Rachael and Gemma from Membership Services would like to welcome 70 new members to the Association and wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

# Membership Update

# Changes to the Car Breakdown Scheme

Due to FSA regulations, which come into force from January 1 2005, GLP are no longer able to offer the Silver Knight Rescue scheme to members.

As we recognise what great value this scheme is to members we did not want to lose such a valuable benefit.

We therefore scouted about and are able to bring you a very competitive car breakdown package from Europ Assistance. The new scheme offers three levels of cover ranging from roadside assistance up to European cover.

The first level is Roadside Assistance and this covers you for incidents occurring at least one mile from home, it includes one hour of roadside labour and transportation to the nearest repairer. This is a good package for those on a budget.

The next level of cover is National Recovery and Doorstep, being more comprehensive than the Roadside Assistance.

Cover includes incidents within one mile of the home and guarantees to either get you home, your original destination or to a repairer of your choice.

The final level of cover is National Recovery, Doorstep and European. This features the same level of cover for National Recovery and Doorstep but also includes 31 days cover for travel in a European country. As you can see from the comparison table the prices are really competitive.

For more detailed policy information or to purchase cover please call 01603 828255 and quote BIGGA.

Members with existing Silver Knight Rescue policies will be unaffected by the change and will not suffer loss of cover. When your existing policy expires you will be contacted by Europ Assistance.

If you have any other concerns regarding your policy please call Silver Knight on 0800 068 1893.

### Silver Knight Repair

Again, due to FSA regulations GLP can no longer offer this product to members from January 1 2005. As Silver Knight Repair is a unique policy we were unable to source an alternative. The scheme will therefore be closed to new purchasers from January 1.

Members with existing Silver Knight Repair policies will be unaffected by the change and will not suffer loss of cover. When your existing policy expires you will be unable to renew.

If you have any other concerns regarding your policy please call Silver Knight on 0800 068 1893.

|   | Europ Assistance <sup>+</sup> | AA*                            | RAC*    |
|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------|
| Roadside Assistance                       | £19.04                        | £42.00                         | £34.00  |
| National Recovery &<br>Doorstep           | £44.95                        | £126.00                        | £119.00 |
| National Recovery,<br>Doorstep & European | £63.66                        | Need to ring to obtain a quote |         |
| *Prices quoted are for the nearest equiv  | alent cover                   |                                |         |

#### BIGGA welcomes...

SCOTTISH REGION lain Forbes, West

NORTHERN REGION Kenneth Brierley, North West Craig Davies, North Wales Simon Dye, Sheffield Daniel Entwistle, North East Daniel Hayes, North Wales Ian Kirwan, North West William Owe,n North Wales David Smith, North Wales

MIDLAND REGION James Biggerstaff, BB&O James Castle, BB&O Robert Day, BB&O Peter Dear, Mid Anglia Peter Fisher, Mid Anglia Daniel Gascoyne, BB&O Stephen Godding, BB&O Jamie Harris, BB&O Ben Hastie, BB&O Simon Malone, Mid Anglia Matthew Reed, Mid Anglia Christopher Roberts, Midland Clive Robinson, BB&O Neill Smith, Midland Craig Swindells, East Midland Kevin Tilly, BB&O

Joe Vickery, BB&O

SOUTH EAST REGION David Barnes, Surrey Simon Bone, Surrey Janice Collins, London James Jay, London Isaac Jones, Surrey Benjamin Macleod, Surrey Ray Mayhill, London Darren Merridan, London Lee Smith, Kent Olly Stubbings, Essex Matthew Tilley, Surrey Neil Tutton, Essex David Watkins, London Richard Webber, London

SOUTH WEST/SOUTH WALES Ben Adams, Devon & Cornwall Christopher Baker, Devon & Andrew George, Devon & Richard Lloyd, South Wales David Longley, Devon & Cornwall Justin Manester, Devon & Mark Moore, Devon & Cornwall

Merrill Mullins, South Coast

INTERNATIONAL Lars Knutson, Sweden STUDENT MEMBERS

Robin Awburn, Central Scotland Paul Carella, Central Scotland Andrew Cockburn, Central Andrew Cockburn, Central Guido Gaechter, Central Scotland Harge Kranstad,, East Scotland Kenny Liddell, Central Scotland Brian Marmion, Central Scotland William Rodriguez, East Scotland Hilde Taklo Knutzen. East Scotland Alexander Walker, Central Richard Poskitt, North West Simon Neville, Midland Laurence Fennemore, Surrey Daniel Weston, Essex Andrew Lewis, South West David Millar, South West

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS Thomas Abbott-Stone, North West John Owen, Mid Anglia

CORPORATE MEMBERS Victoria Willett, Northern Paul Sheather, East Anglia

## Malcolm designs our slogan

Our congratulations go to Malcolm Searle, of Bury St Edmunds Golf Club, who's winning slogan, 'On Course For Better Greenkeeping', will be gracing BIGGA car stickers in the coming months. Well done Malcolm, a Highlander Cargo Suit is on its way to you.

### Message of the Month Winner

Our congratulations go to December's winner, Severin Schmitz MG, an International member who's message was posted on November 17 under the 'Education and Training' section. Severin wins the last Gelert Rucksack.

#### DECEMBER'S MEMBERSHIP DRAW WINNER

Just introduce one or more new greenkeeping members to BIGGA and your name will be placed into a draw to win an 0.5 litre isolating flask suitable for hot and cold drinks and soups. Our congratulations go to Howard Mogridge, of Whitehall Golf Club.

<sup>+</sup>Prices quoted are for cars up to 9 years old. For older cars please call 01603 828255 for a quote.