

Aldwickbury Park Golf Club

This proprietary club has recently obtained planning permission to construct a new maintenance facility and invites applications for

HEAD GREENKEEPER

Candidates require: Experience of Course Management Strong team leadership skills The ability to control greenkeeping budgets A sound knowledge of greenkeeping including PA1, PA2 and PA6 spraying certificates, HND or HNC preferable. Accommodation available, salary negotiable.

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GREENKEEPER

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founded 1894

Invite applications for the position of

HEAD GREENKEEPER

Stratford on Avon Golf Club is a parkland course, set in 150 acres, and was designed by Course Artichect, J H Taylor. Sam Ryder was the first Club Captain of the Club.

The successful candidate must possess the following skills:-Previous experience essential, along with appropriate qualifications. Able to motivate and manage an enthusiastic team of 5. Budgetary skills, preparing and monitoring. Health & Safety issues, including risk management. Must be enthusiastic with a hands on approach. Salary negotiable in accordance with experience. Closing date for applications - 28th August 2002.

Apply in writing with C.V. to:

Mr Shane Dodd, Secretary, Stratford on Avon Golf Club, Tiddington Road, Stratford on Avon, Warwickshire. CV37 7BA. Telephone - 01789 205749 Fax - 01789 414909. E-mail - sec@stratfordgolf.freeserve.co.uk. Website - http://www.stratfordgolf.co.uk

St George's Hill Golf Club

require a

HEAD GREENKEEPER

St George's Hill Golf Club is a 27 hole course situated on St George's Hill, a private estate on the outskirts of Weybridge, Surrey.

A Harry Colt design dating back to 1912, it is a heathland course with Scots pine, deciduous woodlands and areas of heather.

This is a private Members' Club with a healthy and discerning society clientele.

Both members and visitors enjoy a very high standard of golf, which the club wishes to maintain and improve upon.

Reporting to the Secretary, the successful candidate will be qualified to at least NVQ Level 3 and have the man management skills required to lead and motivate an experienced team of greenstaff. Experience with the latest computerised irrigation system and other modern course machinery is essential.

Salary will be negotiable, no accommodation is provided. Relocation expenses will be considered.

Applicants should in the first instance apply in writing enclosing a full Curriculum Vitae and all other relevant information.

The Secretary, St George's Hill Golf Club, St George's Hill, Weybridge, Surrey KT13 0NL



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Invites applications for the position of HEAD GREENKEEPER

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Closing date for applications 30th August 2002. Applications in writing with full CV to:-

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Applications should be sent in writing with CV to:-

The Chairman, Shooters Hill Golf Club Ltd, "Lowood" Eaglesfield Road, London SE18 3DA

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Please apply in writing with CV to:

Secretary/General Manager Ealing Golf Club, Perivale Lane, Greenford, Middlesex UB6 8SS

BRICKENDON GRANGE GOLF CLUB

Require an

ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER

Brickendon Grange is a private members golf club situated on the outskirts of Hertford. The course is located in 160 acres of mature parkland and we are looking to recruit an additional member to our greenkeeping team. We have the reputation of being one of the best golf courses in the county of Hertfordshire.

The successful applicant will be expected to hold relevant qualifications and experience of using modern machinery and irrigation systems. The position is full time working 40 hours per week.

Please apply in writing with a full CV to :

Mr Trevor Booth, Course Manager, Brickendon Grange Golf Club, Pembridge Lane, Brickendon, Nr Hertford, Hertfordshire SG13 8PD



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Closing Date: 15th August 2002



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Please apply in writing with a full CV to :

Mr Trevor Booth, Course Manager, Brickendon Grange Golf Club, Pembridge Lane, Brickendon, Nr Hertford, Hertfordshire SG13 8PD

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Invites applications for the position of

DEPUTY HEAD GREENKEEPER

Needs to be experienced and qualified to NVQ/City & Guilds Level 3 or equivalent plus PA1, PA2 and PA6. The successful applicant will have the ability to manage the course in the absence of the Head Greenkeeper. A practical knowledge of machinery and irrigation systems maintenence are essential.

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A Successful Month

I am writing this piece from the 131st Open Championship at Muirfield where the BIGGA Open Support Team has been hard at work assisting Colin Irvine and his team to prepare the golf course and enjoying the privilege of accompanying players during their rounds to rake the bunkers they find.

The course has been absolutely superb and has provided a tremendous test for the best players in the world. I do think the height of rough and tight fairways made it extremely difficult for some of the field and Muirfield now holds the record of Tiger Woods' highest professional score - the 81 he shot in the third round. In Ernie Els, however, the course has yet again produced the knack of singling out one of the world's finest players to be its Champion

Colin and his team must be congratulated on the magnificent condition they produced the course, while I would like to say a big thank you to each member of the team - as well as the BIGGA staff - who attended, for all the work they carried out to such a high standard. It was a great success and I was proud that everyone of you represented the Association to such a high standard.

It is a hard week with early starts and late finishes but, as ever, the team members threw themselves into the work with great enthusiasm and were rewarded with experiences which will last them for the rest of their lives. For example how many people can say that Tiger Woods has walked up to them, shaken their hands and said, "Hello, I'm Tiger Woods"? That's something to tell the grandchildren!

Earlier in the month I was delighted to be invited to the Scottish National Golf Championship at West Linton Golf Club. This was a very successful day with more than 80 players taking part on a magnificently prepared golf course. Special credit must go to Chris Yeaman and his team for managing this unique moorland golf course to such a high standard. That standard was matched by Scottish Regional Administrator, Peter Boyd, for whom the phrase "Working like clockwork" might have been invented. All in all it was a wonderfully enjoyable occasion.

On another matter I was particularly pleased to learn that Bernhards are continuing their BIGGA Delegation sponsorship for a third year and that ten members will have the opportunity to attend the GCSAA Conference and Show in Atlanta, Georgia, next February. Having spoken to those who have attended in previous years I know that it is a superb trip and a great deal is learned from it. It is open to every single member of the Association from Assistants to Course Managers and all you have to do to put yourself forward for consideration is fill out the card which appears on the front cover of this magazine.

Finally, I am absolutely delighted to hear that negotiations have been concluded with the NEC in Birmingham and that BIGGA has now purchased the rights to the Clubhouse Exhibition, which will now join with BTME at Harrogate in January to make our biggest week of the year even more significant within the golf industry as a whole. A lot of hard work and discussion has gone into making this possible and I am pleased that the Association has been able to make this arrangement a reality.

I am sure that it will be a great success and I would urge all members to ensure that their Secretaries and golf club personnel attend.

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Richard Barker

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