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Win a once-in-a-lifetime Toro Scholarship
with the Student Greenkeeper of the Year Awards 2022





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TORO STUDENT GREENKEEPER OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2022

The Toro Student Greenkeeper of the Year Awards are committed to offering greenkeepers of all ages, backgrounds and experience levels a chance to excel.

Once-in-a-lifetime opportunities await the winning greenkeepers to further their career and network with influential industry leaders.

STUDENT AWARD PRIZE

Toro Student Greenkeeper of the Year winner will receive: enrolment in an internationally recognised 10-week turf management remote study course, The Winter Turf School (University of Massachusetts). A two-week work placement at the world-exclusive Adare Manor Resort (Ireland, 2027 Ryder Cup venue). As well as an all-expenses paid trip to the GCSAA Conference & Show (USA) and a visit to Toro Corporate HQ, R&D Centre and Equipment Operations in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Toro Student Greenkeeper of the Year runner-up will receive: a trip to Continue to Learn at BTME, including four days of education, five nights hotel accommodation, travel and £125 expenses, plus a Toro training course voucher.

YOUNG AWARD PRIZE

Toro Young Student Greenkeeper of the Year Award winner will receive: a two-week all expenses paid work experience placement at the exclusive Vidauban Golf Club in the South of France, plus a trip to Continue to Learn at BTME and a Toro training voucher for a course of their choice.

Toro Young Student Greenkeeper of the Year runner-up will receive: a trip to Continue to Learn at BTME, including two days of education, three nights hotel accommodation, travel and £75 expenses, plus a Toro training voucher for a course of their choice.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Any greenkeeping student who is undertaking one of the listed qualifications below (at the time of application):

Level 2 Work-based Diploma – Greenkeeper / SVQ

Level 2 Certificate in Golf Greenkeeping

Level 3 Work-based Diploma – Greenkeeper / SVQ

Level 2 Diploma / National Certificate (NC)

Level 3 Subsidiary / Extended Diploma

Young Award students must be aged 21 years or under at time of application.

IMPORTANT DATES

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: 31 May 2022

INTERVIEWS: 04 – 08 and 11 – 15 July 2022

NATIONAL FINAL: 07 – 09 September 2022

STUDENT ENDORSER PRIZE

Endorser of the Toro Student Greenkeeper of the Year will receive: a trip to the Golf Industry Show in the USA, including flights, hotel, education and show accreditation.

YOUNG STUDENT ENDORSER PRIZE

Endorser of the Toro Young Student Greenkeeper of the Year will receive: a trip to Vidauban Golf Club for the last two days of their student's placement, including flights and hotel.

Students can put themselves forward for the Awards with college tutors, assessors or employers endorsing their application. Please note all applications must be submitted online at **bigga.org.uk/education**



Rudding Park have really invested in my development so I was determined to work hard and bring the trophy back 'home'

Winner **Matthew Milligan** - Greenkeeper, Rudding Park Golf Club, Harrogate

WHY APPLY?

-  Acknowledged as the highlight of the student greenkeeper's year the Toro Student Greenkeeper of the Year Awards provides the opportunity to expand their experience by meeting and competing with the best
-  They could win a 10-week scholarship turf management study course with The Winter Turf School (University of Massachusetts), a trip to the Golf Industry Show and a visit to Toro's factory in Minnesota
-  Both categories could win two-week work experience placements at the world-exclusive Adare Manor Resort (Ireland, 2027 Ryder Cup venue) and Vidauban Golf Club (France)
-  All Awards finalists will be given BIGGA membership for one year (following on from the expiry date of their current memberships)
-  Increase their skills and knowledge to enhance their professional development
-  The opportunity to network with peers and build lasting relationships
-  For further information and full terms and conditions, or to complete the online application form, please visit **bigga.org.uk/education**

TORO STUDENT GREENKEEPER OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2021 WINNERS



The 2021 winners and national finalists

Back row: Cameron Shanks, Daryn Curtis, Ross McKie, Greg Manson, Michael Russell, Callum Marjoribanks. Front row: Matt McCreadie, Will Pallister (runner-up), Rhian Barton (winner), Matthew Milligan (winner), Craig Woodman (runner-up) and Leon Brant



The 2021 winners, runners' up and judges

Back row: David Cole (Reesink Turfcare managing director), Colin Webber (BIGGA president), Gordon Moir (BIGGA vice president), David Timms (Reesink Turfcare), Sami Strutt (BIGGA head of learning and development), James Hutchinson (BIGGA membership services manager), Craig Woodman (runner-up), Mathew Milligan (winner) Rhian Barton (winner) and Will Pallister (runner-up)



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Get more out of your greenkeeping career
Get nominated for a once-in-a-lifetime Toro Scholarship



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HOW TO APPLY

Complete the online application form at: bigga.org.uk/education

When applying, please provide the name of the individual who will endorse the application and email a passport-style photo of the nominee to deb@bigga.co.uk

Applications can be endorsed by college tutors, college assessors, head greenkeepers/course managers or golf club managers.

Young Award students must be aged 21 years or under at the time of application.

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: TUESDAY 31ST MAY 2022

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