

Learning & Development

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



January 2011 and a whole new year to go at! A new year always promises new starts and new opportunities. The Learning and Development Department's resolution is to roll with the changes. What will your's be?

 **Continue to Learn at Harrogate Week**

Harrogate Week gets the year underway with the Continue to Learn programme running from Sunday 16 to Thursday 20 January, delivering almost 150 hours of education. All indications are that Continue to Learn is going to be busier than ever, with record numbers of bookings received for the workshop programme.

Much interest has been shown in the Seminar Programme, especially The Ryder Cup and The Open Championship, both of which show all signs of being standing room only.

Tuesday 18 January

- Update on UK Proposals for Implementing the EU Sustainable Use Directive
- Efficient Nutrient Technology
- STRI - Part of the Winning Team at the World Cup
- Wills and Estate Planning
- Improving Turf Quality
- Update from the R&A
- The Future of Turf Management
- Integrated Lake and Pond Management - Innovative Aquatic Solutions
- Ryder Cup Cymru

Why Electricity Generation Makes Economic Sense for Your Business
Preparing the Old Course for the 2010 Open Championship

Fulvic Acid the Biostimulant that Extends Early and Late Season Growth

Fludioxonil Providing Innovative Disease Management and Application


Bunker Erosion: A Sustainable Solution to an Age Old Golfing Problem

Wednesday 19 January

- Linking Fuel Savings to Reel Maintenance
- Overseeding with Bentgrass the Pros and Pros
- The West Course at Wentworth
- The Three Steps to Transition Coated Seed Delivering Species Transition on the Golf Course!
- Course Manager to Club Manager - The Challenges
- Aeration on Golf Courses
- Green Up Your Greens
- Integrated Management of Dollar Spot
- Environmental Management of your Golf Course with the Latest Technology in Chemistry
- Nature's Solution to Greenkeepers' Problems - Soil Fertility Explained
- Demystification of Synthetic Sports Surfaces
- Turf in the Sustainability Era
- Working on Your Own at a 9 Hole Course

Thursday 20 January

- Woodfuel Energy that Grows on Trees
- Sustainable Golf Course Maintenance



The funding provided by Gold 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 Gold and Silver Key Sponsors.

The New EU Water Directive and its Impact on Golf Courses

Utilising Foliar Fertilisers to Optimise Putting Green Programming

Energy Efficient Irrigation

Simplified Access Control for your Golf Club

For full information visit www.harrogateweek.org.uk/education/seminars


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 **Personal Development Zone**

If you are looking to further your career or just gain more advice on how you can improve your personal development then a visit to the Personal Development Zone at Harrogate Week 2011 is a must. An invaluable resource for any sports turf professional who is looking to gain careers' advice or inspiration. Featuring experts in the field of greenkeeping, careers assistance and consultancy there is a wealth of specialist advice available.

Find the Personal Development Zone on Stand C22 on Tuesday 18, Wednesday 19 and Thursday 20 January.

Rachael and I look forward to seeing you in Harrogate and wish you health, wealth and happiness for 2011.



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