

# Open Support Team Volunteers 2013



How you can follow in the footsteps of golfing legends at Muirfield 2013

Ben Scrivener Abridge Golf & Country Club with Luke Donald

**Do you fancy the chance to work at The Open Championship 2013...with the once in a lifetime opportunity to walk alongside the world's leading golfers at one of the finest courses in the world?**

This was the amazing reward for several days of extremely hard work – and lack of sleep – for BIGGA members from across the UK, America and Australia at the thrilling Open at Royal Lytham & St Annes Golf Club last July.

In 2013, the legendary links at Muirfield in East Lothian host the tournament which will be eagerly followed by tens of thousands behind the ropes and millions on TV.

But we're giving you the opportunity to get inside the ropes - working alongside the excellent team at Muirfield led by Colin Irvine and with support from the team at BIGGA HQ.

We need 54 volunteers who will all play their part in ensuring a successful tournament. The application process is transparent and we'll then allocate various roles from the selected candidates.



Darren Abbs Royal Norwich GC



Tom Smith Colne Valley GC

As anyone who has previously worked as a member of the Support Team will tell you, it's extremely hard work with early mornings preparing the course for the likes of Tiger Woods, Rory McIlroy and reigning champion Ernie Els.

There may also be late nights on 'divot duty'.

But, as previous attendees testify, the experience is one to tell the grandchildren about – not to mention a chance to enjoy the superb camaraderie within the team and meet members from across the world.

You will receive accommodation, food, daily transport to the course, a waterproof suit and polo shirts – all you have to do is make your way to Muirfield.

The first tee shot will be struck on Thursday 18 July, with the final putt sunk on Sunday 21 July.

We will need a pre-prep team from Tuesday 16 July, with the remaining team arriving on the Wednesday for a 5pm debrief meeting.

This opportunity is open to all full BIGGA members.

To apply please fill in the application form, together with a photo-

graph and send to: Rachael Duffy, BIGGA House, Aldwark, Alne, York YO61 1UF.

For further information contact Rachael on 01347 833800 or email [Rachael@bigga.co.uk](mailto:Rachael@bigga.co.uk)

Closing date for applications is Thursday 31 January 2013 and selected members will be notified soon after this date.



Miles Todd Rhuddlan GC





Robert Bemment Immingham GC

IMPORTANT INFO

<p>Name .....</p> <p>Golf Club .....</p> <p>Position .....</p> <p>Age.....</p> <p>BIGGA Membership Number .....</p> <p>Home address .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Email Address .....</p> <p>Mobile Number .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Passport photo attached?.....</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>Waterproof measurements; waist.....leg length.....</b></p> <p><b>Polo shirt measurement; chest.....</b></p> <p><b>Are you available for the Early Morning Prep team from Tuesday 16th July? .....</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>Sunday final night (21st July) accommodation required?....</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>Any specific dietary needs? .....</b></p> <p><b>If so please state .....</b></p>	<p>I have applied for/appeared on the team at:</p> <p>Royal Lytham &amp; St Annes, 2012..... <input type="checkbox"/> .....</p> <p>Royal St George's, 2011 .....</p> <p>St Andrews, 2010 .....</p> <p>Turnberry, 2009.....</p> <p>Royal Birkdale 2008 .....</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes No</p> <p>I have been a BIGGA member for more than three years .... <input type="checkbox"/> .....</p> <p>I serve, or have served in the last three years, on a Section/Region Committee..... <input type="checkbox"/> .....</p> <p>I am enrolled on BIGGA's CPD Scheme .....</p> <p>I have attended three of the last five BTMEs. ....</p> <p>I am/have been a member of the PGA Championship Support Team .....</p> <p>I am willing to be a mini bus driver (You must have held a full driving license for three years and be over 25 years of age.).....</p> <p>I am an overseas Member .....</p>
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Note: A place on the team is open to all full BIGGA members but priority will be given to the more active members. Subject to the availability of sufficient numbers of experienced team members no regular team member will be selected for more than three teams in succession. A limited number of places will be made available to younger members and overseas members. **Please ensure that you have spoken to your golf club or Course Manager prior to applying and have arranged the time off.** To apply please fill in the application form and enclose a passport photograph and send to Rachael Duffy, BIGGA House, Aldwark, Alne, York YO61 1UF. **Closing date is 31st January 2013.** You will be notified in February if you have been successful.