

L&D News

The latest from the Learning and Development department at BIGGA

This month we're delighted to point you in the direction of David Bancroft-Turner's article on *Managing Politics in the Golf Club* on page 32.

David has worked with huge global corporations and was a big hit at the last Turf Manager's Conference, and here gives his honest view on how to

control politics which you may encounter in your club.

The Back Nine this month (page 66) also features the second part of Justin Ruiz's social media advice as he looks at the benefits and potential pitfalls of Twitter and Facebook.

Also – remember the new BIGGA CPD scheme officially

launched on 1 July. There's a reminder of this below – for much more refer to Stuart Green's articles in the previous two magazines.

We're also very pleased to announce the speakers for the BIGGA seminars at SALTEX 2013 – CPD credits are available for attending (page 65).



A NEW DAWN FOR BIGGA CPD

As of 1 July 2013, the BIGGA CPD Programme is changing. Using feedback from members, the programme has been revamped to allow greater flexibility, more ways to get credits and enhanced recognition.

The new structure will be a three-year rolling programme rather than an annual programme, allowing members the flexibility to fit their professional development into their lives.

The value of a credit has risen to one per hour of education plus the type of activity that can be claimed for has been expanded.

CPD is a fantastic way to help

keep yourself motivated towards your career goals and ensures that you are a valuable asset to your current and any future employer.

Sami Strutt, BIGGA's Learning and Development Manager commented:

"We're excited about the new developments to the CPD programme. Member feedback has been important in helping us to shape the new programme and we feel that the enhancements that have been made will make CPD more attractive and attainable for our members. We're now concentrating on making the process of registering CPD credits

less cumbersome – watch this space!"

For more details on the new programme and how you may be affected by the changes we have created a Frequently Asked Questions section on the website that can be found at <http://www.bigga.org.uk/education/continuing-professional-development/cpd-frequently-asked-questions/>. We will be informing everybody how they will be transferred onto the new programme once the 2012/13 CPD scheme has been closed down. However, if you have any questions that are not on the website please call HQ.




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