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CAGCS ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Connecticut Superintendent's Association was held on Wednesday, November 3, 2010 at the Rock Ridge Country Club in Newton, Connecticut. The efficiently run meeting touched on all the committee's information and some of the highlights follow. CAGCS hired a lobbyist, Michael S. Dugan of Capitol Consulting LLC who is representing our interests in the current fight against stream flow regulations at the State Capital. We have been helped financially in a small part by our allied association and hopefully will have better support in the years going forward. Scott Ramsay, CGCS, The Club at Yale and CAGCS President John Garcia, The Patterson Club, have been instrumental in taking the lead to protect our water use.

Scholarship & Research gave out 20 scholarships this year. The S & R Tournament was a great success at Watertown Golf Club in May. Membership recognized six Life Members for their 30 years in CAGCS: William Carriere, James Carriere & Sons, Inc.; Michael Chrzanowski, Class A, Madison CC; Byron Johnson, Jr., Terre Co. of NJ; Brian Pope, Turf Products Corporation; David Vibber, Class A – retired; Thomas Watroba, Class A – retired. Twelve new members were voted in during 2010 and many pins were awarded for various years of membership.

Golf results: Two Man Team Champions: Heather Garvin & John Kaminski; Second Place: Eric Morrison, CGCS & Ward Weischet, CGCS; Third/Fourth: Keith Angilly & Andrew Fries, Kevin Collins & John Parmalee

CAGCS Championship: Two round total from the Mill River CC and Indian Hill CC meetings.

	Gross	Net
1st Flight	Marc Weston	
2nd Flight	Steve Curry	Kevin D'Amico
3rd Flight	Phil Neaton	Alexander Adaskaveg
Senior Flight		
Commercial	Ward Weischet, CGCS	Heather Garvin



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The New England Team Championship held at the Lake of Isle, North Course, Norwich, CT was WON by the Connecticut team. Thank you to George Harris for hosting the Championship.

The MET Team Championship, held at The Bridge, on Long Island, Connecticut Team came in Second place.

Superintendent/Assistant held at H. Smith Richardson GC; Gross: Les Kennedy, Jr., CGCS/Mike Guinan, Blind Brook Club; Net: Shannon Slevin/Joe McSherry, Pine Orchard Yacht & CC

President's Cup Trophy (Low Gross) at H. Smith Richardson GC: Les Kennedy, Jr., CGCS

McLaughlin Trophy (Low Net): John Napier, CGCS

Thanks were given by all the Committee Chairman to Mary Jo Kennedy for her assistance to the Membership throughout the year. Thanks were also given to the Commercial Members for their support of CAGCS events. It was a beautiful day and the golf was enjoyable.

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John Garcia

Happy New Year! I trust that everyone had a Happy and healthy holiday season. Now that we have turned the calendar and 2010 is officially in the rear view mirror, it's time to gear up for another season. I for one have my foot firmly on the gas pedal, and can't wait for the grass to start growing. Typically, winter is a time for relaxation and re-charging the preverbal batteries. However, on the heels of one of the more difficult summers in several decades, many in our business are re-evaluating their programs, concentrating on tightening up their agronomic practices, and taking in some additional educational opportunities. Hopefully, your clubs

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The President's Message

and owners continue to see the value in continuing education, and will allow you to travel to GIS in February and/or the New England Regional show in March.

As the turning of the calendar signifies a new beginning, our associations' newsletter is about to transition to a new beginning as well. Since 1998, Bob Chalifour, CGCS has served as Editor of the Connecticut Clippings, our fantastic quarterly newsletter. Bob's attention to detail, work ethic, wit, and good natured reporting have served our association very well for over 13 years. As the Board of Directors past and present know, Bob has been trying to "retire" as Editor for the past 2 years. We have pulled out all the stops to hold him hostage in that position, but it seems as if we've run out of options! Prior to taking over the Clippings, Bob served as Golf Course Superintendent at Shennecossett Golf Course, in Groton for 29 years. He also served on the Board of Directors from 1985-1993, including a two year stint as President. In 1996, Bob was recognized with our association's most prestigious

award, The Superintendent of the Year. All of this, and Bob maintains that he's only 42 years old!! Please make it a point to go out of your way to shake his hand and thank him the next time you see him. Bob has done a fantastic job representing our Association over the years, and he deserves our appreciation.

