



Membership

Tracey Maddison, Head of Membership, provides a departmental update

The Open Championships 2012 – Thank you to the BIGGA Open Support Team

Last month I welcomed the BIGGA Open Support Team, this month I want to thank them for their commitment, hard work and team spirit. The team members this year were:

Greenkeeper Liaison Role:

Richard Whyman, Burnham and Berrow GC

First tee representatives:

Richard Whyman (as above)
Paul Jenkins, Westridge GC

Team Leaders and mini bus drivers:

Kevan Glass, Brokenhurst Manor GC; John Keenaghan, Chipping Sodbury GC; Billy Merritt, Beacon Park GC; Richard Saunders, Mowsbury GC; John Wells MG, South Herts GC

Support Team:

Darren Abbs, Royal Norwich GC; Jamie Acton, Worlebury GC ; Geoffrey Beauchamp, Staplehurst Golf Centre; Robert Bemment, Immingham GC; Beverly Blair, Southwick Park GC; Graham Blum, The Grange GC (Australia); Robert Bramwell, The Wentworth Club; Jason Brooks, Torquay GC; Mark Brooks, Sunningdale GC; Allan Donlevy, Ashton-in-

Makerfield; Asa English, Rothley Park GC; Simon Forshaw, Jack's Point (New Zealand); John France, Furstlicher GC Bad Waldsee (Germany); Mark Fry, Worplesdon GC; John Geddes, McDonald GC; Phillip Graham, Bishop Auckland GC; Paul Griffiths, Seaford GC; Bruce Hicks, Boston GC; Robert Hill, Chichester GC; Stephen Hopkins, RAF Cottesmore GC; Brian Hunter, McDonald GC ; Matthew Hutchinson, Hassocks GC; Richard Jenkinson, Orchil Development - G-West; Darren Jones, Blackmoor GC; Ashley Marshall, Matfen Hall GC; Steve Mason, Stocks GC; Douglas McIntosh, Cathkin Braes GC; Rhys Norville, Remuera GC; Paul Roberts, Baron Hill GC Ltd; Gavin Robson, Burton-on-Trent GC ; Robert Sandilands, Grange-over-Sands GC; Ben Scrivener, Abridge Golf & Country Club; Andrew Slingsby, Halifax West End GC; Tom Smith, Colne Valley GC; Sean Sullivan CGCS, The Briarwood Golf Course; Scott Thomson, Wetherby GC; Miles Todd, Rhuddlan GC; Andrew Unwin, Rotherham GC; Tom Wood, Outlane GC; Daniel Woodcraft, Bradfield College Golf Club; Myles Woods, Berkhamsted GC; Mathew Wormald, Buckinghamshire GC; Paul Young, Whitefields GC

Board Members

Andrew Mellon, Elmwood College Golf Club
Tony Smith, Teeside Golf Club
George Barr, Worthing Golf Club
Gary Cunningham, Trentham Park Golf Club
Stuart Greenwood, North Berwick Golf Club
Jeremy Hughes, Vale of Llangollen Golf Club
Arnold Phipps-Jones, Stock Brook and Three River Golf and Country Club
Chris Sealey, Chippenham Golf Club

In addition to providing a greenkeeper to rake the bunkers for every match on Championship days, this year Paul Smith and the R&A asked BIGGA to provide an early morning preparation team and a late night divot team.

We also weren't without challenges this year due to the amount of rain that fell in a short space of time and the water table been so high. Many people were asking why the bunkers weren't emptied, they were but the water just kept rising!

All in all it was a fantastic week where the team showed true team spirit being called in to work at all sorts of early times, it just showed what a fantastic industry this is and when it's needed we can all pull together. So well done Support Team 2012, a good job done, roll on Muirfield 2013.



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