

Neil Thomas (right) Executive Director, BIGGA signing the contract for ClubHouse



# ClubHouse



In a major industry development BIGGA has successfully brought together the two principal trade shows in the fields of fine turf and golf club management and will host them in Harrogate as from January 2003.

The Clubhouse Exhibition will move to Harrogate next January after the rights were acquired by BIGGA, who will run the Show alongside BTME.

The Clubhouse Exhibition, which was previously owned and staged by the NEC, Birmingham, will have its own identity within Hall D of the Harrogate International Centre while BTME, which is now entering its 15th year, continues to expand into the other Halls. Routing will allow visitors to take in both exhibitions making it the major event of its type in Europe.

Commenting on this important development BIGGA's Executive Director, Neil Thomas said: "I am excited that the Clubhouse Exhibition will be moving to Harrogate where it will merge with our existing Golf Club Show under the Clubhouse banner and complement our extremely successful BTME. It gives visitors a genuine one stop shop for their clubhouse and golf course needs at a time of year which is ideal for visitors.



I am delighted that this exhibition will have the backing of both the Association of Golf Club Secretaries (AGCS) and the Association of Golf Course Owners and I look forward to welcoming many new companies and visitors to Harrogate.

We have monitored the progress of Clubhouse since its early days based at the National Agricultural Centre in Stoneleigh, through its move to the NEC in Birmingham. We have always considered that the ideal location for this exhibition would be the Harrogate International Centre alongside BTME and we have worked hard to achieve this end.

No longer will golf clubs have to justify the expense of sending their personnel to shows at separate locations on different dates. Now the focus of the industry and the game will be on one place at one time with the

additional benefit of less expense for golf clubs. Key personnel with responsibility for the club's budget, whether it be on the course or in the clubhouse, can target one or both shows as well as take in our "Continue to Learn" education programme which will be broadened to ensure that we cater for specific Clubhouse visitors.

We believe that BIGGA's acquisition of this exhibition will prove to be a significant development for golf clubs and the game in general while being widely welcomed within the industry at large where the need for the two shows to come together has long been recognised."

Neil Thomas  
Executive Director, BIGGA



Commenting on the move to Harrogate, Andrew Gibb, Divisional Director of Centre Exhibitions at the NEC, said: "This decision has been made in the best interests of the industry and we fully support the move to Harrogate."



Keith Lloyd, Secretary of the AGCS, said: "We, at the AGCS are very pleased that Clubhouse is moving to such a venue. It is clearly in the best interests of our members enabling them to visit both exhibitions at the one location and to resource all requirements for their golf clubs."

**The Clubhouse Exhibition and the BTME will be held at the Harrogate International Centre, January 21-23, 2003.**

## BTME EXHIBITORS TO DATE:

MJ Abbott Ltd  
Advanta Seeds UK  
AFT Trenchers  
AGCO Ltd (Massey Ferguson)  
Aitkens Sportsturf Ltd  
Allen Power Equipment Ltd  
Allett Mowers  
Amenity Technology  
Angus Horticulture Ltd  
Arden Lea Irrigation Ltd  
Askham Bryan College  
Association of Golf Club Secretaries  
Aventis Environmental Science  
Avoncrop Amenity Products Ltd  
Barcham Trees  
Barenbrug UK Ltd  
Barrelfield Golf Ltd  
Bathgate Leisure  
Berkshire College of Agriculture  
Bernhard & Co Ltd  
BIGGA Education & Seminar  
Registration  
Bioseed Probiotics Ltd  
Blec Landscaping Equipment Co. Ltd  
Boughton Loam Ltd

Bowcom Limited  
Boyd Golf  
British Seed Houses Ltd  
Campey Turfcare Systems  
Cebeco Seeds  
Charterhouse Turf Machinery  
Club Car - Ingersoll-Rand  
CNH UK LTD  
Complete Weed Control Ltd  
Cooper Clarke Group Ltd  
Course Care  
DENNIS  
Eagle Promotions Ltd  
Earthquake Turfcare Ltd  
Ecosolve Limited  
Elmwood College  
English Golf Union  
Etesia UK Ltd  
European Institute of Golf Course  
Architects  
European Turf Technology Ltd  
European Turfgrass Laboratories LTD  
Evenproducts Ltd  
Farm & Garden Machinery  
Farmura Ltd

Floratone Products  
FMW & Distinct  
Gambetti Barre UK Ltd  
Garden Innovation Products UK  
Garfitts International Ltd  
Gem Professional  
Glendale  
Golf Course News  
Golf Management Europe  
The Golf Sign Company  
Grass Science  
John Greasley Ltd  
The Greenkeepers Training Committee  
The Greenkeeping Supply Company  
Greenlink International Ltd  
Groundsman Industries  
Hadlow College  
Hardi Limited  
Hayter Ltd  
Haztek International  
Headland Amenity  
Hunter Grinders Ltd  
The Institute of Groundsmanship  
Inturf  
Irrigation Control Ltd

John Deere Limited  
Johnsons Sport & Amenity  
Kawasaki Motors (UK) Ltd  
Kestrel Golf & Sports Ltd  
KSM Safer Surfaces  
Kubota (UK) Ltd  
Lastec UK  
Lewis Equipment Ltd  
Lincmaster "Thiefstoppers"  
Lindum Seeded Turf Ltd  
Links Leisure  
Lloyds & Co Letchworth Ltd  
Logic Irrigation  
Major Equipment Ltd  
Maxwell Hart Group  
Maxxis International UK  
Merrist Wood College  
Mitchell Hire  
Myerscough College  
North Staffs Irrigation  
Ocmis (UK) Ltd  
Pentagon Amenity Marketing Ltd  
Prestige Sports Surfaces Ltd  
PSD Agronomy  
Rain Bird Europe

Rigby Taylor Ltd  
Riko UK Ltd  
Rolawn (Turf Growers) Ltd  
Rousseau Equipment Ltd  
Rufford Soil Technology  
Same Deutz-Fahr UK Ltd  
Saxon Industries  
The Scotts Company (UK) Ltd  
Sheltons Sportsturf Drainage Solutions  
Sheppy Fertilisers Ltd  
Silesia Grill Systems  
Simon Tullett Machinery Co Ltd  
Sisis Equipment (Macclesfield) Ltd  
Spaldings UK Ltd  
Speedcut Contractors  
STRI  
Supaturf Products Ltd  
Swan Golf Designs Ltd  
Swan Plant Services Ltd  
Symbio  
Tactit  
Talbott Farm Landscapes  
TEG Environmental (Envigro)  
Tenax UK Limited  
Textron Golf, Turf & Specialty Products

Tildenet Ltd  
DW Tomlin  
Tonick Watering Ltd  
Toro Commercial and Irrigation Products  
Tower Chemicals Ltd  
Trelleborg Wheel Systems Ltd  
Trimax Mowing Systems Ltd  
True Surface Rollers  
TT Proturf Ltd  
Turf Masters  
Turf Seed UK Ltd  
Turfmach Machinery Ltd  
Turftrax Ground Management  
Tyreline Original Equipment Ltd  
Verde Sports Ltd  
Vitax Ltd  
Warwickshire College  
Waste2Water Europe Ltd  
White Horse Contractors Ltd  
Ken White Signs  
Whitemoss Amenities Ltd  
Wiedenmann UK Ltd  
Wolf Garden  
Yamaha Motor UK Ltd  
York and Martin