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**CONGRATULATIONS TO FLORISSANT'S GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT ANDY
SPRUNT FOR BEING NAMED MASTER GREENKEEPER BY THE BRITISH &
INTERNATIONAL GOLF GREENKEEPERS ASSOCIATION (BIGGA)**



Mayor Tim Lowery is pleased to announce that in May of this year, Golf Course Superintendent Andrew Sprunt of Florissant Golf Club became the 80th BIGGA (British & International Golf Greenkeepers Association) member to achieve the Master Greenkeeper certification. This difficult process can be attested to by the fact that there are only 80 who have achieved it world-wide! This year six new Master Greenkeepers were named by BIGGA, four from the United States and two from the United Kingdom.

Along with a minimum of 200 credit hours of formal/informal education and training, just a few of the requirements for this prestigious honor include; 10 years working as a Greenkeeper, 3 years working as a Head Greenkeeper/Course Manager/Superintendent, 2 years on their current golf course in the position of Head Greenkeeper/Course Manager/Superintendent, and must be at CPD Approved status.

Andy Sprunt stated, "I started my career in 1995, attending Easton and Cannington College. In 2001, I graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Horticulture from Writtle University. I have worked at multiple golf courses in the UK, such as Royal Norwich, De Vere Dunstan Hall, and The London Club. I did a grow-in at Aphrodite Hills Golf Resort in Cyprus, and then headed to the United States as a global turf grass intern with the Ohio State University. I came to Florissant Golf Club in 2008 as an Assistant Course Superintendent, and then in 2012 I became Course Superintendent. This is an immense honor that was made possible with the assistance of many people along with the backing of my family."

Andy Sprunt will be attending the certification award presentation early in 2020.

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