



Facts you need to know...

BTME Opening Times

Wednesday January 21:

9am-5.30pm

Thursday January 22:

9am-5.30pm

Friday January 23:

9am to 1.30pm

Booking System

Any delegate wishing to book hotels, seminar sessions, or the banquet should contact Sami Collins at BIGGA Headquarters Tel: 01347 838581

AGM

The BIGGA Annual General Meeting will take place at the Majestic Hotel at 5.45pm on Wednesday January 21, 1998. All members are urged to attend but membership cards must be produced.

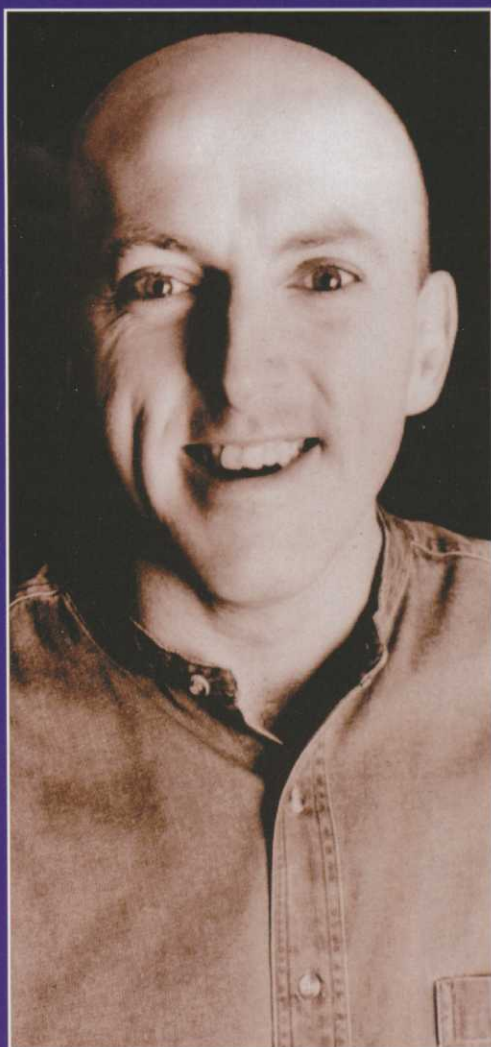
Competitions

The winner of BIGGA's superb prize draw to win a trip to Harrogate for three nights at a top hotel and entry to all educational seminar sessions is Nigel Aiken of Belfast.

In second place and winner of a trip to Harrogate and accommodation for two nights as well as entry into the educational seminar sessions is Mr J. H. Bragg, from Crete and third is Michael Smith of Southampton who wins one night's accommodation and entry to all seminar sessions.

The winner of the Christmas Hamper for registering before November 14 was Steve Holmes of Hyndhead GC in Surrey.

Entertainment at BTME



Lee Hurst



Linda Nolan

We thought our search was over... it is now!

Over the last few months the staff at BIGGA Headquarters have spent many hours on one of the biggest problems the Association faces on an annual basis – how do we improve on the previous year's entertainment at the Thursday night banquet?

As you can imagine each year this task becomes more difficult as standards continue to rise. You will no doubt remember the last three years with Tom O'Connor, Stan Boardman and Bobby Davro topping the bill.

At the end of each of these evenings people left feeling they had a whale of a time and often ribbed us about how difficult it will be even to match it the following year.

It is a responsibility we have

not taken lightly and this year the search for a star has taken many telephone calls and long arduous hours watching videos ensuring that what we will present to our guests on that memorable Thursday evening next January will be the best we could possibly get.

Often we thought it was all over and we had succeeded... only to have our hopes dashed as some of the biggest name entertainers in the country couldn't wriggle out of previous engagements to free up a date BIGGA has had set in stone for years.

Undoubtedly it was all for the best because our patience was rewarded tenfold with the signing of one of the country's finest stand-up comedians – a

man who has simply exploded onto the scene over the last three years and following innumerable television appearances and a nationwide tour is one of the highest profile – and funniest – comedians in the land.

Many times we thought our search was over... but – with the signing of Lee Hurst – it is now!

But that's not all. There is one person who is still talked about in hushed tones amid greenkeeping circles on both sides of the Atlantic following her outrageous performance at BTME '95 and, you've guessed it, we've brought her back. Linda Nolan will be strutting her stuff again at BTME '98.

You know where to go for tickets. Don't wait to be disappointed.

Workshops One and Three and now SOLD OUT. For details of course availability please contact Sami Collins on 01347 838581