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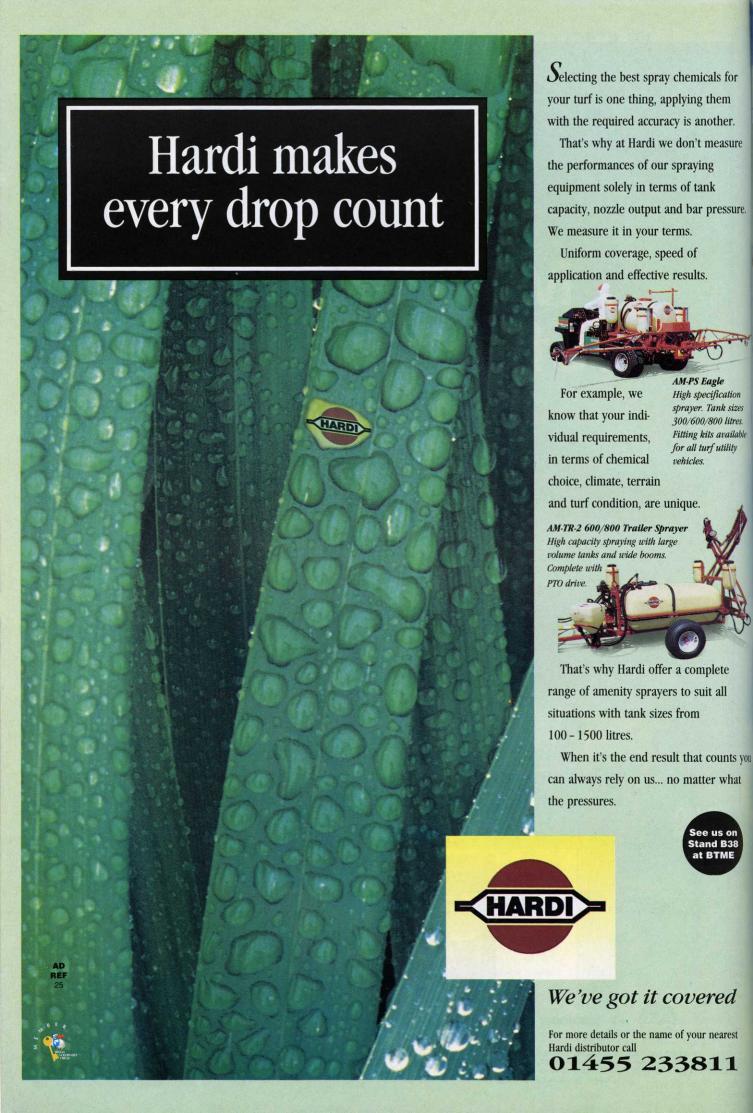
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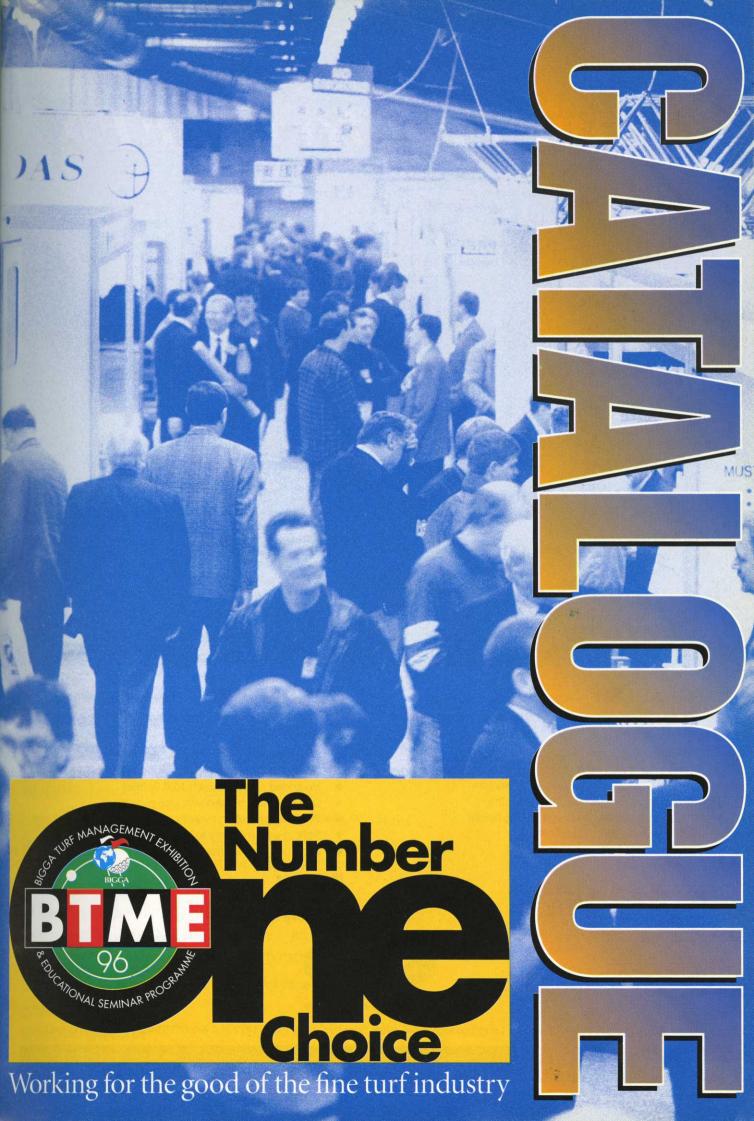


