I would like to thank you for giving me the opportunity to assist at the Open. I had an absolutely brilliant time, and have memories for life! I will definitely be applying for 2011 at St Georges.

Thank you again. Ashlev Lock

I'd just like to thank BIGGA for a great week at The Open. It was very well organised and coordinated. It was great to meet up with old friends and make new ones, and as usual the camaraderie and atmosphere was great. The whole team looked great and conducted themselves in a professional manner and were a credit to BIGGA and greenkeeping.

Thanks for the chance to be there.

Tony Gooch Great Torrington Golf Club

I would just like to say how super The Open week was. As it was my first time at an Open event I was unsure what to expect, though this did make everything that little bit more special Everyone involved made everyone so so welcome and it was great to see!

The way everything was so well organised was FANTASTIC, even more so when plans needed to adjusted at such short notice on the Friday night.

I'm really pleased that we were with such a great group. I sure we would all agree, greenkeepers are pretty great guys.

Again thank you for a fabulous week that not even the weather could ruin!

Adam Matthews Minchinhampton Golf Club

Many Thanks!

On behalf of everyone at St Andrews Links, could I use Greenkeeper International to say a massive thank you to so many people who helped make the recent Open Championship the success it was. Faced with the extremes of weather during the week, we constantly had to review our plans and it was very reassuring that BIGGA were able to provide 20 people at short notice to come and help us divot fill the fairways at the ungodly hour of 4.30am on the Saturday morning. They were there prompt and smiling even though they hadn't had any breakfast and did a tremendous job working alongside some of our own crew. Indeed, all the BIGGA volunteers did a great job of looking after the bunkers through the golf.

I would also like to thank once again, all of our own staff and especially the seven who travelled and stayed for the week to work as volunteers. Also, the STRI team who delivered great support to us with their measuring and data collection, not only during the week but right from the 6th of July. Ably led by Richard Windows and Christian Spring, their help was invaluable and my thanks go to all of the STRI people who visited through the week.

I'd also like to thank Toro for providing the staff uniforms for the tournament and Aquatrols, Farmura, Richard Aitkens, Syngenta, and Barenbrug for providing the food to keep us all going.

Finally, I would like to thank all those people who called, emailed or sent text messages to both myself and Gordon Moir. We had literally 100's of messages of support, congratulations or just saying how great the course looked. We have tried/will try to respond to all of you but please accept our apologies if you are missed out. Your messages reflected the hard work everyone here put in to holding such a successful event, not just the two of us,

Gordon McKie Course Manager Old Course



QUICK 'NINE HOLE' QUIZ ANSWERS:

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