The duties and responsibilities of producing the Clippings will now be shared by the entire Board of Directors, with the Social and Welfare Chairman serving as the "point person". Steve Smith, CGCS is currently taking the challenge head-on, and Bob will continue to help as long as needed, to ensure a smooth transition. Of course Mary Jo Kennedy will also be a big part of the process. We would like to ask for continued and improved participation from all of YOU as well. Whether it be writing an article, passing along a good article from another publication, reporting a newsworthy event, or simply sending along pictures from an association event, your participation is important!

Best of luck on the new year....hope to see you all in Florida!

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GCSAA CONDUCTS ITS 2010 CHAPTER DELEGATES MEETING, OCT. 22-23-24

A total of 91 GCSAA chapters, represented by 87 delegates participated in a highly-engaging GCSAA Chapter Delegates meeting, Oct. 22-23-24. The meeting began with an orientation session for first-time delegates at GCSAA headquarters in Lawrence, Kan., followed by a networking reception and dinner. The meeting continued with solid discussion on a variety of subjects for two days at the Airport Hilton in Kansas City, Mo.

A Positive Experience

"Awesome is all I can say," said Larry Balko, CGCS at Park Ridge Golf Course in West Palm Beach, Fla. We had great discussion and learned about the outstanding work that is being done on behalf of the members. If a delegate did not leave with a greater appreciation for the association and its members, then they just weren't listening."

The meeting included an update on GCSAA including financial metrics, new association initiatives, GCSAA candidate presentations, a town hall question and answer session, and chapter case study presentations. The responsibility of a delegate at this meeting is to represent their members and to take back information to share with them.

"I received several comments from delegates indicating the meeting went well," meeting chair GCSAA Vice President Bob Randquist, CGCS at Boca Rio Golf Club in Boca Raton, Fla., said. "They came prepared to ask good questions and offer constructive feedback. The meeting is a key element of our governance system and the board and staff got a clear picture of what the members want from their association. At the same time, it allowed us as a board to share information that we need them to take back to their members. The meeting may have ended, but the process continues in pushing the information to all levels of membership."

Member Dues Increase Discussion

Certainly the most discussed item was a proposed GCSAA member dues increase which would take effect with May 2011 renewals and new member applications. Class A and SM dues would increase \$20 annually and Class C dues \$10 annually.

Proposed GCSAA member dues are established through a process that was created by the delegates that uses the Consumer Price Index as a guide. The members then vote upon the proposal at the association's annual meeting in February. The process calls for the association to consider a dues adjustment every two years as a means of ensuring a sustainable organization. The process is not automatic,

and the GCSAA Board of Directors may elect not to bring forward dues adjustments according to schedule. Such was the case last year when the board opted to forgo consideration of an increase. Randquist said the board supports a dues increase for 2011 because it represents an opportunity for members to help ensure the success of their career and their facility. Dues account for 27 percent of the GCSAA budget, which is below the average of 38 to 40 percent for associations of similar size.

"The board fully realizes raising dues in this current economic climate is difficult," Randquist said. "But we see this as a necessary investment by members. The increases allow us to make up the ground lost to inflation, which has been at 5.8 percent since our last dues increase three years ago. It allows us to continue to offer programs the members have deemed valuable to them and their facilities. We also believe the process developed by the members to implement dues increases does not create the hardship of larger increases in the past. Ultimately, the members determine whether the dues will increase or not by voting on the proposal in February."

Randquist noted that GCSAA has seen a decrease in revenues of \$5 million over the last three years due to a struggling economy, but proactive
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expense management by the board and staff has resulted in a reduction of expenses by \$5.4 million during that same period. GCSAA will have projected revenues of \$15.6 million by the end of 2010.

Field Staff Gains Traction

Popular with the delegates was the presentation of an expanded field staff program first announced earlier this year. The board has made public its desire to have all nine GCSAA regions staffed by a regional field staff representative as soon as possible. It is expected GCSAA will have five field staff employees by the end of 2010 (one at headquarters and four in the field), and seven by the end of 2011 (one at headquarters and six in the field). No timetable for staffing all of the regions has been created, but Randquist noted the success of the program has been duly recognized by the board.

The objective of the field staff program is to create a tie between chapters and GCSAA so that programs are utilized at a higher rate, communication is enhanced and membership is grown. The feedback from chapters who have utilized the program has been overwhelmingly positive.

