

SOUTH HERTS GOLF CLUB

require

ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER

The successful applicant will be experienced in all aspects of greenkeeping. Possession of Part II Certificate will be an advantage but not essential.

No accommodation
Salary according to experience.

Apply in writing enclosing a full CV to:

**The Secretary,
South Herts Golf Club, Links Drive,
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OAKDALE GOLF CLUB



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Apply in writing enclosing a full CV to:

**The Secretary/Manager
Oakdale Golf Club,
Oakdale, Harrogate HG1 2LN**

Telephone: 0423 567162



Woking Golf Club

invite applications for the vacant position of

FIRST ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER

For an 18 hole golf course situated in heather and pine surroundings west of London.

Applicants should have at least eight years experience in all aspects of modern course management and maintenance techniques.

The ability to manage, control and motivate staff is important.

The salary and benefits are commensurate with this responsible position.
Accommodation is not provided.

Please reply in writing with full CV to:
**The Secretary, Woking Golf Club, Pond Road,
Hook Heath, Woking, Surrey GU22 0JZ**



Clyne Golf Club Ltd.

HEAD GREENKEEPER

required

Applicants must possess a recognised qualification up to City & Guilds Phase 3 and be experienced in all aspects of course management. Responsible to the Secretary/Manager, the ideal candidate will be able to demonstrate the ability to lead and motivate staff, organise work programmes and maintain health and safety requirements. A practical knowledge of modern techniques of course maintenance and construction, including machinery maintenance and care of irrigation systems is essential.

Closing date: 31 July 1994. Salary negotiable. No accommodation.

Reply in confidence with full CV to Secretary/Manager, Clyne Golf Club Ltd, 118, 120 Owls Lodge Lane, Mayals, Swansea SA3 5DP

Newton Stewart Golf Club

Wigtownshire

require a

HEAD GREENKEEPER

This is a challenging position for a fully qualified and experienced person who wishes to grow with an ambitious club.

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Please apply in confidence with full CV and salary required to:

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c/o Pyrford Golf Club, Pyrford, Woking, Surrey GU22 8XR



The Ridge Golf Club

require a

COURSE MANAGER

for this 18 hole country course opened in June 1993.

Applicants must have a proven track record and the ability to act on their own initiative. Salary in excess of BIGGA rates.

No accommodation.

Please apply in writing with full CV to:

The General Manager, The Ridge Golf Club, Chartway Street, East Sutton, Maidstone ME17 3DL

Gatton Manor Golf Club

require a

CONFIDENT GREENKEEPER

Applicants must be experienced in all aspects of greenkeeping and have a practical knowledge of modern machinery.

Opportunities for promotion.

Salary negotiable, single accommodation may be available.

Apply in writing, enclosing CV with full particulars including present salary.

to D G Heath, Gatton Manor Golf Club, Ockley, Surrey RH5 5PQ



Boughton Golf Club

require a

QUALIFIED GREENKEEPER

To join their young and enthusiastic team, on this new Kent course. Applicants must be fully experienced in all aspects of modern greenkeeping and have a thorough knowledge of machine maintenance.

Also holding Phase I and Phase II greenkeeping qualifications.

Apply in confidence with full CV to:

Head Greenkeeper, Boughton Golf Club, Brickfield Lane, Boughton, Faversham, Kent ME13 9AJ



Golfclub Mannheim-Viernheim
Baden-Württemberg, Germany
is looking for an experienced

HEAD GREENKEEPER

as soon as possible.

Please send your detailed application to:

The President of the Golfclub Mannheim-Viernheim, Alte Mannheimer Straße 3, D-68519 Viernheim (Tel. 06204/78737, Fax 06204/740181).

Ulverston Golf Club Ltd

Applications are invited from qualified greenkeepers for the position of:

COURSE MANAGER

At this very popular 18 hole parkland golf course situated on the Furness Peninsular in south Cumbria, some 10 miles from the Lake District National Park.

