Rachael and Gemma from Membership Services would like to welcome 59 new members to the Association.

Read all about it...

With the days getting shorter and the nights drawing in there is no better excuse to catch up on your reading.

BIGGA's lending library is available to all members and stocks over 800 titles on anything from turf management to IT skills and even interview techniques.

You can borrow up to two titles from the library at any one time for a period of six weeks. The only cost to you is the return postage of the books. Search for a book in the members area of the website www.bigga.org.uk or ring Brad on 01347 833800 for further details.

In addition to the lending library we also stock three titles that are available to purchase at discounted prices.

A Practical Guide to Ecological Management of the Golf Course

Published jointly by BIGGA and the Sports Turf Research Institute and written by STRI ecologist R S Taylor, this book is a must for all those Head

DESIGN A SLOGAN

In the past year the membership department has received a number of requests to issue a new BIGGA car sticker. We are hoping to launch one in time for BTME and Clubhouse 2005 and are appealing

Can you come up with a catchy slogan for the sticker? It doesn't have to be too long as the sticker is only going to be 10 cm wide/diameter.

The competition is open to all members and the winner gets to see his or her slogan on the sticker and will also win a 'Highlander' waterproof suit. The closing date for entries is the 31st October and the winner will be announced in the December issue of Greenkeeper International.

Please send all entries to The Membership Department, BIGGA, BIGGA House, Aldwark, Alne, York, North Yorkshire, YO61 1UF.

Message of the Month Winner

Our congratulations go to October's winner, David Edmondson, from Penwortham Golf Club, who's message was posted on the 5th September 2004 under the 'Talk about Turf' section. David receives an 18 litre Gelert Rucksack.

BIGGA welcomes...

SCOTTISH REGION

Victoria Cavinue, West Haydn Chambers, Central Calum Fraser, North Scott McCormick, Ayrshire Stuart McSporran, West John Muir, Ayrshire Darryl Munro, West Michael Nicol, North Andrew Ramsey, West

mas Bradford, Northern Mark Davidson, North Wales Stuart Earnshaw, Cleveland David Finnegan, North Wales Adam Gaze, North West Paul Gray, North Wales Neville Hayden, Northern Alex Knok, North East Steven Murphy, North Wales David Roberts, North Wales

MIDLAND REGION

Christopher Baugh, Midland John Fenn, BB&O Matthew Hartle, y East Midland Jonathan Horton, East Midland Christopher Howes, Midland Ian Hurst, East Midland Bleddyn Jones, Midland Scott Krokoszynski, East Midland Mick May, Midland Craig Nelson, East Midland Nick Nottingham, East Midland LawrenceRawlings, BB&O Christopher Richards, BB&O John Walshaw, Midland

SOUTH EAST REGION Simon Brown, Sussex Edd Bullock, London Jamie Goldrick, Surrey Andy Hall, London Trevor Hammond, East Anglia

lan Hughes, Kent Andrew Jeakings, East Anglia Patrick Johnson, London Matthew Mansfield, Sussex Freddie Murray, London Wayne Thrower, East Anglia

SOUTH WEST/SOUTH WALES George Cooper, South Coast John Cox, South West Abi Crosswood Devon & Cornwall Ramsden Daniel, South Coast Paul Foot , South Coast Rhys Morris, South Wales

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Membership Update





Greenkeepers/Course Managers who wish to manage their golf

course ecologically. The book looks at the reasons for managing ecologically, habitat management and specific ecological problems. Paperback, £3

Golf Course Presentation

First published in 1992 and written by John Hacker and George Shiels, this book shows how good presentation and good agronomic practice should be complimentary. Paperback, £4.95

Practical Greenkeeping 2nd Edition

Published by the R&A and written by Jim Arthur, this is the only text book available on British greenkeeping techniques. Covering all aspects of greenkeeping, this book is a must for all greenkeepers of all ages. Hardback, £29.95 plus £3 P&P.

A CHAMPAGNE BALLOON FLIGHT



To be in with a chance of winning a balloon flight at one of over 50 locations UK wide just introduce one or more new greenkeeping members to BIGGA. Make sure you write your name on the application form as the person who referred them and we will enter you into the prize draw.

The draw will take place on the 15th October 2004 and the winner will be announced in the November edition of Greenkeeper International.

Please call Rachael or Gemma for application forms or for more details on 01347 833800.

OCTOBER'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 Michael Frappell from Lamerwood Golf Club.