Additional Discussion Items

- The search for a new GCSAA CEO was outlined. The position description has been posted on the GCSAA website and interviews are targeted for January 2011.
- Six chapters made presentation on programs they have instituted with the assistance of GCSAA resources in the areas of government relations, corporate partnerships, consolidation/sharing of resources and communications.
- New program initiatives in the area of web services, environmental programs, marketing communications, surveys and data and media public relations were shared.
- Considerable advancements were noted in the area of professional development resources with the new job board, self assessment tool and webcasting software.
- Outlined were new features for Conference and Show including education programs, networking opportunities and cost-saving options available to attendees.
- Candidate presentations for the offices of president, vice president and secretary/treasurer and a minimum of two and potentially three directors.

Presentations Available Online

The meeting's presentations are available online at <http://www.gcsaa.org/chapters/delegatemeeting.aspx>.



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March 7-10, 2011	NERTC	Providence
April 12, 2011	Tradition Golf Course At Wallingford	
June 13, 2011	Black Hall Club	
October 12, 2011	Pequabuck GC	Super/Assistant
November 7, 2011	Torrington CC	Annual Meeting



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To Jason Booth, CGCS; New Haven Country Club has successfully met all of the requirements in the GCSAA Certification program.

To the following members have been recertified in November with GCSAA:

Michael Marino, CGCS
Peter Burnham, CGCS
John Napier, CGCS

To Dory Tilton and Kevin Jaracy, Superintendent at Pequabuck Golf Club on the birth of Jake Dylan Jaracy, born December 7th 2010. He weighed 5lbs 3oz. and was 17.5 inches long.

Sierra & Sean Flynn, Superintendent at Great River Golf Club, on the birth of their daughter Erin Cody Flynn born on 1/1/11, weighing in at 7 lbs 2 ozs.

To Chris & Jamie Guilmette on the birth of their son Ethan Jamie, 9 lb. 11 oz. and 21 inches, on November 10, 2010. Chris is the Superintendent at Willow Brook GC.

Notes

The following is the information for the Nor'Easter Hospitality Room

Place - Rosen Centre Hotel, Orlando, FL
- In the Grand Ballroom E
Date - Wednesday February 9th, 2011
Time - 6:00 -10:00 pm.

Please note!! Dr. Joseph and Lonnie Troll will be in attendance this night. We look forward to seeing them! They live at The Villages in Florida and will be staying at the Rosen Centre Hotel. They are looking forward to seeing everyone.

Sincerely,
Bob Ruzala,
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http://www.umassturf.org/publications/fact_sheets/diseases/alt_PCNB.pdf

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Information concerning the 14th Annual New England Regional Turfgrass Conference and Show is just starting to come public as we head toward late Fall. With our first taste of cold weather and pucks flying around the Dunkin Donuts Center in Providence again, it seems appropriate to announce that our Keynote Speaker for 2011 will be an American Hockey Legend even more than 30 years after the fact. Mike Eruzione's hockey career peaked in popularity as captain of the 1980 US Olympic Team in Lake Placid, New York. After defeating the all-powerful Russian



Team in the semi-finals, where Mike scored the game-winning goal, the team went on to find a way to defeat Finland to win the Gold Medal! Sports Illustrated Magazine voted the win as the **#1 Sports Moment of the Century**. Mike currently works as Boston University's Director of Development for Athletics, has been a commentator for many Olympic Games for ABC and CBS Sports and is involved in Olympic Committee fund raising events. Many of our peers in New England are avid hockey fans, so we are hoping we will fill the room on Tuesday for Mike's presentation.

Each year we try to fill the needs of superintendents and turf managers with ½-day seminars that can be valuable to your everyday management needs. We are offering these 7 different seminars on March 7, 2011:

Maximizing Disease Control with Modern Fungicides-Dr. Lane Treadway, NCState.

Basic Excel 2003 Training for Turfgrass Managers, Tracey Adair-Derning

Water Conservation and Energy Efficiency Management for Golf Irrigation Systems

Back to the Basics: Strategies for Managing Turf in Extreme Years, Dr. Mitkowski (URI), Dr. Wick (UMass), Jim Skorulski (USGA)

Advanced Excel 2003 for Turfgrass Managers-Tracey Adair-Derning
Got Water? Water Conservation Issues in Turf-Dr. Ebdon & Dr. DaCosta (UMass)

CPR/AED Training and Recertification-American Safety and Health Institute

Tuesday will be another full schedule put together with the help of USGA Green Section Agronomist Jim Skorulski that will include for the first time live webcast presentations by USGA Green Section Members Jim Moore and Pat Gross! Also, a first at our turf show will be a three hour presentation for Sports Turf Managers titled Synthetic Turf: Issues, Trends and Management. "I never thought we would allow it, but it is a reality apparently!" Following our Keynote we will open the trade show from 4:30-7:30 for the 14th time!

