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Lyme Regis GC by Stuart Broom

Sun shines on Stuart

The 2009 BIGGA Photographic Competition, sponsored by Syngenta, has been won by a stunning picture (shown above) of the sun coming up behind a tree with a green silhouetted in the foreground, at Lyme Regis Golf Club, taken by Stuart Broom, an Assistant at the club.

Runner-up (above right) was a superb winter scene taken by Brian Consitt, an assistant at Lindin Hall Golf Club.

Third place (below right) went to Peter McCalla, of Brodick Golf Club, on the Isle of Arran, with a shot down the 1st with the magnificent view in the background.

The competition which was judged by Golf Course Photographer, Eric Hepworth; Golf Photographer, Matthew Harris;

Alan Birch, whose inspiration the competition was, Karen Robert, of Syngenta, and Tom Campbell, BIGGA's magazine Designer. Scott MacCallum was Chair of the voting panel.

Stuart receives a print of his choice from Eric's extensive photographic library and Lyme Regis will be profiled in the magazine next year.

Brian and Peter also receive prints. The three pictures and nine others will comprise the 2010 BIGGA calendar.

"I thought the winning pictures were all excellent. Stuart's picture of Lyme Regis shot into the sun showed great technical skill and is extremely atmospheric," said Eric.

He did have some advice for all amateur photographers

and entrants to the competition in future.

"Another piece of advice to entrants. Many of the pictures were taken early in the morning but taking some in the late afternoon or evening would have given a different perspective.

"Taking pictures in the middle of the day is to be avoided as the shadows are directly overhead and offer no contrast in the picture.

"In general I felt too many of the entries didn't show enough of the golf course and it is a golf course competition."

All the photographs may also be used by Syngenta as part of their marketing programme

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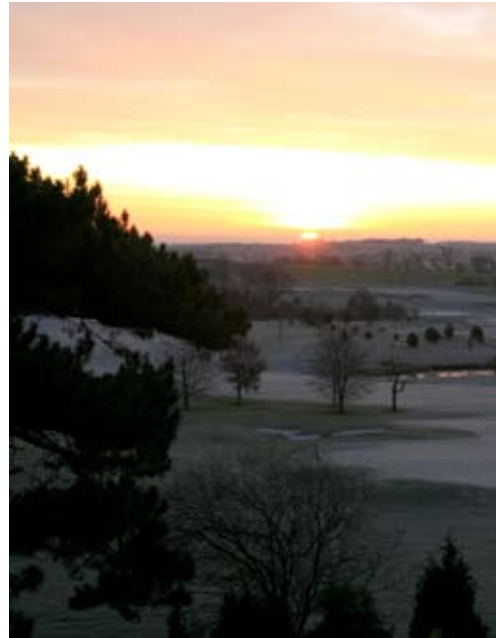
Linden Hall GC by Brian Consitt



Isle of Arran by Peter McCalla



Bedfordshire GC by Niall Kerr



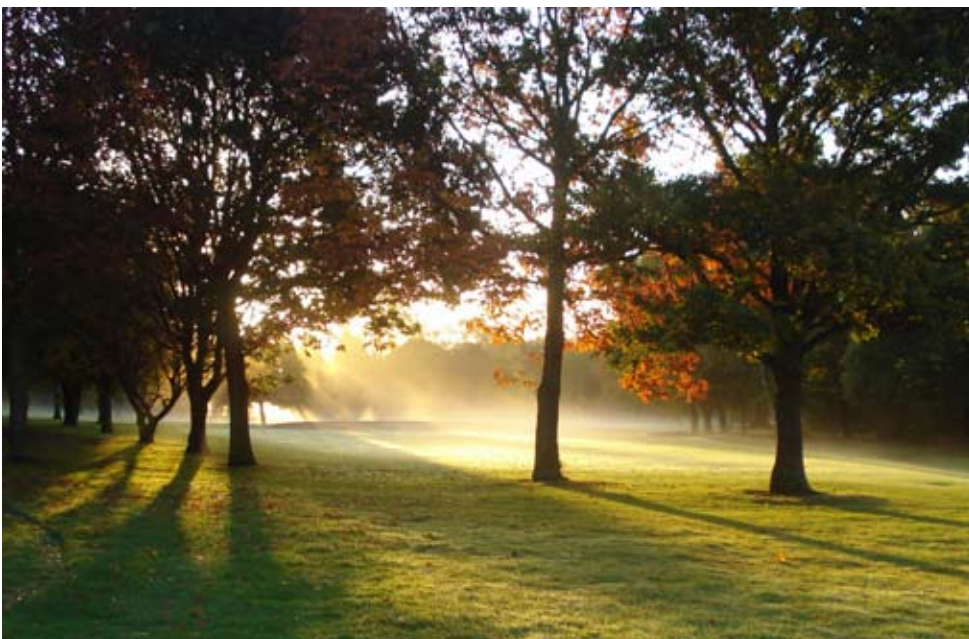
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Wells GC by James Elliot



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