

# Learning & Development

**Sami Collins, Head of Learning & Development, gives an overview of the work currently being undertaken in the L&D department**



**June... already! How on earth did that happen? All we need now is some warm, sunny weather and then I'll truly believe that Summer is on its way.**

## Continuing Professional Development

### CPD

For those of you active on the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) scheme, it's that time of year that the reminder letters will land on your doormat reminding you that the CPD year is coming to a close on June 30.

With this in mind, you need to forward any outstanding CPD credit claim forms to Rachael, so that she can update your record and your CPD Certificate for 2009/2010 can be produced.

For those of you heading towards your fifth consecutive Certificate, it also means you'll be getting notification of receiving your Diploma for Continuing Professional Development.

If you have any queries regarding CPD, please contact Rachael on 01347 833800 (Option 3) or by email to [rachael@bigga.co.uk](mailto:rachael@bigga.co.uk).

## Job Specifications

David Golding, of the GTC, and I have spent some time updating the Job Specifications for Golf Course Greenkeeper, Golf Course Supervisor and Golf Course Manager to ensure that they reflect the require-

ments of the National Occupational Standards.

The updated Specifications are now available in the Careers' section on the new BIGGA website - under Job Descriptions - and also from the online BIGGA Training and Development Manual (accessed through the Members' area of the website). A document listing all three Specifications is available within the 'Sub Text' area of Hole 1 - Trainee/Apprentice.

A Quick Guide to accessing documents from the Training and Development Manual is available on the website by going to the Education area, clicking on Resources and then on the BIGGA Training and Development Manual. The downloadable document is at the bottom of the page.

## BIGGA Training and Development Manual



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Another of the projects that the L&D Department is working on is updating the information available in the Training and Development Manual. Watch this space for further updates.

## Master Greenkeeper



Congratulations go to Greg Evans, Course Manager from

The funding provided by Golden and Silver Key Sponsors is used to produce training and career aids, DVDs, CD Roms, field guides and provide refunds for training fees and subsidised learning and development courses. The funding also helps support seminars, workshops, courses, the lending library, careers advice, posters and manuals.

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.

Ealing Golf Club, who has achieved the Master Greenkeeper Certificate. Greg completed his Golf Course Inspection last year and passed the final Examinations in April. Greg becomes the 52nd BIGGA Member to achieve Master Greenkeeper status.

If you would like further information on the Master Greenkeeper Certificate, please do not hesitate to contact the L&D Department.

## Certified Club Manager



Congratulations go the Andy Campbell MG, CGCS who has completed the Certified Club Manager (CCM) qualification through the Club Managers Association of Europe (CMAE). Andy can now add the initials CCM to his name. You're going to need a bigger business card Andy!

For further information on Certified Club Manager visit the Club Managers Association of Europe page in the Qualifications area of the Education section of the website.

## Higher Education Scholarships



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The most recent scholarship has been awarded to:  
James Stevens - Foundation Degree in Sportsturf (Online)

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