Wednesday and Thursday will include a series of speakers from around the region concentrating on current challenges turfgrass managers are faced with from Summer Bentgrass Decline, Drainage, PGR's and Bio-stimulants, Disease Management, Weeds, and of course, Annual Bluegrass Weevils again! Hopefully you will be able to find a few new strategies to make the 2011 season better than some more recent years. The trade show will be going most the day Wednesday and Thursday Morning. Our successful show auction will take place again at 4pm Wednesday, with the popular Conference Reception sponsored by SYNGENTA and Harrells starting at 5pm. The third annual N.E. Turf Bowl will also take place Wednesday afternoon for students from UMass and URI competing for the third year.

The highlight of the week will be what we hope will be memorable event for a very long time. On March 9, 2011, the NERTF will host a dinner for Dr. Joe and Lonnie Troll to recognize them for their many years of dedicated service for the New England Turfgrass Industry. Joe and Lonnie have agreed to leave the warmth of Central Florida, for a short time and to journey to Providence to attend this event amongst some of their dearest friends. The dinner will take place in the R.I. Convention Center Rotunda and we hope to fill the area to capacity! Whether you are an UMass grad or not, we hope you will not miss this opportunity to spend some time with Joe and Lonnie. Turf connects all attendees that come to the New England Regional Turfgrass Conference and Show, and Joe and Lonnie have a lot to do with the sense of family that comes with our industry. This is an event you will regret if you miss it! So, please plan to attend! Registration forms will be out in December and the website will be up and running as soon as all arrangements and details are done!

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Chris Mauro, Highfield CC
Phil Neaton, Black Hall Club
Aaron Maher, New England Turf

2nd Gross – 32

David Conrad, Metro Turf Specialists
Scott Ramsay, CGCS, The Course at Yale
Stephen Curry, Shuttle Meadow CC
Ethan Tease, Black Hall Club

1st Net – 20

Marc Maxim, Candlewood Valley CC
Brian Pope, Turf Products
Ed Downing, New England Specialty Soils
Bob Chalifour, CGCS, Slater Farms

2nd Net – 22

Eric Morrison, CGCS, Shennecossett GC
John Garcia, The Patterson Club
Kevin Jaracy, Pequabuck GC
Chris Cowan, Atlantic Golf & Turf

Closest to the Pin Hole #5 – 20'10"
Alexander Adaskaveg, Rockledge GC

Closest to the Pin, Hole #9 – 5'2"
Ed Downing, New England Specialty Soils

Longest Putt, Hole #2 – 22'1"
Stephen Curry, Shuttle Meadow CC

Longest Putt, Hole #4 – 24'5"
John Garcia, The Patterson Club

Longest Putt, Hole #6 – 29'5"
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We lost our beloved father, Bernard Walter Kowalski, when he passed away peacefully at home Nov. 2, 2010, in Ormond Beach, Fla., at the age of 88.

Born in Bristol, May 20, 1922, he grew up in the community of Pequabuck. He worked as a caddy at the Pequabuck Country Club and learned to play golf, discovering a passion that would fuel a lifelong love affair. He became a gifted golfer and often won tournaments throughout his career, with the highlight in the 1994 Father-Son Tournament. Ben's talent for the sport even showed later as he continued to play and shoot his age or better in over 170 rounds. In fact, in his last 18-holes of golf, he shot an 84. Ben made five hole-in-ones.

He served this country in the Second World War as a medic in the Philippines where they set up tents at the Wack Wack Country Club. When the war ended, not only did he assist in the repair and redesign of the golf course, but he played there as well. Before being shipped overseas, Ben met the

girl of his dreams, Genevieve Lozinski at a Polish dance while on leave. They wrote during the war and fell in love. In 1946, they married and had three loving children. The family lived in Vermont, then Connecticut and eventually settled in Ormond Beach, Fla. He was a devoted husband and a wonderful father. Ben lost Genevieve in 2005.

As one might expect, Ben's career was focused around his passion where he worked as a golf course superintendent and country club professional. During which time, he assisted in the design and building of three golf courses in Connecticut and became the oldest surviving member of the Connecticut Golf Course Superintendents of America.

