

**Tracey and Susannah from BIGGA's Membership Services Department, would like to wish all existing members and prospective new members a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.**

## Make your New Year's resolution...

... to bring your passport size photograph to Membership Services on the BIGGA Stand at the BIGGA Turf Management Exhibition (BTME) on Tuesday, January 22; Wednesday, January 23 or Thursday, January 24!



Tracey (above)



Susannah (right)

Tracey and Susannah will be on hand to deal with all your Membership Services queries, should you wish to :-

- Renew your existing membership
- Join BIGGA
- Bring a passport size photograph of yourself
- Obtain information on the different categories of Membership
- Change your personal details i.e. home address, Employer details etc
- Check your membership status
- Obtain replacement renewal forms
- Collect Tax Forms
- Ask questions regarding General Legal Protection
- Ask questions regarding Personal Accident Insurance cover
- Obtain information on the Direct Debit Scheme



Whatever your query call onto the BIGGA stand and visit Membership Services.

Also on the BIGGA stand you will have the opportunity to purchase quality clothing from the popular BIGGA leisurewear range, made by Cutter and Buck, Peter Scott and Sun and Rain, all branded with the BIGGA logo.

The BIGGA stand will also have for sale, copies of all the educational/training videos BIGGA has produced, plus the following three popular books, Practical Greenkeeping by Jim Arthur, Golf Course Presentation by John Hacker and George Shiels and A Practical Guide to Ecological Management of the Golf Course, written by STRI Ecologist R. A. Taylor. Not to mention the very useful BIGGA Field

Guides (FREE to members on production of your membership card).

There will be something for everyone so why not visit the BIGGA Stand in Hall Q Stand Q69.

### Important news for all Greenkeeping Members

As from January 1, 2002, the following changes to the Personal Accident Insurance Scheme apply to all Greenkeeping Members, regardless of their membership expiry date.

The Scheme will be insured by the Royal SunAlliance Group and excludes the first 28 days of any period of incapacity. Claims arising from war and terrorism are excluded. For full details contact Membership Services.

### January's Monthly Membership Draw Winner

Just introduce one or more new greenkeeping members to BIGGA and your name will be placed into a draw to win a fantastic BIGGA sportswatch. Our congratulations go to January's winner, Joseph Findlay of Royal Portrush Golf Club



## BIGGA welcomes ...

A warm welcome is extended to the following new members ...

### Scottish Region

Stewart Addison, North  
 David Ball, East  
 Raymond Leach, East  
 Barry Nichol, West  
 Brian Williams, Central  
 Michael Wilson, Ayrshire

### Northern Region

Matthew Corfield, N West  
 Barrie Crolla, N West  
 Mark Dingle, N West  
 Gary McGowan, N West  
 Christopher Robinson, N East  
 David Scott, N West  
 Peter White, N West  
 Paul Worsencroft, N West

### Midland Region

Luke Brimfield-Smith, BB&O  
 Martin Burbanks, BB&O  
 Martin Downend, BB&O  
 Stevan Grass, Mid Anglia  
 Daniel Haynes, E Midland  
 Marc Kelly, BB&O  
 David Lawton, Midland  
 David McGregor, BB&O  
 Daniel Newman, BB&O  
 Andrew Ryder, E Midland  
 Kevin Steppings, BB&O  
 Andrew Turnbull, Midland  
 Michael Walker, Midland

### South East Region

James Cole, Kent  
 Rhys Evans, Surrey  
 Richard Johnson, Surrey  
 Neil Simpson, London  
 Peter Thurlow, Essex

### S West & S Wales Region

Adam Bridgewater, Dev & C'wall  
 Sarah Hack, S Coast  
 Sean Jarvis, S West  
 Andrew Marsh, S Coast  
 Paul Nicklen, Dev & C'wall  
 Nicholas Offer, S Coast  
 John Pettifer, S Wales

### Associate Members

William McIntosh, North  
 Marshall Muirhead, Central  
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 Robert De Martin, Northern  
 George Attwood-Harris, Midland  
 David Bush, Sussex  
 Michael Shields, Kent  
 Norman Smith, Surrey  
 Christopher White, Essex

### Corporate Members

Lee Flynn, E Midland  
 Keith Harrison, E Midland  
 Jim McGlinghey, E Midland  
 James Robson, E Midland  
 John Allen, Surrey  
 Alan Abel, S Wales  
 Richard Minton, S West  
 Roger Turner, S West

### Student Members

Andrew Brandie, North  
 Stephen Dunlop, Northern  
 Graham Steele, N West  
 R Steele, Midland  
 Edward Edwards, E Midland  
 Robert Coughlan, Essex  
 Paul Garman, Sussex  
 Jaey Goodchild, London  
 Brian Plume, Essex  
 Mark Grace, Central

Neil J Reid, Central  
 Philip Fazackerley, N West  
 Terence J Tibbert, London

### International Members

Ian Ouwerkerk, Holland  
 Hans Favre, Sweden  
 Magnus Olofsson, Sweden  
 Dean Piller, Canada

### You've got mail!

If you've got an email account why not send an email to the membership department, where we can place you into our exclusive members email address book. We can then keep you up to date with membership news and events as they happen.

Send an email to:  
 membership@bigga.co.uk  
 tracey@bigga.co.uk  
 susannah@bigga.co.uk

## Back Lapping

A LOOK BACK TO A DECADE AGO FROM GREENKEEPER INTERNATIONAL

Take a time-honoured look back through the pages of Greenkeeper International from a decade ago



## JANUARY 1992

### Sand Green Construction

In an article on Sand Green Constructions in Great Britain, Tim Colclough of the STRI asked is there a place for them and is there a need for them? Conclusions were based on research following a three year trial on the fertiliser nutrition of sand greens carried out at the STRI and sponsored by the R&A. Tim concluded that the combination of research work and site experience leads us to believe that generally there is no place or need for pure sand greens in this country. The only mitigating circumstances which could contradict this conclusion may arise due to a complete lack of suitable local materials and a tight construction budget.

### In the news

Tom O'Brien, Head Greenkeeper at Royal Birkdale Golf Club for the past 14 years would be retiring in 1992.

Howard Swan had been admitted to the regulating body for golf architecture, the British Institute of Golf Course Architects, as a full member. He had founded the British Association of Golf Course Constructors in 1980 and for five years, until 1990, was Chairman of the National Turfgrass Council.

Phil Baldock was moving from Hankley Common to take up the prestigious position of Head Greenkeeper at Royal Portrush. Today Phil is Course Manager at another top course - Ganton Golf Club.

David Wood, Head Greenkeeper at Holtye Golf Club, then a Phase 3 student at Plumpton College, had gained the rare distinction of being the first greenkeeper to gain the prestigious Top Student of the Year Award - The City and Guilds Silver Medal - awarded by none other than the governing body itself, The City and Guilds of London Institute Examination Board. Today, David is Head Greenkeeper at Hever Golf Club.