Applicants must be experienced in all aspects of greenkeeping with appropriate qualifications and have a practical knowledge of modern machinery and irrigation systems with good organisational and management skills and a sound knowledge of the current Health & Safety regulations is also required.

Accommodation is not available. Salary is negotiable.

Apply in writing with full CV to:

**P Wedgwood, Hon Secretary, Ulverston Golf Club Ltd,
The Club House, Bardsea Park, Ulverston, Cumbria LA12 9QJ**

Closing date: 2 August 1994

A GREENKEEPER'S DREAM...

to be responsible for the wellbeing of a magnificent new 18 hole course in South Devon.

TEIGN VALLEY GOLF CLUB opens later this year and the owners want to recruit greenstaff to work during the growing in period of the course.

At this stage we are looking for candidates who will have:

- ◆ experience in all aspects of modern course management
- ◆ practical knowledge of all appropriate machinery and its maintenance
- ◆ an understanding (at a minimum) of the game of golf.

We would expect that one of these appointments will develop into the role of course manager in due course.

There is no accommodation available.

Please apply in writing with full CV to:

The Secretary, Teign Valley Golf Club, Christow, Exeter, Devon

We require for our clients

A QUALITY HEAD GREENKEEPER

This is an excellent opportunity for a fully qualified greenkeeper for this busy parkland course south of London, with experience in all aspects of course management. The ability to motivate and lead an established team and organise work programmes is regarded as essential.

A practical knowledge of modern greenkeeping machinery and current Health and Safety regulations is also required.

Please apply with full CV in your own handwriting and state your present salary.

Salary negotiable to qualifications and experience.

Box No. R/1/94,

BIGGA, Aldwark Manor, Aldwark, Alne, York YO6 2NF



Stirling Golf Club

invites applications for the position of

HEAD GREENKEEPER

Applicants must be fully qualified greenkeepers having a sound knowledge of and experience in all aspects of course management and machinery maintenance. The ability to lead and motivate staff, organise work programmes is essential.

Apply in confidence with CV to:

**The Honorary Secretary,
Stirling Golf Club, Queens Road, Stirling FK8 3AA**



The Manor House Golf Club at Castle Combe

requires a

HEAD GREENKEEPER

One of the most spectacular and challenging courses in the South of England, bordering the beautiful Cotswold village of Castle Combe. Applicants must be fully experienced in all aspects of course management and maintenance techniques. The successful applicant must have the skills to lead and motivate a team and will be expected to demonstrate abilities to maintain a quality course to a high standard, exercising firm budgeting controls.

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Mr Michael Craig, General Manager, The Manor House Golf Club, Castle Combe, Wiltshire SN14 7PL. Tel: 0249 782982

Reddish Vale Golf Club

Cheshire

HEAD GREENKEEPER

Only experienced greenkeepers need apply, who have suitable qualifications in all aspects of greenkeeping and have the ability to motivate and direct staff.

Course designed by Dr A Mackenzie.

Salary above BIGGA recommended minimum.

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**The Administrator, Reddish Vale Golf Club,
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**Mark Barthelmie, Risboro' Turf,
Chinnor Road, Bledlow, Bucks HP27 9PH
Please enclose a full CV**

No 1: George Brown

Age: 55

Appearance: Cuddly comedian, like Terry Scott.

Not the late Labour MP then? No, this George Brown is course manager at Turnberry.

What's a course manager? It's like a greenkeeper only you tell someone else to cut the grass, you sit in on meetings with bigwigs from the R&A and BBC, and you're allowed in the clubhouse.

So why's he in the news? The Open Championship is at Turnberry July 14-17.

Is it an important event? It's the Wimbledon of golf but, more importantly, it can break a greenkeeper. One bad word from Peter Alliss and his life can be shattered. Tom O'Brien, head greenkeeper at Royal Birkdale, never recovered from criticism of his course during the '91 Open. It devastated him, then they dug up the greens and found no-one could have grown grass on the plasticine-like soil below the turf.

