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NEWSLETTER

February, 1964

The February meeting was held on February 3, 1964 at the Waltham Field Station.

Guy Tedesco, Rep. Grounds Equipment, Inc., was presented the Association's Golf Championship Trophy.

Phil Cassidy, Supt. Weston C. C., was presented the Association's Seniors Golf Championship Trophy.

Plans are underway for celebration of the Association's 40th Anniversary. The committee (Bob Mucciarone, Ted Murphy and Bill Barnett) has made tentative plans for April 15 at the Monticello Restaurant, located on Rte. 9 in Framingham. Plans are for a dinner dance, professional entertainment and corsages for the ladies.

Herb Berg, Supt. Pleasant Valley C. C., Sutton, Mass. was voted an associate member.

Applications for associate membership were received from:

Charles Gardner, Supt. Blue Rock C. C., So. Yarmouth, Mass.

Charles F. O'Lari, Jr., Supt. Edgewood C. C., Southwick, Mass.

Charles B. Lawrence, Supt. Blue Hill C. C., Sharon, Mass.

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The below listed by-law changes were approved as of February 3, 1964:

Article IV. Membership - add new paragraph number 7, to read as follows: As of January 6, 1964 a golf course owner, a club manager, or a golf professional, shall be considered as being not solely interested in golf course maintenance, therefore he is not eligible for membership.

Article VI. Election of Officers & Directors - Omit thirty days in the last sentence of section 1.

Article VIII. Committee-section 3 Duties and Responsibilities - number 2 Finance Committee - add a new paragraph to read as follows: A vote of two-thirds of the members present is required for approved of any expenditure not recommended by the Finance Committee.

President Butler appointed the following committee for 1964.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Leon St. Pierre
Anthony Carcani
John Callahan

EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE

Tom Curran - Chairman
Albert Allen

FINANCE COMMITTEE

George Rommell - Chairman
Arthur Cody
Bill Ash

GOLF

Edward Murphy - Chairman
William Carter
Leo Brown

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

Dick Blake - Chairman
Leon St. Pierre
John Callahan

EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE

John O'Connor - Chairman
Albert Allen

WELFARE COMMITTEE

Arthur Anderson - Chairman
George Rommell, Jr.
Clayton Daly
John Almonte

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Norman Mucciarone
Leon St. Pierre

TURF RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Albert Allen
Manuel Francis
Arthur Anderson

George Rommell, Finance Committee Chairman reported on the proposed budget of operation for 1964. This was unanimously approved by the membership present.

Prof. John A. Naegele, Head, Waltham Field Station was introduced. He comes from Cornell University and is a Professor of Entomology. He spoke briefly of station statistics.

- 142 Meetings per calendar year 1963
- 6,000 Approximate attendance at these meetings
- 4,500 Total attendance, open house
- 6,000 Personal visits requesting specific information
- 19,000 Phone calls for specific information
- 26,000 Pieces mailed

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Frank Morean representing Sawtelle Brothers showed a film on "The Cushman Truckster". This unit is equipped with 18HP Engine and has a low speed gear box giving the truckster a total of six speeds forward - the highest being 19 MPH. Because of the low speed gear box, the Cushman has a very high pulling capacity and maintains a constant speed on and down hills, which is very essential when it is used for spraying fairways, greens, tees etc. The truckster is equipped with a power-take-off and a tackometer, which is used to run both a Cyclone Spreader and a Sprayer. Frank believes that the Cushman Turf Truckster when equipped with these tools will save the golf course many hours of labor, in fact he is sure that the truckster will pay for itself in less than two years of operation. With these two new attachments, the Supt. has a tool which quickly and efficiently can be used to spray and fertilizer greens, tees, approaches etc.

The potentials of this machine are unlimited and during the next three or four years other attachments will be available, such as power top dressers, aerifiers etc., that will greatly reduce the labor problems found on the modern golf course.

WANTED — Golf courses for meetings during the month of May thru October 1964 - Interested Supts. contact Ted Murphy.

Next meeting Waltham Field Station March 2, 1964.

Directors meeting 10:00 A.M.

Business meeting 11:00 A.M.

Lunch 12:30 P.M.

Educational Program 1:30 P.M. - Prof. John C. Schread, Dept. of Entomology, University of Conn. "Insects and their control in relation to golf courses".

Turf Conference - March 5-6 - University of Mass., Amherst, Mass.
Ray Brigham a pastmember is recuperating at home with a broken leg and injured back.

Bruce Silver recuperating at Kent County Hospital, Warwick, R. I. after an operation.

Hope we'll see you up and around soon.

GOLF ACCIDENTS

A study of golf accidents has shown that there were more than 18,000 disabling accidents of all types on golf courses during 1962, compared with 15,000 for 1961.

The survey also revealed that 10,000 persons were struck by golf balls and that another nine percent of the injuries were caused by swinging clubs.

Heat prostration felled 10 per cent and overexertion disabled seven per cent.

Golf car accidents produced another seven per cent and the growing popularity of these vehicles and recklessness of their drivers may result in a sharp upturn in golf mishaps.

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The editor

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