

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION OF NEW ENGLAND

Newsletter

November - December 1959

The saying "Gone but not forgotten", certainly applies to the turf problems of 1959. The trying moments we would like to forget quickly but for our own benefit we cannot afford to forget the how, when, and where of what happened during the season. If it hasn't already been done that little record book should contain many observations of 1959. We easily forget the details. Here are some questions to ask yourself. What mistakes did I make? If I was to do it over again what would I do differently? Were my cultural methods correct for all conditions? Were my men properly informed on the technique of various jobs for best results? What should I do next spring to forestall the re-occurrance of any troubles carried over from 1959 What information should I obtain this winter to improve my store of knowledge?

"Wisdom prepares for the worst, but folly leaves the worst for the day when it comes"Cecil.

Two regular meetings of the Association were held in October. The first October 5, was at Vineyard Haven, Martha's Vineyard Island. This was the first meeting (as far as the editor recalls) this Association ever held on the Island. Dick Mansfield, the host Superintendent and Mrs. Mansfield had looked forward to this meeting for a long time and did everything possible to give everyone a good time. Some went Saturday, some Sunday and some Monday A.M. There was a Saturday night dance, a trip around the Island, a choice of two beautiful golf courses to play, and plenty to eat, in fact there was so much to do and see, time ran out before the return trip by ferry Monday P.M.

Highlights....Mike O'Grady had one of his best rounds of golf with an 83. Guy Tedesco a 73. -----O'Kelly proved to be a master with lobsters.-----Mr. and Mrs. N. Sperandio missed the ferry while standing at the gang plank. The captain must have taken them for bystanders.-----Mr. and Mrs. Al Sanders never reached the Island. While staying over night at Woods Hole to get the ferry the next morning, the doctor had to be called during the night for the Mrs. They returned home after this. The Mrs. is okay now.-----A mysterious blonde was reported on the Island. -------Who was June?

The annual Brae Burn Supt. - Pro Scotch Tournament was held October 19. Joe Looney, the Herald sportswriter reported that all of Brae Burns plush acreage was in use for this tournament as Arthur Anderson had the tee markers so far back they practically invaded the back yards of the local homes. There was only one accident reported of falling off the back however. Everyone agreed that the course was in marvelous condition. The winners this year were, Pro Olle Clark and Leon St. Pierre with B.Crowley & Howard Farrant a close second. The best gross was one over par 74 by Belmonts Ken Campbell and Manuel Francis, Jr. The leading scorers were,

Clark-St. Pierre	86-71
Crowley-Farrant	84-72
Burke-Capozzi	88-73
Campbell-Francis, Jr.	74-74
Manning-Murphy	80-74
Thoren-Mansfield	81-74

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Here is a For Sale Item.

One Aerifier Model G L 2 In good condition -- Used but little Has two sets of spoons ½" and ½" . Can be seen at the Unicon Golf Club.

> See Franklin Hammond Colonial Country Club, Lynfield

Plans for the annual March Turf Conference at Amherst are now shaping up with a program that promises to be outstanding. A successful meeting of the Conference Committee was held in late October at the Waltham Field Station. Those present at the meeting were, Chairman Narry Sperandio, Dr. Havis, Dr. Colby, Joseph Trull, Al Radko, Albert Allen, Sam Mitchell, Jr., and H. Darling, Those unable to attend were Phil Cassidy, James Gay (Cemeteries) and Orlando Capizzi (Landscape Gardeners).

DECEMBER 7

The Associations Annual Meeting

At the Waltham Field Station

Exclusively for Members Only

An Important All Day Affair

- 10:00 A.M. Directors Meeting
- 11:00 A.M.

Business Meeting Report of Officers Election of Officers