How's George's course looking? Great, but someone will soon find something to complain about, especially if things aren't going well for them. Last time the Open was at Turnberry, in 1986, the pros said the fairways were too narrow and the rough too rough!

Isn't it supposed to be rough? Yes, but the pros don't like looking stupid on TV. If they're in the rough they still like to be able to reach the green, not chip out sideways with a sandwedge.

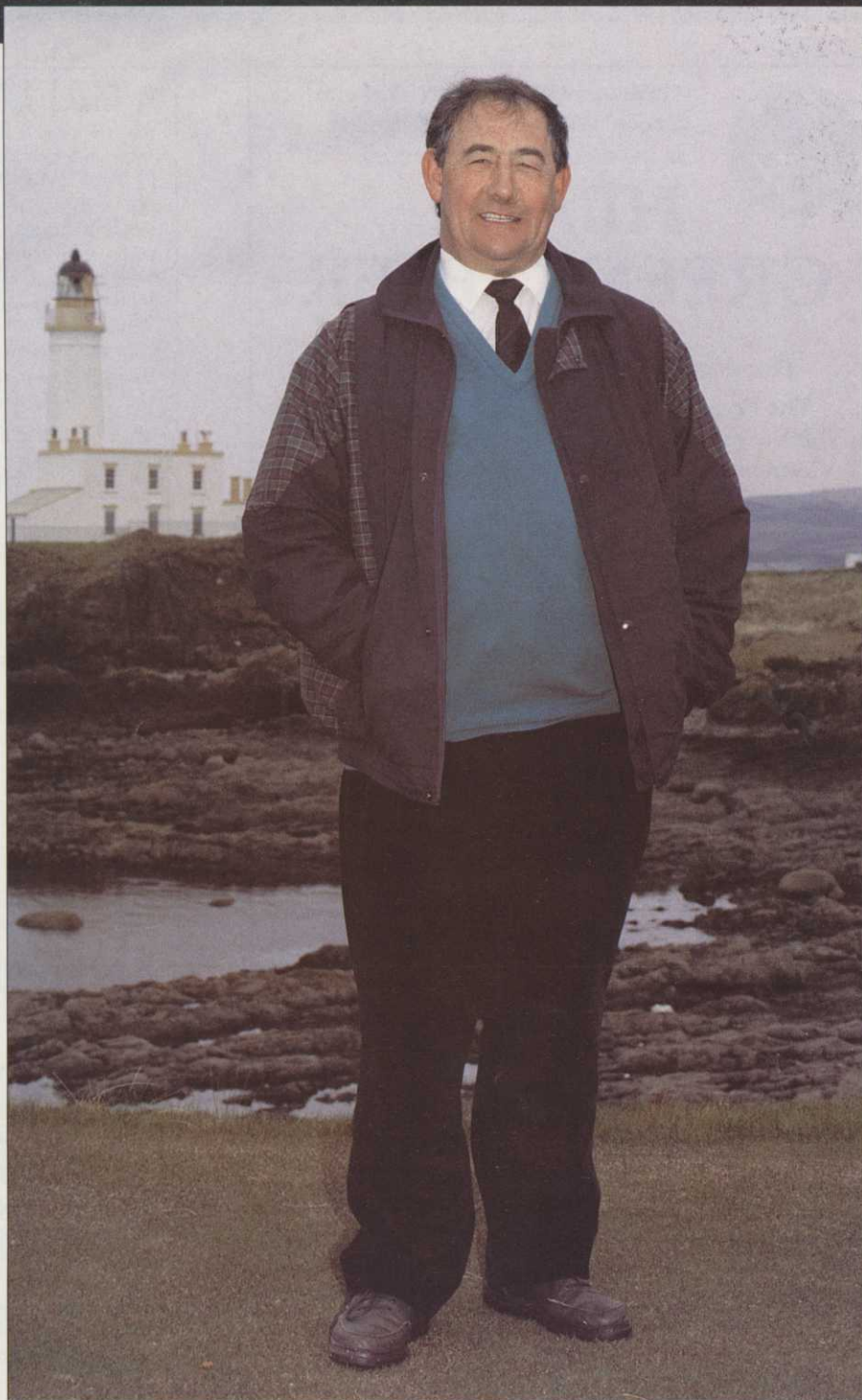
The course was too tough for them? The winning total was level par 280.

