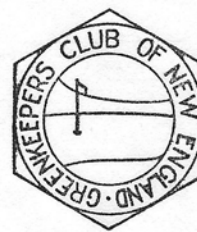


NEWSLETTER

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WANTED—A Newsletter editor for the next three months. Present editor unable to attend meetings until over the construction hump.

In a few days we will observe and celebrate July 4th—Independence Day. What a great day that was in 1776 for our courageous and far-sighted forefathers—and still a great day for all of us now. The Declaration of Independence gave us much to be proud of and much to appreciate. How different we celebrate the fourth now compared to our boyhood days. Then there was real excitement and many thrills to anticipate. Remember those good old days? The torpedo age, then the fire-crackers and finally the cannon crackers or even a small cannon with the big boom in the neighborhood. Of course there were a few powder burns, an occasional finger lost, maybe some property damage. All of this is gone now. The noise and excitement has given way to a safe and sane fourth. Now we have the automobile. We go places. Far off places in a hurry. Lots of others go too. Result. Wreckage and human bodies scattered over the highways throughout the land. The editor has no figures to prove it, but I'll wager the present day safe and sane fourth creates more deaths and maimed bodies than the good old fourth of July ever did. So if you or your friends plan a trip for the Fourth, be careful. Be cautious. Better yet, stay at home. Quietly enjoy the freedom that the Declaration of Independence gave us.

FOR SALE—Iron greens roller four section, like new \$18. Water ballast roller large size 15. 12 inch plugger \$7.50.

Harry Cottelle
Barrington, R. I.

FOR SALE—New unused electric motor and irrigation pump. Ample and adequate for a good 9 hole watering system. G. E. motor, 14 h.p. 3 phase 1800 r.p.m. with automatic starter switch. \$300. Lawrence centrifugal pump 300 gal. per min. \$225. Also slightly smaller completely overhauled Meyers centrifugal pump. \$125. Here's a chance for real saving on new equipment.

Homer Darling, Northboro 444

WANTED — A used overgreen tractor or similar for final preparation of greens under construction. Homer Darling, Northboro.

Oh for the life of a greenkeeper. First its Poa Annuu then clover. Cool then hot. Moist then dry. Thunder, lightning, hail, wind. Mother nature is giving us the works this year. Never a dull moment.

The meeting at the Wachusett Country Club was a huge success. Well attended, a beautiful day and a jovial group. The equipment demonstrations were most interesting and instructive. A credit to our chairman of the educational committee and to the dealers who participated. The attendance prizes were won this time by Dick Finnerty, Chet Sawtelle and Red Williams. Better handicap Sawtelle. New member voted in, Robert Mucciarone, Wayland Golf Club. Application for membership Wilfred Daiglee, Mt. Pleasant C. C. regular member, and Sam MacDonald, Albemarle Golf Club, Assoc. member.

Phil Cassidy reports the following tournament results. Greenkeeper Chairman. Best ball 1/2 combined handicap. Home talent not to be denied. Guy Tedesco and W. Coomey of Wachusett with a best ball of 75. Net score 58. Close on their heels was the Marshfield C. C. team, Mel O'Kelley and H. Jeeves with a net 61.

Blind Bogey results: Mike O'Grady first and Narry Sperandio second. Special Wachusett Tourney: Low gross, John Dombeck 77, 1st net, Dave Barry 75, 2nd Net Tie, Art Cody and Sim Braio with 76. Guy had the course in fine shape though handicapped by an astonishing amount of casual water. Incidentally, some of the water wasn't so casual and how Guy overcomes this problem is a credit to him. The hospitality of the Wachusett Country Club and its staff left nothing to be desired and it must have been late indeed when the last one of our group left for home.

You will all regret to learn that Rolly Thomas had a very painful accident recently. He got mixed up with a propellor type mower and when the dust had cleared Rolly was minus several toes and the possessor of 56 stitches. We hope he is now recovering satisfactorily without too much pain and discomfort.

Next Meeting — Place, Derryfield Country Club, Manchester, N. H.

Date, July 7th.

Time, 10:30 A.M.

There will be demonstrations of the latest type of rough equipment. Many models will be shown. Also Michigan Peat, Inc. will explain their horticultural peat products. Don't be late.

Last call on those dues. They'd better be in by July First or else.

H. DARLING, Editor