


JOE BURNS

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SKILLS

- Turf mowing
- Grass cutting
- Drainage management
- Irrigation application
- Chemical application
- Fairways maintenance
- Plant watering
- Golf hole cutting
- Ride-on mower operation
- Weeding
- Repair and maintenance
- Tool management
- 180 Excavator Certified
- PA1/PA2/PA6 Certified
- Manual Handling Certified
- First Aid Certified
- Experience using Skidsteers, 360 Excavators, Telehandlers

CERTIFICATIONS

- PA1/PA2/PA6 certified
- 180 Excavator Certified
- Manual Handling
- First Aid

Responsible Greenkeeper, passionate about delivering outstanding quality and service. Offering 9 years of experience in industry with history of recognition for performance, with over 10 tournament experiences. Mainly knowledge extending from traditional Links courses, being situated on the East Coast of Scotland has allowed me to work on historic courses such as Muirfield and Gullane which was a fantastic experience. I believe being a Greenkeeper in Scotland is a brilliant way of learning Greenkeeping as we deal with a wide variety of weather here, going from warm to very hot to mild and then to freezing cold allows you to see how the courses react differently to each weather type.

I now believe I have gained a lot of experience and knowledge in this industry that I'm ready to start a new challenge. After volunteering at the Waste Management open 2023 it had always been a dream of mine to work and gain extensive knowledge worldwide and helping out at that tournament ignited that desire to really go for it.

EXPERIENCE

September 2018 - Current

Senior Greenkeeper *The Renaissance Club*, East Lothian

- Ensured course offered consistent challenges and enjoyable experiences to golfers by designing exciting course layouts.
- Involved in championship build up to multiple Scottish Opens
- Using and maintaining light and heavy machinery
- Responded to and efficiently dealt with wear and tear caused by golfers and animals.
- Conducted renovations and maintenance on sheds, fences and gates.
- Used environmentally-friendly treatments to manage and remove weeds, fungal diseases and pests from course grounds.
- Regularly watered grass and plants to maintain health, strength and optimal growing conditions.
- Mowed and edged grassed areas regularly, maintaining trimmed appearance and excellent grass health.
- Pruned trees and shrubs to remove dead and dying branches, maintaining neat and tidy appearance.
- Renovation of bunkers during winter maintenance which involved revetting bunkers and creating and building new tees

April 2014 - August 2018

Greenkeeper *Archerfield Links*, East Lothian

- Spent two years training for a Level 2 Turf Maintenance apprenticeship
- Trained in all aspects of machinery usage and tools
- Learnt how to set up cutting units on greens, fairways, tees mowers
- Learnt all other aspects of Greenkeeping knowledge

EDUCATION

2016

SVQ Level 2 Turf Management

GOSTA Training, Bathgate

- Coursework in [Turf Management](#)
- Learnt all aspects of safe machinery usage
- Identifying Grass types
- Health and Safety Training
- COSHH
- HASAWA
- Fire Training
- Identifying Diseases