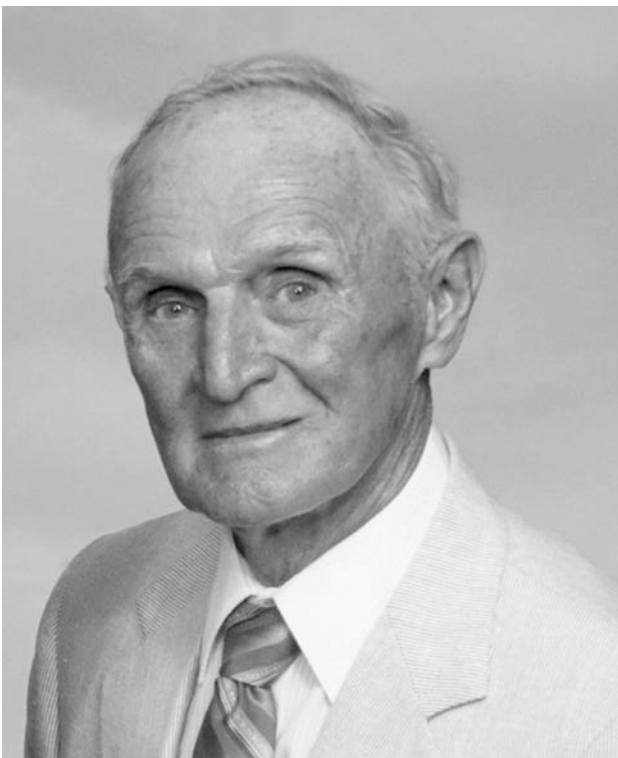
Ben is survived by his three children, Thomas, Natalie, and Janice, and one grandchild, Rea. He also is survived by his youngest sister, Sylvia Strelau and her husband, Fred, of Ocala, Fla. He is predeceased by his loving wife, Genevieve, as well as four brothers and four sisters.

A celebration of his life was held Saturday, November 20, 2010 at Riverbend CC in Ormond Beach, FL.

In lieu of flowers, the family encourages donations to Alzheimer's Disease Research, the disease that took his beloved wife. (donations accepted through the American Health Assistance Foundation, Clarksburg, MD; (800) 437-2423 or online).

My dad, Bernard Kowalski, who was your oldest member of CAGCS (1948) recently died on November 2. He was very PROUD of being the oldest member, and looked forward to Conn. Clippings in the mail. My dad was 88 years old. He started as a caddy at the Pequabuck Country Club

back when he was a teenager in 1937. In fact he won the Caddy Field Day in 1940. I have that trophy, one of hundreds he won, over his lifetime. Working there fueled a life time love of golf and the care of golf courses that would continue to the day he died. Ben worked at Chippanee Golf Course in Bristol from 1949 to 1960, at the Pine Valley Golf Course in Southington from 1960 to 1965 and at Burning Tree in Greenwich from 1966 to 1970's (?). He assisted in the design and built most of these courses, especially Pine Valley and Burning Tree and the back nine at Chippanee...I still have arrowheads he dug up there. I actually designed the flame and tree logo they still use at the Burning Tree CC. I remember the day my dad brought it in to show, they loved it. Too bad I didn't charge them for my services...ha. During WW 2, my Dad worked as a medic where they set up tents at the Wack Wack Country Club in the Philippines. When the war ended, he assisted in the redesign and repair of the golf course. All my dad ever talked about was golf....he had 5 hole-in-ones and could still shoot his age or better until the day he died. He shot an 84, just 1 day before he died. He was truly a gifted golfer and loved with a passion what he did in his life. Many people still remember my dad from the Connecticut area and his three brothers...they were known as the "Kowalski Boys".... (Edward, Lee and Pep) all went into the area of golf, because of growing up next to the Pequabuck CC. My dad married my mom, Genevieve Lozinski, and had three children, Thomas...who lives in Florida (outstanding golfer), my sister Janice and me...Natalie, we live in CA. Our mom died in 2005. I thought this would make a great story....about a man who centered his whole life around the area of golf, playing and caring for golf courses. I have some beautiful pictures of my dad also....he would be honored and so would his children, if he was mentioned in your Connecticut Clippings....he was a legend in his field....your oldest and most devoted member. He is so missed by us all.





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CARS OF YESTERDAY

I have had an interest in sports cars for most of my life. My dad unknowingly introduced me to cars at an early age. I clearly remember looking over his shoulder when I was a young boy as he tried to coax a little more out of his late 50's VW. My dad went on to own a Sunbeam Alpine, a Volvo 544, and a BMW 2002. It was the Sunbeam however that really got the juices flowing. I would spend a lot of time with dad when he went on house calls, (remember those?), watching him shift, double clutch, laugh like hell going through the corners... nothing like an English roadster, Spartan, functional and more than anything else fun.

