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# Profile

Usually the spotlight falls on the Course Manager or Head Greenkeeper at a Club.

Now it is the turn of those whose work often goes unheralded to star.



**Name:** Colin Noble  
**Club:** Cathcart Castle GC  
**Position:** Assistant  
**Age:** 20

**1. How long have you been a greenkeeper?**

3 years

**2. What education are you currently undertaking?**

SVQ III at Elmwood College

**3. Which one task do you most enjoy doing?**

Cutting greens on competition days. (No golfers to hold us up!)

**4. Which one task do you most dislike doing?**

Emptying bins on a warm day

**5. What job other than greenkeeping might you have ended up doing?**

Greenkeeping is what I decided I wanted to do from high school but I would probably have become a student or tried to get an assistant pro's job at a golf course.

**6. Who has been the biggest influence on your career?**

Robert Hogarth and Elmwood College

**7. What would you do to improve the life of a greenkeeper?**

Educate members on how to recognise when a course is unplayable

**8. What are your hobbies?**

Golf, football

**9. What do you get out of BIGGA?**

Education, helplines, outings and magazine

**10. What do you hope to be doing in 10 years time?**

In charge of a team of greenkeepers on a good quality course and working with a very good committee

# Norrie Whytock Trophy goes West

The Scottish Inter Section Tournament for the Norrie Whytock Memorial Trophy was played at Leven Links GC on one of the five best days of the summer.

The five Sections had their top players out for the challenge of winning the Trophy, which was being played for the third time, and the North Section were hoping to maintain their monopoly of it.

The tournament is run with teams of four playing Stableford with the three best scores counting. However at the end of the day two teams were locked together on 93 points and could not be separated despite various attempts so for the first time the two scores not used were taken into account.

This resulted in the West Section taking the Trophy by two points from the East Section. The difference may have been accounted for by the fact that the fourth member of the West team played all 18 holes while the fourth of the East packed in after 16 because he said he was playing badly.

Many thanks to tournament sponsors, Rhone Poulenc; organisers, McKenzie Munro, Rhone Poulenc's Scottish Area Sales Manager, Peter Boyd, and Andy O'Hara and his staff.



The victorious West Section receive their trophies

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