Greenkeeping School of Excellence

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Sweden

Introduction

Do you want a career in Golf Course Management?

Careers in Golf Course Management have become increasingly popular and as a result more education courses have become available which will enhance the individuals. The challenge is finding suitable practical Greenkeeping work experience to complement this formal education.

FEGGA in association with Kristianstads Golf Club in Sweden have put together what we believe is the perfect opportunity for a greenkeeper to gain practical experience along with a well structured lecture programme that will have a long-term benefit to any Greenkeeper at the end of the course.

Based in the idyllic and historic seaside village of Åhus, Kristianstads Golf Club is one of Sweden and Europe's best golf complexes. Major investment has taken place since the course was bought out several years ago. A total renovation of its East Course was completed in 2017, a 'state of the art' new Maintenance facility was opened in 2019, and resort houses and sports centre opens 2020. Plans for the coming two years are to firstly host the Creekhouse Ladies Open, on the Ladies European Tour (September 2020), build a new Clubhouse facility, and to redesign or second course, the West Course.

Kristianstads Golf Club is the 5th oldest club in Sweden, first founded in 1924. The Club prides itself on quality and service and strives to produce the best playing surfaces for its members, guests and tournaments.

If your CV is lacking in Tournament preparation, this may just be the course you cannot miss.



A unique 6 months Work Experience Scholarship Programme

The Scholarship programme will be based in Åhus, south Sweden The Programme will be run over a period of 6 months and start in April each year.

The students will gain exceptional experience at Kristianstads GC, working with some of the most qualified people and companies in golf Course design and maintenance today. The unique work experience the students will have relates to the lecture programme that the students will have throughout the course of the 6 months. The way that it will work is that they will learn skills and put those skills into valuable work experience. This helps the students not only gain the knowledge but also the experience of putting it to the test so that they don't go away with just notes on how construction is carried out and what machinery is useful in different situations. Throughout this work experience, they will be overlooked by KGK Greenteams management team, led by Bevan Tattersall, Golf Courses Manager.

Programme

During the 6 months the students will have a structured programme of lectures which will relate to the work experience the students will undertake throughout the period. The type of experience gained in the education programme will be Golf Course Design delivered by Ryder Cup Golfer, Pierre Fulke; Irrigation Design and Specification along Machinery planning, purchasing and maintenance.

Tournament preparation, presentation, planning and management will be available on the course. Kristianstads Golf Club will be host to the inaugural 'Creekhouse Ladies Open' in September 2020. All candidates will have first hand experience in both planning behind the scenes and the daily course set up.

The lecture programme will be endorsed by both FEGGA and Kristianstads Golf Club and each student will receive a Certificate of Excellence on completion of the programme. A sample of this lecture programme is set out below.

Professional Development Award that will complement the work <u>experience</u>

This is a sample of the current student programme

Who	Company	Course Topics
Klas Arildsson	Kristianstads GC	Golf Business Organisation
Bevan Tattersall	Kristianstads GC	Course Setup. Tournament preparation. Course Management
Peter Lundgren	John Deere	Tomorrows Turf Machinery
Pierre Fulke	Pierre Fulke Design	Golf Course Design
Joakim Haeggman	Svenssons Motor	• European Tour and Ryder Cup
Dean Cleaver	FEGGA	 Personal Development. FEGGA's role in the golf industry Careers in Greenkeeping
Goran Tyrsing	SGA	Swedish Greenkeepers Association
Hakan Stalbro	SGF	Swedish Golf Federation
Mark Ganning	Hunter Irrigation	 System Design Understanding the mechanics of an irrigation system Set-up and Maintenance Water Management
Thomas Johansson	Jordelit	Fertilizer andChemical Management
Alan Lindsay	Happy Greenkeepers	• Future in Golf Course Management
Arjen Spek	Foley United	Grinding Workshop
Pelle Kruger	CEO Creekhouse Management	• Sport Management and Tournament Sponsorship
Kneale Diamond	Capillary Concrete	• Bunker Masterclass – including design, construction and maintenance
Ludde Nordeklint	Kristianstads GC	Golf in Sweden
Lina S. Lagergren	Kristianstads GC	Reception and Shop
David Green	Kristianstads GC	Role of a Golf Professional
Niklas Johansson	Kristianstads GC	Health and Safety

