

# Greenkeepers Club of New England

## NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 1948

The November meeting was held on Friday, October 29th, at the Pine Brook Golf Club, Weston, Mass. Host greenkeeper was Harold Farrant. What proved to be true fine hospitality was shown by the club, in their serving of a very tasty and well prepared dinner, refreshments in the house and on the course, and also their donation of twelve golf prizes.

The demonstration by the Clapper and Heffner Companies was held as scheduled.

A business meeting was called by President Philip I. Cassidy. The application of Carmen D. Capozzi, of the Norfolk Golf Club, Dedham, Mass., was voted upon, resulting in his being elected an associate member.

The following men were appointed as the nominating committee for 1949 and told to report at the next meeting:

Sam Mitchell, Chairman; Ted Swanson, Art Anderson and Mike O'Grady.

Manuel Francis and Harold Mosher were appointed to assist the committee that is working on the 25 year award for member greenkeepers.

It is with regret we announce the passing of Norman Howden, associated with the Clapper Co., Newton, Mass., as salesman at their store for many years.

Prize winners of the golf tournament were as follows: 1st net, P. I. Cassidy; 2nd net, N. J. Sperandio; 3rd net, Art Cody; 4th net, A. Allen; 5th net, A. Anderson; 6th net, L. Mitchell. High Gross, Bud Hayden. High Hole, A. J. Sperandio and J. Dinardi. Most 5s, Bill Ash; Most 5s, R. Thomas; Most 4s, Art Cody. Longest distance, J. Dombek; Most 8s, Steve Hanon; Most 3s, P. Cassidy; Most 6s, Mike O'Grady. Highest 9 holes, Ted Murphy.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

As of October 15, 1948

#### MATERIAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

Lake Sunapee Turf Gardens— 3,000 sq. ft. turf	\$375.00
The Clapper Company (hose)	90.00
(typing)	40.00
Ideal Mower Company, mower	275.00
Outlook Sprinkler Co., sprinkler	9.75
Hyper Humus Co., 6 bags	12.00
Dow Chemical Co., Chlordane	25.00
U.S.G.A. Green Section, Stolons C-19	75.00
Hartford Golf Club Stolons, C-1	75.00
F. H. Woodruff & Sons, seed	95.00
O. M. Scott and Sons, seed	40.00
Chas. Pfizer and Co., mercury	11.25
	\$1123.00

#### CONTRIBUTIONS:

18 Golf Clubs	\$ 345.00
4 Cemeteries	40.00
3 Individuals	24.00
Greenkeeper Clubs N.E.	100.00
New England P.G.A.	50.00
O. M. Scott and Sons	250.00

TOTAL \$809.00

#### GENERAL OBJECTIVE —

To conduct research in turf maintenance and through it strengthen our educational and extension programs.

#### Immediate Projects

- A. Varieties
- B. Nutritional limits of tolerance
- C. Trials with fertilizers, insecticides, fungicides and herbicides
- D. Construction
- E. Cultural and monetary balance of maintenance practices

#### Experimental Sites —

- A. Practice putting green
- B. Formal plots
- C. Formal Garden and campus lawns
- D. Golf courses, home lawns, and park areas located about the state.
- E. Green house

#### General Notes

All experimental sites will be opened to the public as demonstration areas. All areas will be subjected to their normal uses.

Here in Massachusetts where there are over 200 golf clubs, their total contribution is \$345.00, averaging a little better than \$3.00 per club. This showing in comparison with the golf clubs representing over a million dollars in investment. Not too good, I should say.

The growing of better turf needs help from all, so let's do our part.

Small clubs—donating \$10 to \$30

Larger clubs—donating \$30 to \$75

The next meeting is going to be held on Monday, Dec. 6, 1948, at the Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass. The meeting is to start at 1 P.M. sharp.

Mr. Donald Sweeney of the O. E. Link Co., Clifton, N. Y., will speak on "Soilicide", and Worm eradication.

Mr. Lemuel Conn of the Dupont Semesan Co., Wilmington, Del., will speak on their products and also show colored movies to illustrate his talk.

Those advertisers who were invited to last winter's meetings are being invited to attend this winter's meetings.

A. J. SPERANDIO, Editor