



## MASTER GREENKEEPERS COLLECT THEIR PRAISE

The ranks of the Master Greenkeepers were added to at BTME with the presentation of three more plaques – bringing the number of greenkeepers worldwide with the distinction to 14.

One of the three, Mark Broughton, of Morecambe GC, had previously been presented with his Master Greenkeeper blazer at The Open Championship at Royal Lytham and St Annes last year but the other two Ian McMillan, of Balbirnie Park GC, Markinch, Scotland and Gary Grigg, Royal Poinciana GC and the immediate Past President of the GCSAA, received both their blazers and their plaques at Harrogate.



Entertainment of varying qualities was provided during week by the **BIGGA Boys**, the **BIGGA Girls**, **Laine Kennedy** and **Bobby Davro**.



■ Laurence Pithie, MG, led a strong delegation from American Golf (UK) Ltd, the largest golf operating company in the world.

"BTME was an excellent opportunity for us to meet all our suppliers under one roof as well as meeting colleagues to discuss business in general," explained Laurence, Director of Maintenance for the company in the UK.

■ One of the busiest stands on the Wednesday was Miracle Professional's who had Danni, the Miracle Girl, who stars in BIGGA's calendar and Miracle's latest adverts, as a special guest.

Danni, who by coincidence appeared on a certain page of a certain newspaper on the same day as she visited BTME, spent her time signing posters of herself for visitors.

She is pictured with Miracle Boys, Steve Hall and Johnny Beck.



The prize draw, open to any member who had introduced two new members to the Association, was won by David Murdoch, Head Greenkeeper at Liphook GC, in Hampshire. David, whose name was drawn by Viscount Whitelaw wins a £600 holiday voucher.