry the Barenbrug colours.

The Barenbrug/Grass Roots Go-Kart team are getting ready for a winter of competition on their recently-acquired pro-karts, in preparation for a summer of higher profile championship racing.

The upcoming competition events won't be quite as glamorous as the summer championships but they will provide the team with invaluable, practical experience.

The six-man team, pictured, comprises of four golf club Course Managers - Cameron McMillan, Stockley Park; Gavin Kyle, Sutton Green; Phil Chiverton, The Buckinghamshire and Stuart McMillan, Leatherhead; one Managing Director - Jamie Bennett, of Grass Roots, and one Head



Greenkeeper - Tony Kyle, Stockley Park. It is Cameron who has assumed the duties of managing the team and developing it into a cohesive and unbeatable unit!

Selection for the team was determined strictly on racing merit. Those who were fastest

on the single-engine karts were allowed to progress to double-engine, pro-kart trials. All six team members are now holders of pro-kart licences and are currently practising on the two pro-kart machines which the team took delivery of at the end of August.



If you're not already a member

...it must be because you're not aware of the many benefits of membership.

If you want to know what they are, you need to get hold of a copy of November's issue of *Greenkeeper International*. If you can't wait until then, ring Janet on 01347 838581 for more information.

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