Scotch mist fails to help Peter

The annual match between BIGGA Scottish Region and the Assocation of Golf Club Secretaries, at Glasgow Gailes GC, ended in defeat for BIGGA and their Captain, Regional Administrator, Peter Boyd.

While still a rookie, Captain Boyd, did manage to amass an impressive array of excuses for the 7-3 defeat in the 20 man aside contest - the team had been fooled by the lack of rain; the team had been fooled by the lack of wind and finally that the

secretaries had made full use of their handicaps.

I don't think Seve himself would have been able to come up with a better set had the Ryder Cup result gone a different way.

Despite the result everyone had a most enjoyable day with the weather being kind and the hospitality from the golf club first class. Our thanks to the Captain and Council of Glasgow Golf Club for affording us the facilities for the day," said Peter.

The BIGGA winners were

Willie McMeakan, Turnberry Hotel, and John Scott, Kirkhill GC, and Strand Schling Children Schling Martin Lothian, Turnberry Hotel, and Stuart Crawford, North Berwick CC and Strand Schlinge Craining GC, and Steve Sullivan, Craigie Hill GC halved their matches while Peter Boyd himself also managed a win.

"We look forward to next year's fixture and hopefully we can improve and regain the Trophy," said Peter.

Aerators get to the point

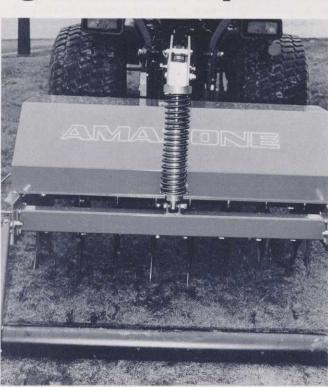
Amazone Ground Care has launched new range of slitter/aerators. The new four-model range incorporates a unique blade configuration that ensures high point pressure across the full width of the implement at high operating speeds, while exerting 91kg point pressure for entry into the thickest thatch.

Designated the Amazone, SLC and SLS series, they replace the current SL range. All the new models are three-point linkage mounted. The SL has a 1.2 metre working width, the SLC 1.2 metres and 2.4 metres; that of the SLS, which features a new contour following system, is 1.2 metres.

The SL forms the base of the new range and is intended for working on flat ground. Its fully enclosed 1.2 metre-wide grounddriven rotor is fitted with 40 blades, each of which, uniquely, is mounted with a 10 degree offset

With that pattern, all the points in contact with the surface penetrate the ground to an equal depth when the slitter is driven forward, so eliminating the 'walking' effect associated with some blade layouts.

Both the 1.2 metre-wide SLC and the 2.4 metre-wide version also feature contour following through a floating chain and bar support at the rear of the implement. Penetration depth on



these models is by means of weights around the rotor axle.

At the top of the new slitter range is the 1.2 metre-wide SLS. This model features a new contour following mechanism, comprising a front-mounted hydraulic depth ram connected through an arm to a pre-loaded

spring anchored to the frame at the rear of they implement.

When crossing an undulation the operating depth is main-tained through ram pressure, while the spring releases to enable the tractor's rear wheels to remain on the ground, so maintaining traction.





Tracey Maddison is BIGGA's new Membership Services Officer having taken up the post at the beginning of April.

A native of York, Tracey joins the Association having recently completed a three year Leisure Studies degree course at Leeds Metropolitan University where she became interested in training and development and membership/sales.

Since leaving university I have gained experience in the design of training and development material as a desk top pub-lisher within a management consulting company" explained Tracey.

"I returned to education after eight years or so working in a variety of administration/secretarial roles and perhaps more excitingly travelling around the world for a year, visiting Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, Malaysia and Europe, where I saw some of the most amazing golf courses, from the most beautiful to the most obscure!" she added.

"I have many hobbies, most of which are sport orientated, including golf which I played in my past and will possibly take it up again now that I am situated in such a lovely locality as Aldwark Manor. I also enjoy squash and aerobics.

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