



Membership

Tracey Maddison, Head of Membership, provides a departmental update

Countdown to BTME

Register now for BTME 2012

Harrogate Week is fast approaching, if you haven't already, register now.

Visit www.harrogateweek.org and click on the 'Register Now!' button.

Dates for your diary are Tuesday 24 – Thursday 26, January 2012.

Look out for your copy of the 2012 Continue to Learn Brochure sent with this month's copy of Greenkeeper International. Contained within the brochure is a comprehensive list of all seminars and workshops available from Sunday January 22 through to Thursday January 26.

Book early to avoid disappointment, with a 24% increase this year in people taking part in the Continue to Learn programme we are expecting a busy week!

By popular demand the Turf Managers' Conference will make its return for a second successive year and with one and two day workshops and seminars to choose from there is guaranteed to be something to interest you.

All BIGGA members will be entitled to Member rates and discounts taking advantage of some fantastic savings.

BIGGA Celebrate 25 years

On January 1st 2012 BIGGA celebrate its 25th anniversary.

To mark this celebration a celebratory dinner will take place in Harrogate on the evening of Tuesday, January 24.

The dinner will be celebration of all that has been achieved over the 25 years of BIGGA's existence and will represent the focal point of the Association's Anniversary Celebrations.

Details of venue, format and how to purchase tickets will be available shortly.

Regional Conferences

Calling all members in the Northern, South East and South West/South Wales Regions, a Regional Conference will be held in your region during November. Details are: -

Northern Region

November 29

Cookridge Hall Golf Club
Contact Peter Larter
Tel: 01476 550115

November 30

Birchwood Golf Club

Contact Peter Larter
Tel: 01476 550115

South East Region

November 16

Stock Brook Manor Golf Club
Contact Clive Osgood
Tel: 01737 819343

South West/South Wales Region

November 17

Oaktree Arena, Highbridge, Somerset
Contact Jane Jones
Tel: 01454 270850

For more information contact the Regional Administrators.

Please make every effort to attend if you can, many people, mostly volunteers have gone to a lot of time and trouble to make sure these Regional Conferences happen, please, if you can, support them.

Section AGM's

It's getting to that time of year again when Section AGM's and Section Education and Golf Events are happening.

In order to keep up to date with all the dates of the Section Events visit the Events Section on the BIGGA Website

www.bigga.org.uk

Or see them listed on the 'Diary of Events' page in this month's Greenkeeper International.

Dates of some Section AGM's as follows, contact Section Secretary for details: -

October 5

Devon & Cornwall Section

Portmore Park Golf Club

South West Section

Cotswold Hills Golf Club

October 6

South Coast Section

Waterlooville Golf Club

October 12

East of England Golf and AGM

Orton Meadows Golf Club

October 13

East Midlands Section

Forest Hill Golf Club

October 14

South Wales Section

Trefloyne Golf Club

November 15

Cleveland Section

Teesside Golf Club

November 17

North West Section

Wilmslow Golf Club

December 6

Surrey Section

Hankley Common Golf Club

Essex Section

Orsett Golf Club

Members' Forum

Last month's topical debates on the Members' Forum included: -

- Information on purchasing or otherwise machinery
- Greenside bunkers
- Walker Cup (well done GB&I)
- How to cure iced tee mats
- Mackenzie Greens

If you are a member of BIGGA make sure you have activated your account to ensure you have log in details to the Members area of the BIGGA website.



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