



A NEW YEAR, A NEW YOU

Harrogate Week has been established for 20 years and during that time has grown to become a must-see groundscape event for many satisfied visitors.

I don't know about you but I always feel the year gets going when we arrive at Harrogate. Christmas and New Year are consigned to the history books, we've had a couple of weeks to break our New Year's resolutions and we're ready to go.

Harrogate Week always sets me up for the year in a positive manner and I'm sure it's the same for the thousands of turf professionals and those involved within the groundscape industry, from all sides of the industry, who flock to the historic North Yorkshire spa town.

Harrogate Week 2008 with its regular elements of BTME, incorporating ClubHouse; the world renowned Continue to Learn programme; a Careers' Clinic, Job Shop, Internet Café, banquets, lunches and fringe events ensures that a well planned visit sets you up for the year ahead. From a training and development standpoint there isn't a workshop or seminar that doesn't include a nugget of information which might help some aspect of your professional life. The most comprehensive education programme that BIGGA has ever put together will get the brain going into overdrive, and it's not just of benefit to turf professionals and BIGGA members. Many other golfing and sporting bodies are involved in the week with seminars by the R&A, EGU and GCMA and many other workshops that are particularly pertinent for turf professionals from other sporting arenas.

Five halls packed with exhibitors representing every element of the fine turf industry should ensure plenty of assistance with those difficult purchasing decisions.



After a long day in the lecture theatres and halls where better than the restaurants and bars of Harrogate to share experiences and laughs with friends and colleagues? And it's as valuable for the Harrogate rookie as it is to the experienced campaigner. Attend Harrogate Week and you can be sure you will leave with many more friends and acquaintances than you arrived. That equates to more shared experiences and more potential solutions to groundscape problems.

