

Letters



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THE 2009 OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP, TURNBERRY

Through Greenkeeper International Magazine, may I post a few thanks in your letters column

I would like to express my thanks for all the help from the BIGGA support team during the tournament; it was satisfying to know that they were there in the background in case of any emergency.

I would also like to thank our volunteers and friends from local clubs as well as former colleagues from as far a field as Dubai, New Zealand and Australia, you were indeed a great help and made our job so much easier, 'but I do wonder about their sanity' who on earth would get out of their bed at 3 in the morning and go to work? And then come back in the evening and work until 10.30pm,... unpaid?

I cannot speak highly enough of my own staff, they have all put in a tremendous effort these past couple of years with added pressure of additional construction, not only on the Ailsa Course but also our other courses, and not forgetting the gardens and grounds. During this time we have had new owners that have invested heavily in the refurbishment of the Hotel and also upgraded our golf course equipment, so their expectations are high, (and the noose gets tighter).

As this preparation was for my last Tournament, I was so pleased for all concerned, the organisers, (R&A), all at Turnberry and of course the Players, it was a great success and the Golf Course was enjoyed by all, with some fabulous TV viewing worldwide.

A special thanks to my Head Greenkeepers, Martin, Jimmy, Tom, and assistants, Dennis, Johnny, and Morris. Not forgetting Jim & Elfie in the workshop and, of course, Jackie, admin.

Since my arrival at Turnberry I have been most fortunate to have accumulated a professional and dedicated crew over these past 24 years and thank you all for your support over the years.

Recruitment

WEST BRADFORD GOLF CLUB

Head Greenkeeper

With a history of over 109 years of golf, we have a popular, mature course which will provide a great opportunity for a forward thinking professional to display his/her skills.

The post would be ideal for a current Head Greenkeeper or a suitably qualified First Assistant who is ready to step up to running his/her own course.

A competitive package is available for the right candidate.

Please contact the Secretary on **tel. No. 01274542767** or secretary@westbradfordgolfclub.co.uk in the first instance.

A big thank you also to all my friends in the trade, some going back more than 40 years! Your support has been invaluable not only to me but the industry in general.

As I hand over the reins to Euan, a special thank you, as he has made these past six months so much more enjoyable by taking much of the strain, his commitment and enthusiasm will put him in good stead to keep Turnberry at the top and I wish him and his Family every happiness for the Future.

George Brown
Golf Courses & Estate Manager, Turnberry Hotel



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QUICK 'NINE HOLE' QUIZ ANSWERS:

1. 70; 2. Sunderland, Coventry City and St Johnstone; 3. Rocky Marciano; 4. Real Madrid; 5. Chris Paterson; 6. Golf and Rugby Union Sevens; 7. Royal Dornoch; 8. Graham Gooch and Ian Botham; 9. Lewis Hamilton, Damon Hill, Nigel Mansell, James Hunt and Jackie Stewart

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SQUIGGLY SUDOKO

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