

Greenkeepers Club of New England

NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER, 1946

The August meeting was held at the Haverhill Country Club, Haverhill, Mass. Manuel Francis, Greenkeeper host, gave an inspiring welcome to all members present. Many fine comments were made on the condition of the course. At 12:30 a delicious luncheon was served, which was followed by a short business meeting.

Homer Darling presided at the meeting. Joseph E. Butler of the Wayland Golf Club, was elected as a member of the club. The applications of Samuel Schiavone, Worcester Country Club, Worcester, Mass., and Arthur J. MacLean of the Vesper Golf Club, Lowell, Mass. were read. These applications will be voted upon at the next meeting.

In the morning a demonstration of the Trav E. Lawn sprinkler was given. Many members showed much interest in its value for watering fairways.

The afternoon was devoted to a golf tournament. The prize winners were as follows:

1st. M. Francis 86-18-68

2nd. M. Ryan 80-9-71

There was a three-way tie for 3rd and 4th prize. Cassidy, Anderson and N. J. Sperandio with 72 net. As the result of a toss up, Sperandio and Anderson won.

Robert Mitchell is well on the road to recovery from his recent illness.

George Rommell is now located at the Whippoowell Country Club, New York City district, as Superintendent. He will be in charge of the restoration of the course, which has been shut down during the war years.

—NOTICE—

The Fifteenth Annual Greenkeepers Field Day sponsored by the Agricultural Experiment Station, Golf Association, and Greenkeepers Association will be held at the Rhode Island Agricultural Experiment Station, Kingston, Rhode Island, September 11th.

Although this meeting is partly sponsored by the Rhode Island Greenkeepers Association as part of their service to members, it is open to all who are interested in turf problems.

This meeting is near the close of a very busy season to give an opportunity to talk over the turf problems of 1946 and how they were met. Representatives of the U. S. Golf Association, Natural Greenkeepers Association, New England, Connecticut, Northeastern New York, Rhode Island, and New Jersey Associations will discuss important problems of the past season.

The manufacturers and distributors of equipment and supplies will support the meeting with excellent demonstrations. This will give an opportunity to inspect certain labor-saving machinery and materials that you need in your work.

A cordial invitation is extended to you to take part in the program and to inspect the experimental putting green and lawn plots where varieties of creeping, colonial, and velvet bent and other grasses are under experiment and demonstration with regard to soil conditions, compost top dressing, effect of different fertilizers, disease, insect and weed control and several promising selections of bent grass strains.

PROGRAM

- 9:30 A.M. Registration, Taft Laboratory, Campus.
 10:00-12:30 A. Inspection and demonstration of labor-saving machinery and materials.
 B. Inspection and discussion of Turf Experiments. Dr. DeFrance, Dr. Odland, Mr. Allen.
 11:00 A.M. Demonstration by the Ideal Mower Company of its lawnmower and power lawnmower.
 12:45 Lunch at College Dining Room, Lippitt Hall.

Speakers Program

Toastmaster: Charles H. Hartley, Secretary, Rhode Island Golf Association.

Welcome—Dean Mason N. Campbell, Director, R. I. Agricultural Experiment Station.

Address—Marshall E. Farnham, President, National Greenkeeping Superintendents Association.

Dr. Fred V. Grau, Director, U. S. Golf Association.

A brief discussion of important turf problems of 1946, and how they were handled.

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| 1. New England Greenkeepers' Assn. | Homer Darling |
| 2. New Jersey | Eberhard Steiniger |
| 3. Connecticut | Fred Emeneger |
| 4. N. E. New York | Jack Gormley |
| 5. Rhode Island | Pat Tamco |

General Discussion of 1946 Turf Problems. Dr. Odland, Chairman.

An invitation has been extended by the Point Judith Country Club to enjoy golf privileges and especially to inspect their Piper Velvet Bent greens, (Nos. 14, 15, 16), which are now nine years old.

According to the Treasurer's report of August 15, 1946, the following members are in good standing:

Arthur Anderson	Elmer Fuller	Wallace Peckham
T. P. Anderson	Stephen Hannon	Edward Phinney
A. M. Barney	Paul Hayden	George Rommell
Andrew Blake	William Larner	Maurice Ryan
Manuel Braga	John Latvis	Anthony Sperandio
Simeone Braio	Louis Marotta	N. J. Sperandio
Nick Bruno	Tom Mattus	Ralph Thomas
Tom Burke	James McCormack	*Paul Wanberg
Phillip Cassidy	William McBride	Leslie Wildgust
Oscar Chapman	Robert Mitchell	Frank Wilson
Albert Clark	Samuel Mitchell	Clifford Hunt
John Clinton	Harold Mosher	William Mitchell
Harry Cottelle	Edward Murphy	George Symonds
Jack Counsell	Michael O'Grady	Ted Swanson
Homer Darling	Alex Ohlson	Edward Buecher
Joseph Dinardi	Edward Ohlson	David Regan
Howard Farrant	Joseph Oldfield	Guilford Johnson
Manuel Francis	Thomas O'Leary	

*Deceased

The September meeting will be held at the Salem Country Club on September 9, 1946. The annual championship tournament will be played and there will also be several net prizes for the aged and infirm bogie shooters. Java and sandwiches for lunch at noon. We are not planning to give any demonstration but you may be interested enough to give our rough cutting outfit the frosty eye.

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