## The 4'S' Seminar (Stumps, SSSIs, STRIs and Secrets!)



Date: Tuesday 14th February 2012, 10.00am - 2.30pm Venue: Oaklands College - Smallford Campus, Hatfield Road, St Albans, Hertfordshire, AL4 0JA



Relevant attendees will earn 2 BIGGA CPD credits

## **Seminar Programme**

10.00am - 10.20am: Arrival and Welcome

10.20am - 11.00am: Chris Wood - English Cricket Boards Pitches Consultant

Chris will be giving an overview of his work and how pitches for the Ashes and other major tests are prepared and some of the politics involved. This will be an informative look at one of the most problematic sports surfaces to prepare and promises to be a "must not miss" for those interested in seeing another side of turf care or those who just love cricket.

11.10am - 11.50am: Charles Henderson - Turf Agronomist with the STRI

Charles will be looking at the subject of quality golf greens, how to achieve quality and then, perhaps more importantly, how to retain quality. With a long standing background in turf agronomy this should be of interest to all Greenkeepers striving to achieve the best for their members and visitors.

12.00pm - 1.00pm : Lunch

1.00am - 1.40pm: Gareth Roberts - Course Manager at Hankley Common GC

Gareth will be speaking on tree management and heathland regeneration that he has overseen at the renowned Hankley Common GC. Rated as an SSSI and one of the top 100 golf courses in the UK, this is sure to be an informative talk as well as a visual treat.

2.50pm - 2.30pm: Cameron McMillian - Course and Estates Manager at Queenwood GC Cameron will give an overview of how he rebuilt 20 greens in 10 days at this secretive and prestigious club. If you think this is an impossible task why not come along and see how it was done.

2.30pm: Acknowledgements and Close

## Cost: £12 in advance (including VAT).

Cost includes lunch & refreshments. Places are limited to 140. Please make cheques payable to Oaklands College and send to Andrew Wight, Oaklands College Smallford Campus, Hatfield Road, St Albans, Herts, AL4 0JA.

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Name/s of attendee/s

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