

HEAD OFFICE

IMPORTANT TAX BENEFITS FOR MEMBERS

THE Inland Revenue has confirmed that the Association is now recognised as an approved body under Section 201 Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988. Members can therefore obtain tax relief on their membership subscriptions. The Association's name will appear in the next edition of the list of approved bodies, which is due for issue later this year. Inspectors of Taxes will not receive notification of the Association's approved status until then. Therefore, if members wish to obtain a deduction for their subscriptions for 1990/91 before the new list is issued, they should explain when contacting their local tax inspector that the body has only recently been approved and quote the Head Office reference show below.

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THE 119TH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP, ST ANDREWS 19th-22nd JULY

IF you wish to be considered for the Greenkeeping Support Team at St Andrews, please forward your name and address to BIGGA Headquarters as soon as possible.

Please note that preference will be given to members who will be available for the period Wednesday July 18th - Sunday 22nd inclusive.

1990 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT GANTON GOLF CLUB 6th-9th AUGUST

ENTRIES are invited for the above event to be played over three days at the majestic Ganton Golf Club in Yorkshire.

A banquet will take place at the Royal Hotel, Scarborough on the Tuesday evening and the prize presentation will be held on the Wednesday, following completion of the third round at Ganton Golf Club.

The event will be multisponsored and coach trips will be arranged on two of the days for companions.

Entries to BIGGA Headquarters enclosing a cheque for £30.00 to include one banquet ticket.

Extras: Banquet per ticket £14.00; Coach trip: Monday-Yorkshire Dales £7.50; Tuesday-Trip to York £5.00.

SISIS SPONSOR BIGGA REGIONAL FINALS

SISIS Equipment (Macclesfield) Limited have a longstanding and close relationship with the greenkeeping profession and are therefore pleased to announce their sponsorship of the 5 Regional Seminars scheduled for 1990.

Speakers will cover all aspects of Golf Course Management and SISIS will work closely with BIGGA Regional Administrators to organise and promote these interesting and worthwhile events. All BIGGA members will receive a personal invitation to attend the Seminar in their Region and full details of the programmes will be published in future



Neil Thomas.

issues of Greenkeeping Management.

Dates and venues known so far are:
March 20, BIGGA Scottish Region, Dunfermline Golf Club.

November 6, BIGGA South West & South Wales Region, Cannington College, Bridgewater.

November 21, BIGGA Midland Region, Warwickshire College.

November 14, BIGGA South East Region, East Sussex National Golf Club.

October 9th, BIGGA Northern Region, Askham Bryan College, Nr York.

JOINT INITIATIVE IN GREENKEEPING CONSULTANCY

INTERNATIONAL Golfers Club and British and International Golf Greenkeepers Association are pleased to announce their joint initiative to create a greenkeeping consultancy service for golf clubs and developments throughout Europe.

They will offer the services of highly experienced greenkeepers for: regular inspection visits; staff training and advice; trouble shooting for particular major problems, and employment of teams for new developments.

The service will commence from April 1st and can be booked by clubs who wish an initial day's report on their current requirements. The first greenkeeper consultant to be appointed by IGC/BIGGA is Jack McMillan, who will be relinquishing his position as head greenkeeper at Sunningdale Golf Club at the end of March.

The BIGGA national education conference at Royal Holloway and Bedford New College from March 30th to April 1st is also being totally sponsored by IGC as part of their overall commitment to improving the quality of greenkeeping throughout Europe by education and specialist advice.

Total membership of the association at 1 February 1990 is as follows:
Greenkeepers.....3324
Assoc/Trade.....297
3621

Total Membership at 1 October 1989:
Greenkeepers.....3040
Associate.....92
Trade.....230
3362

Total Membership at 1 June 1989:
Greenkeepers.....2700
Associate.....84
Trade.....215
2999

Total Membership at 1 March 1989:
Greenkeepers.....2100
Associate.....71
Trade.....202
2373

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3,621 members

