

What's *your* Number?



Name: Roger Hargreaves
Company: SISIS
Position: Joint Managing Director

How long have you been in the industry?

"Since 1960. My first job was assembling SISIS Motorols and the first Rotorakes at the Company's Cheadle Works."

How did you get into it?

"SISIS is a family business – so I have been a part of it since birth."

What other jobs have you done?

"Pump Sales Engineer (power stations) for Mather & Platt Manchester."

What do you like about your current job?

"As Joint Managing Director it is a constant challenge to maintain profitability, while protecting the company's reputation for quality and service. It is a challenge I relish, and I am grateful for the efforts of the hard-working team here at Macclesfield, and of course my co-Managing Director, and brother, William. A bonus is the number of "characters" in our industry. It is always a delight to meet them at our frequent field day events and trade exhibitions."

What changes have you seen during your time in the industry?

"Having been in the industry for a considerable time, I suppose the most obvious change is the increase in mechanised maintenance, and SISIS has been at the forefront of this trend. It has also been gratifying to watch the improvement in knowledge and skills developed by greenkeepers, due to the many more educational opportunities now available. Golfers world-wide have high expectations from their courses and greenkeepers have risen to the challenge admirably. We hope that SISIS products have made a contribution to their easing their load!"

What do you like to do in your spare time?

"Amateur Radio and the usual spare-time pursuits, down the pub."

Where do you see yourself in 10 years time?

"On the Bacardi Beach in the Seychelles."

Who do you consider to be your best friends in the industry?

"Far too many to name individually – I am a very gregarious person!"

What do you consider to be your lucky number?

"Number 1."

Pick a number.

"Well I suppose it had better be my lucky number – 1."

You've picked David Jenkins from DJ Turfcare, do you know him?

"Yes."

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