

# Newsletter

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*"News are as welcome as the morning air"*—Chapman

We hope the ones who could not attend the June meeting will welcome the news of the fine meeting at the Wannamoisett C. C. in Rumford, R. I., on June 2nd.

Superintendent Mario Finizia gave all a royal welcome.

The first order of the day was a demonstration of all types of mowing equipment; vertical, rotary and just plain cutting. Also demonstrated was a ditching machine, aerifier and sprinkling accessories.

At a fine dinner the group was officially welcomed by Mr. Carlson of the Wannamoisett C. C. Mr. Perry, Secretary of the R. I. Golf Association was introduced and welcomed us to Rhode Island.

Mr. Purcel, in charge of the Brockton Vets. Hospital rehabilitation program, spoke on the work being done at Brockton in building a nine hole golf course. This work is progressing to a point where stolons of C-1, C-19, C-27 will be needed in the fall for planting several greens. If you have room in your nursery to put in a few rows of stolons now, they will certainly be welcome in the fall for use at Brockton. If you would like a few strips of sod for this purpose, information on where it is available can be had at the next meeting.

Charlie Allen extended the best wishes of Dr. Jesse DeFrance and said the Field Days at Kingston will be held September 11 and 12 with an Old Fashioned Clambake at Wakefield, R. I.

Other celebrities present were Peter McCarthy, feature sports writer of the Providence Journal; Mr. Harrison, chief engineer of West Point products and Ted Radko of the Cleary Corp. Ted is a brother of our friend Al Radko.

There were 104 present at the meeting and we are sorry to report that only 10 chairmen were included. Why?

Door prizes were won by: Sam Mitchell, Jr., Jim Sabin, Chet Sawtelle, Tony Carranci (the late groom), Orville Clapper, Arthur Anderson, John Pemetol.

One of the brightest moments was the entrance of Pat Tameo at the dinner.

During dinner a light rain started but this did not deter quite a few golfers from playing Mario's fine course. I must admit that I saw several groups return and then start out again. I couldn't find out if they had forgotten something or if that is the way they play Mulligans now.

If scores were turned in they will follow.

In keeping with our new policy here is a brief schedule of maintenance practices at Wannamoisett by Mario Finizia:

Analysis of Fertilizer used	8-6-4
Lbs. of Nitrogen per season	Greens 10
	Tees 12
Lbs. of 8-6-4 per season	
	Fairways 1,000 per acre
Greens are cut at 3/16	
Greens are cut Monday, Wednesday, Friday,	
Saturday, Sunday	
Greens Mowers	owned 4
	ready for use 3
Men employed year round	2
Men employed in summer season	12
Type of men for summer work	9 men, 3 boys

Mario makes the following observation, "Don't fire your present help because the new men you hire may be as bad or worse."

*"Change amuses the mind, yet scarcely profits"*  
—Goethe

We are happy to report that John Dombek is feeling better and has started back at the club.

Our genial Newsletter Editor, Homer Darling, has been under the weather but is bouncing back strongly. It seems that Homer is having trouble getting over his Winter vacation.

THE JULY MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD AT THE MANCHESTER COUNTRY CLUB, MANCHESTER, N. H.

Ed Buecher, Superintendent, has promised us a beautiful day to visit and play his course.

The date is MONDAY, July 7, 1958. Dinner will be held promptly at 1 P. M.

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