



Excellence in Greenkeeping finalists



Name: Richard Whyman
Age: 39
Golf Club: Bude & North Cornwall Golf Club

Richard has been at Bude and North Cornwall as Head Greenkeeper for 14 years. He has been Section Administrator of the Devon and Cornwall Section since 1989 and was South West and South Wales Regional Chairman from '95 to '97. He has been married for 17 years and lists his hobbies as golf which he plays to a handicap of 9, football where he supports and watches Leeds United and enjoys most sports.



Name: Allan McDougall
Age: 40
Golf Club: Royal Mid Surrey Golf Club

Allan was born on the Isle of Bute and comes from greenkeeping stock - his father was Head Greenkeeper at Hilton Park in Glasgow and Allan worked under him for a time. He has been at Royal Mid Surrey in Richmond since '95 managing both courses. Married with two children he is a former 1 handicapper although he now plays off 10 and he plays football in what he describes as a geriatric league. He is also a keen follower of speedway and National Hunt racing.



Name: John Quinn
Age: 33
Golf Club: Elmwood College Golf Club

John has been involved in the development of the new Elmwood College course since before it opened as his remit was to oversee the planning, construction, grow-in and development of the Cupar course. He is currently studying towards a BSc with the Open University and has recently passed Stage 2 towards the Master Greenkeeper Certificate.



Name: John Coleman
Age: 27
Golf Club: Abbeydale Golf Club

John was appointed head man at the Sheffield club at the age of 22 and since then, as well as on-course work, has been responsible for the development of a new maintenance facility at the course and conceived and designed a new 4mm tine which in partnership with a major company, has seen into production. He is a former finalist in the Toro Student of the Year Award.



Name: Andy Campbell
Age: 38
Golf Club: Carden Park Hotel Golf Resort and Spa

Andy, who at BTME '98, was presented with his Master Greenkeeper blazer and plaque is responsible for the maintenance of 45 golf holes including the newly opened Nicklaus-designed course and the general maintenance of the 750 acre estate which includes four acres of formal gardens, a vineyard and a herd of red deer. He has been at Carden Park, just outside Chester, since '92, and manages a staff of 36 including six modern apprentices.



Name: Peter Wisbey
Age: 51
Golf Club: National Golf Centre, Woodhall Spa.

Peter was appointed Courses Manager at the National Golf Centre in 1996 and has overseen the on-going maintenance programme on the world-famous Hotchkin course as well as the successful growing in of the new Bracken course opened earlier this year. Peter worked initially at North Foreland in Kent before moving to Portugal where he worked on San Lorenzo, Penina and Pinheiros Altos finally becoming Technical Director of the original Quinta do Lago courses.