

NEW SCOTTISH CENTRE GIVEN FULL APPROVAL

Lever Training Ltd, based in Fife, have received full approved centre status from the Scottish Qualification Authority (SQA) to deliver and certificate awards within the areas of Horticulture and Sportsturf across the landbased sector.

Wayne Roberts, Managing Director at Lever Training Ltd, said: "The landbased sector plays an important part in the UK economy, supporting many different areas including the soft fruit industry, production horticulture, woodlands and forestry and leisure and sporting activities.

Being able to provide sustainable long term employment and business development across the country is important to success. It is therefore vital that employers have ready access to training that directly supports employers and candidates in the workplace and fully considers the seasonality of training".

Working with employers from their base in Fife, Lever Training are able to provide work



based delivery, assessment and certification fully in the workplace across Scotland and the North of England. This reduces the time candidates are away from the workplace and maximises the learning opportunities that modern organisations can provide.

Wayne added: "The number of requests that we receive leads us to believe there is an ever increasing demand from the sector for specialist workbased delivery, carried out completely in the workplace and we are excited to be now meeting and supporting this demand."

For more information on the range of courses being offered, Lever Training can be contacted at learning@levertraining.com or by contacting Jackie Carstairs, Learning Manager on 01592 786709/719.

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SLIC Training are offering a 16 week 'taster' course in Land Based Engineering free of charge.

If you are based in Coventry, Warwickshire and Leicestershire and service your own Land Based Equipment they have a fantastic offer for you.

They are the largest Horticultural training provider in the UK and currently work with a number of national landscaping and grounds maintenance contractors.

They have received Government funding to engage with companies in Coventry, Warwickshire and Leicestershire to offer a 'taster' course in Land Based Engineering mechanics.

We can offer this to your eligible, existing staff, over the age of 19 years old - COMPLETELY FREE OF CHARGE.

The course is made up of a number of units taken from a Level 2 Diploma in Work-based, Land-based Engineering Operations for which the learner would receive accreditation. This is a fantastic opportunity to get some 1:2:1 training.

TORO_® AND FINALLY...

A reminder that the Toro Student Greenkeeper of the Year final will be held on 17 September at BIGGA HQ. Good luck to all eight candidates who were listed in last month's Greenkeeper International.

Next month's issue will feature coverage of the final plus an interview with the eventual winner.



Gold Key

Ian MacMillan MG, Ian Morrison Andrew Turnbull, W J Rogers Sam Langrick, Espen Bergmann Nick Gray

Silver Key Individual Members: Steve Dixon, Richard McGlynn Douglas Duguid, Jaey Goodchild, Graham Wiley, Michael Beaton, Paul Jenkins, David Barker

he funding provided y Gold and Silver Key ponsors is used to roduce training and career ids, DVDs, CD Roms, eld 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

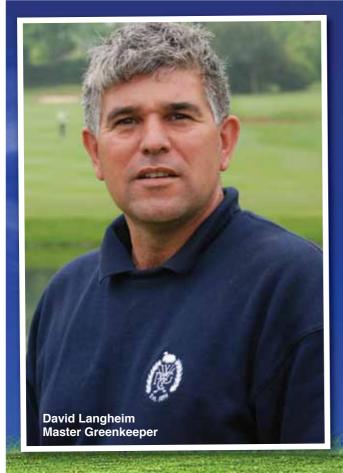
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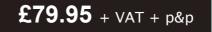
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