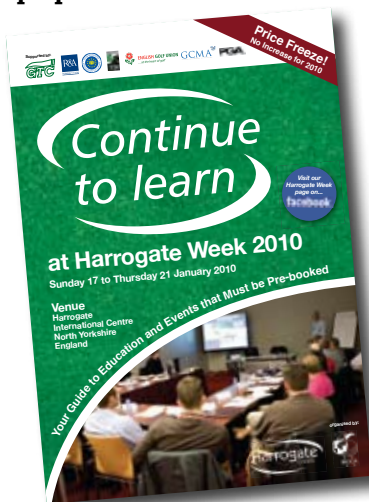


Learning & Development

Sami Collins, Head of Learning & Development,
with an update on education issues



I can almost hear Santa's little helpers making all the toys and I think it would be quite useful if some of them could come and help Rachael and I out with the Harrogate Week preparations!



Continue to Learn at Harrogate Week 2010

Bookings are coming in fast for the Workshops and Seminars that must be pre-booked.

Details of all the educational events that are taking place during Harrogate Week are available on the Harrogate Week website:

www.harrogateweek.org.uk. Bookings can be taken by, credit card, online through the Harrogate Week website, over the telephone by calling the Learning and Development Department on 01347 833800 and select Option 3 or by completing a booking form.

The Golf Course Design Workshop makes a welcomed return to the programme.

We have updated the workshops Practical Management of a Safety Management System, Preparing and Delivering Powerful Presentations and Finance and Accounting to continue to meet the changes in the responsibilities of today's supervisors and managers.

We are also featuring three new one day workshops - Emergency First Aid, How to be an Outstanding Manager and Basic Golf Mechanics.

The majority of Seminars that are taking place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday are Free of Charge to all visitors to the BTME and ClubHouse Exhibition.

Places are limited and are available on a first come, first serve basis. It is recommended that you turn up in plenty of time for the seminars you are most interested in attending.

Information on all of the Free Seminars is available on the Harrogate Week website.

If you have any queries or want to check availability of any of the Workshops, please contact the Learning and Development Department on 01347 833800 and selection option 3.

To view the list of confirmed-to-date Fringe Seminars go to Page 55

SAPCA Exhibition and Seminars

The Sports and Play Construction Association is hosting a special one-day event that comprises a



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Many young greenkeepers owe their career progression to the assistance they've had from the Learning and Development Fund. An equal number of established greenkeepers have also been able to access the fund to continue their professional development thanks to the donations of the Golden and Silver Key Sponsors.

series of informative and educational seminars accompanied by an exhibition featuring the leading constructors of sports facilities, suppliers of related products and services as well as professional consultants offering expert advice on sports facility projects.

BIGGA will be exhibiting at this event. Tracey Madison, Head of Membership Services, and I will there promoting BIGGA and available to answer any questions relating to the Association.

The event takes place on Tuesday, November 24, at Twickenham Stadium, West London and attendance at the event is free of charge. For further information visit the SAPCA website, www.sapca.org.uk or telephone 02476 416316.



Higher Education Scholarships

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The most recent scholarships have been awarded to:

Matthew Hutchinson - On Line Foundation Degree - Sports Turf
Geoffrey Fenn - On Line Foundation Degree - Sports Turf

All of the funding that was available from The BIGGA Higher Education Scholarship Fund has now been distributed. Twelve members have benefited in 2010 and over 100 members have received funding towards their Higher Education since the Scholarship Fund was established in 2002.



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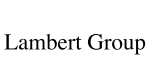
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