



# GET MORE OUT OF YOUR CAREER



Win a once-in-a-lifetime Toro Scholarship with the Student Greenkeeper of the Year Awards 2020





# MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR A FLOURISHING CAREER

**TORO STUDENT GREENKEEPER OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2020**

**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:** an eight-week all expenses paid Toro Scholarship, including a six-week residential turf management study course at the University of Massachusetts, a trip to the Golf Industry Show and a visit to the Toro factory.

**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 voucher for a course of their choice.

## **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.

## **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.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Closing date for applications:** 29 May 2020

**Regional interviews:** 29 June – 10 July 2020

**Final at BIGGA HQ:** 07 – 08 September 2020

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 [www.bigga.org.uk/education](http://www.bigga.org.uk/education)





For me, the whole process has helped to give me the confidence to progress further in my career and do things I never would have thought I could.

2019 winner **Jason Norwood**  
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 an eight-week scholarship to the USA in January/February 2021 (including a six-week residential turf management study course at the University of Massachusetts, a trip to the Golf Industry Show and a visit to the Toro factory)*
- 🏆 *They could win a trip to Continue to Learn at BTME (including 4 days of education, hotel, travel and up to £125 expenses)*
- 🏆 *They could win a two-week work experience placement at the world-exclusive Vidauban Golf Club in the south of 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 [www.bigga.org.uk/education](http://www.bigga.org.uk/education)*

## TORO STUDENT GREENKEEPER OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2019



### The 2019 winners, national finalists and judges

Front row: national finalists from left to right, Thomas Bird, Sutton Coldfield; Vincent DeMarzo, The Wisley; Nicholas Turner, Royal Dornoch (now Bedford & County); Jason Norwood (winner), Rudding Park; James Dawson (runner-up), Oulton Hall; Daryn Curtis, Farleigh Court (now Royal Mid-Surrey); Matthew Strudwick, Royal Norwich.  
Back row: judges from left to right, Scott Reeves, BIGGA Chairman and course manager at Leyland Golf Club; Bruce Jamieson, golf course consultant, representing The Toro Company; David Cole, managing director at Reesink Turfcare; Sami Strutt, head of member development at BIGGA; Chris Sealey, course manager at Chippenham Golf Club; Colin Webber, vice president at BIGGA; Stuart Green, head of member learning at BIGGA.



### The 2019 Young student finalists and judges

Judges pictured with Young finalists, front row from left to right: Josh Marshall, The Worcestershire; Tom Bromfield (winner), Trentham; Josh Marshall (runner-up), The Worcestershire; Lewis Westwood, Celtic Manor.





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**HOW TO APPLY**

Complete the online application form at: [www.bigga.org.uk/education](http://www.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](mailto: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 time of application.

**CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: FRIDAY 29 MAY 2020**

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