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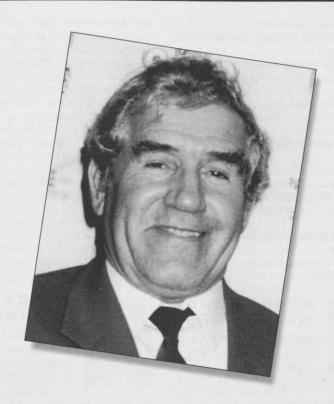


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It gives me great pleasure on behalf of the British and International Golf Greenkeepers Assocation to welcome you to Harrogate International Centre for BTME 96.

We have been delighted with the progress BTME has made since it was first launched in 1989 and feel proud that we have achieved our objective of making it the largest, and we believe best, indoor exhibition for the greenkeeping industry in Europe.

It is an ideal showcase for the products of the manufacturers and the perfect environment for the comprehensive range of educational seminars, lectures and workshops.

My year as Chairman comes to an end at BTME 96, and I have thoroughly enjoyed my term of office, particularly getting an opportunity to meet so many of you at the various functions I have attended.

I hope that whether you are an exhibitor, a greenkeeper, golf club official or a speaker you will have a successful week and will enjoy being a part of the BTME 96 experience.

There is genuinely something for everyone.

### **BARRY HEANEY** Chairman of BIGGA

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **BTME Opening Times**

Wednesday January 24 9am-5.30pm Thursday January 25 9am-5.30pm Friday January 26 9am-1.30pm

#### **Booking System**

Any delegate wishing to book hotels, seminar sessions or the Banquet should contact Sami Collins at BIGGA Headquarters on 01347 838581. Last date for acceptance of bookings is January 16.

The BIGGA Annual General Meeting will take place at the Majestic Hotel at 5.45pm on Wednesday January 24, 1996. All members are urged to attend but membership cards must be produced.

Andrew Lawrence of Fenchurch and Bob Dudgeon of Peter Hoare and Co will be on the BIGGA Stand for the duration of the Exhibition to give advice to BIGGA members. Andrew can help on matters of general insurance and the Hambro Legal/ Stress Helplines while Bob can give pension and general financial advice.

#### **Social Programme**

As ever there is something for everyone in the social calendar with the Majestic Hotel playing host to the formally organised events.

