



Membership News

The latest news from BIGGA

Following the Greenkeeper International survey, we've revamped the Membership pages – and we want you to get involved.

As before, this section will highlight the many benefits BIGGA membership gives you, but will feature you, the members.

We want to hear your stories and experiences – so whether you've

found a new job through BIGGA, got help through our Legal Helpline or Lifestyle Counselling, worked at a high-profile tournament or even won a golf competition we want to hear from you!



BIGGA have chosen the greenkeepers from across the UK and the world who will be assisting the home greenkeeping team at Royal Liverpool GC at the 142nd Open Championship in July.

We had over 140 applications and as always, it was a tough decision to select the team. BIGGA's General Manager Tracey Maddison explained more about the process in Greenkeeper International in April last year. She said: "We look at every single application thoroughly - it's vital we get a good mix of experience, younger members and overseas members.

"It's important to ensure there is a core of people who have Open

Championship experience in the team to act as mentors for those who are involved for the first time.

"As part of the process there is a guarantee that a certain number of first time applicants are selected as well as a good number of members who are engaged with BIGGA at Section level or through CPD."

Here is the team for 2014...

Paul Armour
Head Greenkeeper, Lochgelly GC
Tony Bartram
Greenkeeper, Richmond GC
Graeme Beatt
Greenkeeper, County Sligo GC
Graham Blackburn

Head Greenkeeper, Ryburn GC
Harvey Brooke
Greenkeeper, Redditch GC
Martin Brown
Deputy Course Manager,
Aldwickbury Park GC
Jack Bryson
Greenkeeper, Huddersfield GC
Andrew Clark
Greenkeeper, Broadstone GC
Stephen Dale
Head Greenkeeper, Withernsea GC
Neil Davey
Greenkeeper, Worpleston GC
Jack Davies
First Assistant Greenkeeper, Five
Lakes Hotel Golf & Country Club
Joe Dormer
Greenkeeper, West Sussex GC
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Greenkeepers Legal Assistance
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Lifestyle Counselling Helpline
0844 770 1036
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Deputy Course Manager, The Point at Polzeath
 Asa English
 Deputy Head Greenkeeper, Rothley Park GC
 Sam Evans
 Deputy Head Greenkeeper, Oakland Park GC
 Tom Evans
 First Assistant Greenkeeper, Harleyford GC
 Geoff Fenn
 Course Manager, Bedford & Country GC
 Stuart Ferguson
 Course Manager, Dundas Parks GC
 Tom Freeman
 First Assistant Greenkeeper, Kingsdown GC
 Paul Gater
 First Assistant Greenkeeper, Caldly GC
 Kevan Glass
 Head Greenkeeper, Brokenhurst Manor GC
 Tony Gooch
 Head Greenkeeper, Torrington GC
 Jaey Goodchild
 Course Manager, Bowood Golf & Country Club
 Steve Hemsley
 Head Greenkeeper, Bolton Old Links GC
 Jack Hetherington
 Assistant Greenkeeper, Ponteland GC
 Richard Hood
 Head Greenkeeper, Sharpley Springs Golf Course
 Stuart Ineson

Head Greenkeeper, Dunstanburgh Castle GC
 Richard Jenkinson
 Deputy Course Manager, Ochil Developments - G West
 Harry Larkins
 Greenkeeper, Northamptonshire County GC
 Ben Lowery
 Greenkeeper, Elsham GC
 Dan McGuckin
 Greenkeeper, Middlesbrough Municipal GC
 Rodney McKay
 Greenkeeper, Galgorm Castle GC
 Ronan McKeown
 Golf Course Superintendent, Montgomerie Links - Vietnam
 Billy Merritt
 Head Greenkeeper, Beacon

Park GC
 Tim Needham
 Head Greenkeeper, Beedles Lake GC
 Finbarr O'Mahony
 First Assistant Greenkeeper, Kanturk GC
 Daniel Richards
 Greenkeeper, Llandudno GC
 Ian Semple
 Course Manager, Old Fold Manor GC
 Andy Slingsby
 Greenkeeper, Halifax West End GC
 Tom Smith
 Course Manager, Colne Valley GC
 Chris Taylor
 Deputy Head Greenkeeper, Willesley Park GC

Steven Thompson
 Greenkeeper, Trentham GC
 David Thompson
 First Assistant Greenkeeper, Hexham GC
 Andy Unwin
 Greenkeeper, Rotherham GC
 Sam Voss
 Head Greenkeeper, Forest Hill Golf & Country Club
 David Wilkinson
 Head Greenkeeper, Whitley Bay GC
 Martin Woods
 Course Manager, Bedlingtonshire GC

Commiserations to the applicants who were not selected on this occasion.



BIGGA Open Support Team 2013