What's that mean? The winner had as many birdies as bogeys.

Oh! It also means Greg Norman's '86 winning score was way behind Tom Watson's winning total at Turnberry in '77 - 268.

Was the course easier in '77? It was for Watson and runner-up Jack Nicklaus - everyone else was closer to Norman's score that year. Hubert Green, who came third on 279, said: "I won the tournament I played in". No, the course was pretty much the same, the difference was the weather. In '77 it was hot and dry with little wind, in '86 it was blowing a hooley. If there's no wind, it's a relatively easy course for top players. George Brown reckons some pros could shoot 59, but 63s and 64s are definitely on the cards. If the wind blows, however, it's easier to get 75s and 76s, and breaking 80 can be hard. That's the beauty of a links course.

A what course? A links course - near the sea, built on sandy soil, lots of mounds and bumpy fairways. No trees, only gorse bushes and wild flowers. Small, strategically-placed bunkers.



It doesn't sound like that pretty course I saw on TV recently? That was probably Augusta National in America. No, it's nothing like that. George Brown likes it when his fairways are brown. His Japanese bosses don't, but he says they're learning that links courses are different, that green is not necessarily beautiful.

But does he know what he's talking about? He's one of the most respected greenkeepers in the country. He's been doing it for 40 years, in fact since he was 15. And he's been at Turnberry since January 1986.

Do you have to know about golf to manage a course? No, but it helps. George was once the head greenkeeper and pro at the same nine-hole course in Hampshire. He plays off four now.

What's that mean? He's allowed four bogeys.

And is that good? Pretty good, but the idea is not to have any bogeys because it messes up the card.

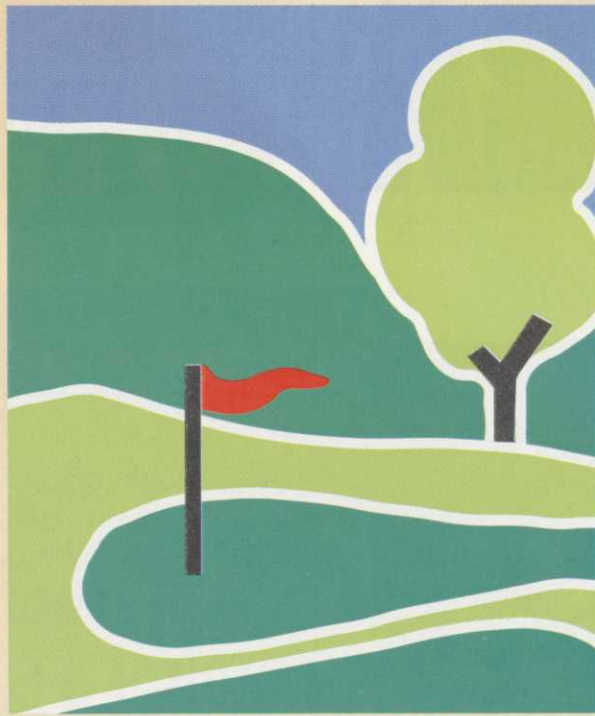
Not to be confused with: George Brown, the late MP; George Brown, the author; Charlie Brown; Walter Woods; Jimmy Kidd; Jim Arthur.

Least likely to say: "Peter Alliss, you don't know what you're talking about."

Even less likely to say: "Let's plant some rhododendrons."

Most likely to say: "Augusta is like a blow-up doll - not as good as the real thing."

(With apologies to The Guardian's excellent Pass Notes)



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