The Conference Dinner on the Monday night features David Gunson the Air Traffic Controller and winner of the Benedictine After Dinner Speaker of the Year title.

The Karaoke Night on the Wednesday is the occasion when you are the entertainment always bearing in mind that Matthew Kelly might be hiding in the shadows waiting to frog march you on to "Stars in Your Eyes" if you show any potential.

The Exhibition Banquet on the Thursday night is the grand finale of the social programme and this year features comedian Stan Boardman,

a recent victim of Michael Aspel's big red book on "This is Your Life" and Lyn Paul, pictured, the former lead singer of the New Seekers.

They are joined by the City Lights Show Band to complete the entertainment for the evening

# THE





#### NATIONAL **EDUCATION** CONFERENCE

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Stanley Zontek, Director,

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#### **GRASS SPECIES FOR GOLF**

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#### A SCIENTIFIC APPROACH

Jonathan Hill, Product Manager, Rhône Poulenc

#### THE BUDGET PROCESS

David Whitaker, Course Manager, Wisley Golf

#### **GOLF COURSE CONCEPT DESIGN AND** DEVELOPMENT

Neville Pearson, ADAS

#### **OVERWINTERING IN CANADA**

Trevor Smith, Past President, Canadian Golf

Superintendents Association

#### PESTICIDE USAGE SURVEY - PRELIMINARY RESULTS

Dr Alan Gange, University of London and David Garthwaite, Central Science Laboratory

#### FROM SOIL TO SAND

John Wells, Master Greenkeeper, Course Manager, Brocket Hall

#### THE TRANCENDANT RESOURCE FOR ALL **SEASONS**

David Winterton, Master Greenkeeper, Course Manager, Donnington Grove Country Club

#### **COURSE MANAGEMENT UP A MOUNTAIN**

Ian Tomlinson, Course Manager, Lausanne Golf Club

#### ANNUAL BLUEGRASS/BENTGRASS WHICH IS STRONGER?

Joe Vargas, Professor of Botany and Plant Pathology, Michigan State University.



#### **EDUCATIONAL** WORKSHOPS

**Workshop 1: Golf Course** Design, Construction and **Establishment** 

Presented jointly by BIGGA and the British Institute of

Golf Course Architects. A practical 'hands on',

two day workshop which will allow delegates to gain experience of golf course architecture and project management. The course will cover the history of golf, the development of golf course design, design philosophies and grow in maintenance and will include the design of a golf course from project concept to full technical detail.

The workshop will be presented by Howard Swan MSc and Simon Gidman BSc, both members of the British Institute of Golf Course Architects.

**Workshop 2: Stress Management Techniques** 

A practical two day workshop which will allow delegates to learn and practise the techniques of managing stress in themselves and how to recognise and reduce stress in others. The workshop will be presented by Brin Bendon, Vector Training - see feature on handling stress, Page 29



#### **EDUCATIONAL** SEMINAR PROGRAMME

THE CANADIAN GOLF SUPERINTENDENTS **ASSOCIATION** 

Trevor Smith, Past President,

Canadian Golf Course Superintendents Association





#### WHO ME?

David Walden, Zeneca Premier Greenkeeper '94 **BACK DOWN TO EARTH** 

Euan Grant, Toro/PGA European Tour Student Greenkeeper of the Year 1994

THE ROLE OF THE UNIONS TODAY

**English Golf Union** 

THE EVOLUTION OF GREENKEEPER TRAINING IN IRELAND

Joe Furlong, Golfing Union of Ireland

THE GREENKEEPER, THE GOLF CLUB AND THE SCOTTISH GOLF UNION

Bob McLaren, Scottish Golf Union

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Lorraine Hatton, Plan-it Training and Consultancy Ltd

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Andrew Boyd, Head Greenkeeper, Bridlington

PORTFOLIO DEVELOPMENT FOR **VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS** 