Student Information

The Scholarship programme is open to all Greenkeepers with some experience, and a Member of their respective National Greenkeeper Association under the umbrella of FEGGA. We are looking for enthusiastic Greenkeepers who have an ambition to become Golf Course Managers. The Scholarship programme will be available to 8 students per year, with a start date of April. Applications need to be made to Dean Cleaver through the contact details below

Remuneration

A relocation allowance will be supplied. Candidates will be paid via their employment provider on a monthly basis.

Accommodation

The students will be provided a communal house that will be available at a heavily subsidized cost.

Interested?

If you would like more information, or are interested in applying for this unique opportunity, you need to apply in writing and enclosing your CV to:

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Partners and training providers.



FEGGA

Bringing people and organisations together

During my 40 years of working in the Golf Business, starting out a greenkeeper, and leading onto managing three golf courses, I have worked and experienced most things relevant and essential to Turf Management, and the successful Management of a golf Club.

In 2000 I became Executive Officer of Federation of European Golf Greenkeepers Associations (FEGGA), serving 25 National Member Associations through the promotion of Educational Standards and Professional Recognition along with the many issues facing Greenkeepers, and <u>Country Associations</u> concerning the European Union, and EU Legalisation.

In my present role, the Federation is assisting the promotion of the profession of golf turf management Country by Country, working with the major global golfing bodies, and other allied Associations. Many benefits are now visible across Europe with Educational Programmes, Environmental Policies and general recognition of the profession.

One major aspect of FEGGA's work is providing opportunities for aspiring greenkeepers to help develop and advance their careers. This opportunity at Kristianstads Golf Club provides a unique opportunity combining valuable work experience within a very experienced team led by Bevan Tattersall, coupled with an educational programme touching all aspects of Turf Management. FEGGA are delighted to partner Kristianstads Golf Club in making this exciting programme available to aspiring Greenkeepers throughout Europe.





Klas Arildsson - CEO, Kristianstads Golf Club

The demand on high quality golf courses are constantly elevating and to match the increased demand, we need to provide good education to greenkeepers. We are excited to announce that we will start a comprehensive education program, where we provide a broad training program for greenkeepers including not only greenkeeping knowledge, but also covering the major aspects managing a golf course. The trainee will get a certificate after completed and approved education.



Bevan Tattersall - Golf Courses Manager

The world of golf is constantly changing. Grassed sports surfaces over the last 30 years have improved without measure and with Golf - we the Greenkeepers are the driving force behind this.

The position of a Course Manager is vital in making sure standards are always being bettered. Not only for our guest experiences and playing surfaces, but also in our environment, working environment, health and safety and education.

This course designed by both FEGGA and ourselves at Kristianstads Golf Club is help educate and 'make ready' the next generation of Golf Course Managers. The training providers will offer a fully comprehensive overview of our profession and all are the leaders in their industry.



Ludde Nordeklint - Head Greenkeeper

Ludwig 'Ludde' Nordekint has worked at Kristianstads Golf Club for over 25 years. His experience from previously being a touring professional, enables Ludde to see the course from both side of the ropes. Ludde will educate you with 'Golf in Sweden' and standards expected from tournament Golf.



Niklas Johansson - Head Greenkeeper

Niklas has grown up here at Kristianstads Golf Club. He is currently doing his degree and gaining experience around the globe working with larger tournaments. Niklas is also responsible for all onsite Health and Safety and will help to educate you in current legislation.



ina S. Lagergren - Head of Reception & Golf Shop

Lina will willingly teach the importance of communication between reception and the Greenkeeping Team. Lina will also be explaining the route for the Golfer from booking stage through to them leaving the site. Lina will also explain the role of the Golf Shop and the strategies behind the products chosen that Lina and her colleagues sell.



David is our Head Pro and is responsible for a teaching team of three. David will explain the importance and role of the teaching professional and the services they offer.

With over 30 years in the industry David will explain the importance behind quality and service.

Be part of our winning team