I have been hooked on sports cars ever since and have owned four over the years, a 1969 MGB GT, a TR4, a BMW 2002 and most recently a 1973 Triumph Spitfire 1500. I am drawn to the English cars; for me they just seem to exemplify the reason for sports cars, inexpensive, close to the elements, relatively easy to work on and just plain fun!

I purchased the Spitfire in 1993 from a supplier who had it parked behind his supply house for quite a while. Each time I visited the warehouse, sometimes three times in a week, I would ask him if the car was for sale yet, he would always reply, "No it isn't"; after two or three months of this back and fourth he finally sold it to me for \$200. The 1973 Spitfire 1500 was in pretty sad shape but I thought, with some time and effort I could do something with it and if worse came to worse I could part it out and get a lot more than I paid for it.

And so it began...this project lasted the better part of five years with the majority of it being done outside in the elements, hidden from

prying eyes by a 6 foot stockade fence that became known in my family as "Fort Dan". I did the first parts of this project in the open and simply covered the old girl when we were not keeping company. When I finally got to the stage where she would roll and the elements became more of a concern I built a three sided garage and cut a section of the stockade fence to make swinging gates. Now for the finale stages I could roll her out to work on it.

The restoration involved a complete breakdown and rebuild of the car. I started by stripping the car of all its trim, interior and drive train. The transmission, engine and interior components went to my shop where I was able to store them and rebuild them in my off hours over the winter months. I reupholstered the seats there as well. The bonnet, trunk lid and doors followed suit later on. These were all stripped to bare metal repaired as needed and primed. This was all done a piece at a time over the five years of the project. The only thing I could not do was a machining of the head which I sent out for machining. In the end I rebuilt the engine substituting high performance valve springs, high performance cam and twin Su HS4 carburetors for original components as well as adding an additional oil feed line to the rocker arm assembly. The original transmission was replaced with a later model, more durable single rail transmission and Laycock J type overdrive which I found on ebay and rebuilt as time permitted. All the suspension and brake components were rebuilt or replaced with better than original as I made my way through the car.



The summers, as always, were busy at work and when time permitted, usually in the evenings, I tackled the frame and body work. This turned out to be way more involved than I had anticipated. I cut out, replaced and welded in new floors and inner and outer sills as well as some rot previously not visible.

Through this whole project my sons would all help and it kind of became a father and son project: they looking over my shoulder, an added benefit I did not count on. I painted the car in 1998 using British Leyland's Emerald Green color. I chose to paint the Spitfire myself simply because I had done everything else. Although the job came out fine I do not like doing body work at all, had I had the money I would have hired a pro.

When I started the Spit I wanted to keep everything close to original which I only deviated from slightly. The emissions requirements in the early 70's seriously depleted the performance of the Spitfire's engine as produced for the US market. With the changes I made, many of them using British Leyland's original ideas I was able to restore the car's desirable performance characteristics that the EPA had stripped from her, basically I reproduced what they were selling in the UK with the addition of a couple of extras to enhance this delightful little car.

The Old Girl has been a hobby since I bought her in 1993, although she is "finished" and is nothing but fun to drive, I like nothing better than to open the bonnet and have a seat on one of the front tires and tinker. I continue to work with the little 1500 CC engine, trying to coax just a little more out of her. My wife would say that the car is never finished; I prefer to think of her as a work in progress.

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In 1965 Kerr-McGee Chemical Company bought Hubbard Hall and Carl went on the road for them covering Rhode Island and Southeastern Massachusetts. In the Spring of 1967 Carl moved back to Connecticut to cover Eastern Connecticut. Then in 1968 Kerr-McGee sold off its' New England area and Carl embarked on a new job.

Carl started with the McGovern Company in 1968 and stayed for 23 years. The McGovern Company fell on hard times and was taken over by Double Eagle Equipment in 1991. Carl worked for them for 3 years until they moved back to New Jersey in 1994. Carl then found a job with R. F. Morse headquartered in Wareham, Massachusetts.

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Carl notes that the Turf Business has seen many changes in his 48 years in the business but the friends made were the best part.

Carl and his wife Mary Ann plan to move from their Condo in Rocky Hill, Connecticut to Parrish Florida, just outside of Bradenton. The CAGCS Board of Directors and Membership wishes you a long and healthy retirement.



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