Brin Bendon, Vector Training

#### STRESS MANAGEMENT

Jenny Rolf, Lecturer and Stress Counsellor

THE EXPANDING ROLE OF THE GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

Gary Grigg, President GCSAA

#### **LUBRICATION TECHNIQUES**

Ron Coleman, Managing Director, Lubrication

#### **NEW TRENDS IN TURFGRASS MANAGEMENT** IN THE US

Stanley Zontek, Director, United States Golf Association, Mid Atlantic Region

#### SIX SIMPLE TECHNIQUES TO IMPROVE YOUR **GOLF COURSE AT THE**

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John Armitage, Chairman of Green, Littlestone Golf Club and Director of Green Eagle

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Joe Vargas, Professor of Botany and Plant Pathology, Michigan State University



# STRI/BIGGA CHAIRMEN OF SECRETARIES COURSE

This course attempts to give

golf course officials the necessary knowledge to understand the problems of managing a golf course. As well as teaching the basics of turf science, the course includes a visit to the STRI laboratories and trial grounds.



#### INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

The symposium, organised by BIGGA, will give international visitors the opportunity to present their ideas for

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# Managing workplace stress

We all use the term stress in our daily conversations and we all know what we mean by it since we recognise the signs and symptoms in ourselves and others. A common definition sees stress as a physiological response to undue pressure brought about when there appears to be a gap between how a person perceives the demands being made on them and how they view their ability to

With the increased demands being made upon managers and their employees to achieve more with fewer resources at a time of unprecedented change, stress is on the increase and greenkeeping is not immune for these pressures.

The prospect of increased civil liablilty claims for stress has been raised following the much publicised case of John Walker verses Northumberland County Council in 1994. This test case set a new legal precedent under which employers may in future be liable under the Health and Safety at Work legislation if employees can prove that they suffered work related illness due to undue occupational stress.

Apart from the prospect of costly litigation, why do employers and management need to take stress management seriously?

The reasons are clear: If occupational stress builds up to unacceptable levels, then employee welfare and productivity will suffer. Surveys undertaken by the HSE and others suggest that the problem is now seen as a major contributor to work-related illness

#### by BRIN BENDON

Brin will be conducting a free session on supervisory management during BTME 96, in the Royal Hall on Thursday January 25 from 1-1.40pm. There's no need to book - just turn up on the day

and sickness absence. Up to 40% of sickness absences may be stress related.

Dr Vernon Coleman estimates that for every employee on the payroll, stress costs about £1,000 per year in lost time due to stress related illness. Stress costs British Industry something like £20 billion a year, making Britain a world leader in the damage that stress does.

How do we account for these trends? Professor Tom Cox suggests that workplace stress is an organisational issue and that employers and managers should consider whether work design and management which result in excessive and unreasonable pressures are posing a risk to health.

The signs of workplace stress can be observed in reduction in output, higher wastage and error rates, weaher planning and control of work, poor motivation and commitment, erratic or poor timekeeping, poor customer service and conflict and tension between colleagues.

Effective stress management can't just cure the symptoms, it has to look at the cause. Change and uncertainty, lack of clear objectives and inflexible and overdemanding schedules all contribute to occupational stress.

What should our response be? The first step must be to raise awareness of stress as a serious health and safety issue and ensure that practical steps are taken in relation to the day to day planning and organisation of work. We need to raise awareness first because it is something that people are reluctant to discuss. We need to get across the message that it is not wimpish to admit to experiencing stress. Stress is not down to individual susceptibility or weakness.

Finally, we need to invest in management training to prepare Course Managers and Head Greenkeepers for this additional responsibility.

Brin Bendon is a Management Training Consultant who has a background in behavioural sciences. He is the director of Vector Training, a training consultant specialising in Human Resource Management and is an approved provider of BIGGA's Supervisory and Management Courses.

QUIZ









Match up the sporting pursuit to the BIGGA member of staff. There are a couple of bogus

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