

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: Tracey Scourfield

Club: Vale of Llangollen

Position: First Assistant

Age: 27

1. How long have you been a greenkeeper? Nine years

2. What education are you currently undertaking? Level 3 at the Welsh College of Horticulture, Northop

3. Which one task do you most enjoy doing? Cutting the greens on a summer's morning

4. Which one task do you most dislike doing? Aerating the greens

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

6. Who has been the biggest influence on your career My Course Manager, Jeremy Hughes

7. What would you do to improve the life of a greenkeeper?
Get golfers to realise that when

the closed sign is up that it's for the good of the course and not just to annoy them!

8. What are your hobbies? Going to the gym, reading Stephen King novels and surfing the web

9. What do you get out of **BIGGA?** BTME and educational seminars

10. What do you hope to be doing in 10 years time? Working somewhere where it doesn't rain 12 months of the

New Golf Course Consultancy formed

John Nicholson has joined with architect, Ken Moodie and golfer Ken Brown to form a new Golf Course Consultancy

The services offered by the new company range from feasibility studies, layout propossals, advice on construction programmes, production of contract documents, woodland design and establishment, grant applications as well as advice on all aspects of existing courses.

"The growth of John Nicholson Associates has meant that golf course architecture was increasingly becoming an issue that had to be dealt with and the natural progression was to

expand into the area.

"It soon became apparent that the philosophies held by Ken Moodie, Ken Brown and myself were so similar that the obvious solution was to work together," said John.



Career move to Renault for lan



Renault has appointed Ian Thomson as its new Groundcare Product Manager, with responsibility for tractor sales to the non-agricultural sector.

He joins Renault from Scottish Grass Machinery, where he set-up, and was manager of, its SGM Industrial division, for which he took on the nonagricultural franchise for Renault in Scotland which proved a tremendous success among both the groundcare and local authority sectors

"There is massive potential in the non-agricultural sector and it is the product that has drawn me to Renault," says Ian.

'Renault is the only wholly European tractor manufacturer left. Ít has the product range to suit the market and various sectors within it.'

Tim's appointment at Grass Science



Grass Science, has appointed Tim Colclough as an Agronomist.

Tim has a background in geography, geology and crop protection (specialising in soil science).

He began his career with the STRI before leaving in 1994 to retrain in the education sector.

After a period of teaching for South Tyneside LEA in 1998 he moved on to become a lecturer in Turf Science at Myerscough College

Tim has a vast knowledge on golf course maintenance and other sports turf areas and is an important addition to the team.

He is in the process of establishing an office in the North East which will allow him to service this area quickly and efficiently.

BTLIA announce award winners

The British Turf & Landscape Irrigation Association Personality of the Year, announced at BTME, is Prime, Director, Prime Glyn Irrigation Ltd.

Glyn, who joined the family business in 1964, then involved in agricultral and horticultural markets, later became head of system design, adapting his skills to the sports turf market when his company broadened the scope of operations, in 1986.

"I was very surprised - shocked perhaps - to receive the award which made to me as an individual, also reflects great credit on my company. We have been members of the BTLIA for 14 years and I know first hand, just how much work the organising committee accomplished for the good of all those involved in designing, installing and using fine turf irrigation," said Glyn.

A tree-mendous move for David



David Cassie recently joined the tree and woodland management firm of Eamonn Wall & Co., based at their Dollar office, where he has taken over from Steve Collins, recently departed on a five year stint to Honduras. The firm specialises in the planting and management of trees in the golfing landscape and David, a native of Newcastle with a degree from Aberdeen University, will be working on golf courses throughout Scotland and England.

Carl gets new role at Sisis

Carl Tooley has been appointed Sales Office Coordinator at Sisis Equipment Ltd, the Cheshire based turf maintenance machinery

Carl has 22 years experience with SISIS, having worked as an assembler, in Spares Despatch and then for 14 years as Stores Supervisor. Carl was Cheshire Youth Darts Champion and his other hobbies include computers, growing fruit trees, biking and supporting Manchester City FC.



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