

### **Dates to Remember**

April 6, 1983

GCSANJ Seminar, The Stimpmeter, Forsgate C.C., Jamesburg, N.J. Mike Dale and Chip Pfisterer, Hosts April 12, 1983

Linwood C.C., Linwood, N.J. Alan Beck, Host. Evan Lemley, speaker May 24, 1983

North Jersey Country Club (tentative), Jim Remo CGCS, Host, District 1 May 16-22, 1983

LPGA Chrysler-Plymouth Classic, Upper Montclair Country Club, Bob Dickison, GCGS, Superintendent

June 28, 1983

Essex Fells Country Club, Wayne Remo, Host, District 2

July 11-16

USGA Amateur Public Links Championship, Hominy Hill G.C., Dave Pease, Superintendent

July 21

Springdale Golf Club, Charlie Dey, Host, District 6

August 1983

The Bedens Brook Člub, Jim GIlligan, Host, District 5

August 8-13, 1983

USGA Junior Girls Championship, Somerset Hills C.C., Les Stout, Superintendent

August 15-20, 1983

USGA Women's Amateur Championship, Canoe Brook C.C. Skip Cameron, Superintendent

**September 27, 1983** 

GCSANJ Sixth Annual Invitational Tournament, Essex County C.C., John Schoellner, CGCS, Host District 2

October 4, 1983

GCSANJ Annual Field Day, Rutgers University

October 1983

Rumson Country Club (tentative), Charlie Cross, Host, District 7

# LPGA Back in New Jersey and the GCSANJ is Ready to Help

The LPGA is back in New Jersey on the week of May 16-22 at the Upper Montclair Country Club, Clifton, N.J. with the Metropolitan area Chrysler-Plymouth Dealers sponsoring the event. The ladies look forward to their return to our state and Upper Montclair after a year's absence.

Again, the GCSANJ will provide support by handling the transportation needs of the players and guests. This support has provided our Association with very positive results in the past, and will again in the future. Pete Busatti, tournament director, has been most cooperative by providing a GCSANJ representative sign at the very visible practice area, advertising the fact that the New Jersey Golf Course Supers are assisting the tournament, providing complimentary tickets for our wives, and

allowing our Association to present a plaque for his efforts to the host superintendent at the closing ceremony.

Your District Director will be contacting you with information on scheduling. If you have participated in the event before, you know how much fun it can be. If you haven't, make yourself available and look forward to a good time. We will only need your help one morning or one afternoon during the week. Of course, if you have more time, we can use that also. If you don't hear from your District Director, contact him. If that fails, contact Dr. Henry Indyk, 932-9453, Charlie Dey, 609-924-2180, or Ed Walsh, 652-1650. And remember, be ready to enjoy yourself!

## GCSANJ Seminar

**SUBJECT: The Stimpmeter** 

TIME: April 6, 1983 12 Noon Lunch

PLACE: Forsgate C.C., Jamesburg, New Jersey

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Peter Bisconti, Green Chairman, Westchester C.C.

Jim Warga, Golf Pro, Upper Montclair C.C.

Joe Flaherty, CGCS, Course Superintendent, Baltusrol G.C.

Dr. Ralph Engle, Rutgers University

NOTE: \$15.00 includes lunch and seminar

CONTACT: Mike Dale (261-7601), Chip Pfisterer (609-235-0150) or Henry Indyk (932-9453) for information.

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# President's Message

Bob Dickison CGCS



I would like to address this message to the support of our commercial people. As everyone knows, it is through their support of our newsletter that it is self-supporting. These suppliers make their effort in backing our newsletter, so in return, I believe that we as superintendents should make every effort to work with them.

I don't want this statement misinterpreted, I am not suggesting that people change suppliers or buy just from our supporters just because they are that. The point I am trying to make is that we give these commercial people every opportunity to make a good deal. Don't shut them out just because they aren't on your list of favorite people or their products aren't the right color. Give them all an equal chance, you might be surprised.

Not only do the commercial people have their goods to sell, they also provide us with good information on new products, problems that might arise in the industry, service and assistance with their products; they are a sounding board for new ideas, and keep us in touch with our fellow superintendents. Our commercial members are a very important part of our association, they are a strong part of the cohesiveness that keeps our association together.

### GCSANJ TEAM QUALIFYING INFO



The Fourth Annual Met Area Superintendent Association's Team Championship will be played at Grossinger's Hotel and Resort at Liberty, New York in 1983. The tournament consists of teams from the Long Island GCSA, Connecticut Association of GCS, Metropolitan GCSA, Philadelphia GCSA, Hudson Valley GCSA, and, of course, GCSANJ. We also anticipate the Pocono GCSA will be represented for the first time this year.

To qualify for the New Jersey team, you must be a A, B, B-1 or C member of the GCSANJ. You must play golf and enter a score in at least two monthly meetings. You must stay for the dinner portion of those

The two lowest scores of each player will be added and an average score will be developed. The lowest six average players, who are available on the tournament date, will qualify. The "Greener Side" will again sponsor the team.

### From the Editor's Desk



Anyone who looks toward the winter months for educational improvements has to be quite satisfied with 1983's offerings. The GCSAA's National Convention in Atlanta was, in my opinion, its best ever. The show attracted a record number of exhibitors and attendees. The educational sessions were well-developed and well-attended and the seminars offered were excellent.

Anyone who attended the opening session would have to agree Guy Vander Jagt set the tone for things to come with his key note address. Mr. Vander Jagt, the Republican Congressman from Michigan's 9th District, entertained and enlightened the audience with his positive opinions of our profession and the bright future of our country. The only thing disappointing about Mr. Vander Jagt is he isn't from the East Coast.

Andrew Young, Atlanta's mayor, welcomed us to his city and promised us Atlanta was ready, willing and able to provide us with the best in convention conveniences. Although memories of the last Atlanta convention were anything but positive, Mr. Young has got to receive the highest praise for exhibiting the great convention potential Atlanta has to offer and for eliminating the very visible problems many of us faced during our last visit

As always, politics played a big part in this year's convention. Although the present GCSAA's Board decisions and directions came under scrutiny from a group calling themselves "The Concerned Golf Course Superintendents," little, if any, problems arose from their questioning or statements. As a matter of fact, their questions made for some rather healthy discussions. Bob Mitchell, past GCSAA president (1972), represented the concerned group and handled the entire situation very professionally. Thanks to Bob and our present Board of Directors the discussions were viewed as an asset to our association rather than the liability they could have become. Show Time Magazine was a tremendous success this year. All attendees were kept abreast of conference events and the available activities Atlanta had to offer. It is my understanding that we even made a few dollars from the magazine's advertising income. After seeing Zahid and his staff each morning, I know a great deal of effort went into the success of this publication and their efforts were noticed. I personally praise them for a job well done.

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### **Our Only Bright Spots**





Although the GCSANJ entered two teams in the GCSAA National Golf Tournament at Myrtle Beach, S.C. this year, neither team did well. Total team scores were added together and handicaps deducted to arrive at net team scores. There is not enough space in this newsletter to add up our team scores but the McNally, Remo, Remo, and Schoellner team was a few (very few - less than 100) shots lower than the McGhee, Pullen, Finamore, and Walsh team. Our only bright spots (as suggested in the title) were Jim McNally and Steve (personality plus) Finamore. Jim finished as the third low net in his flight (I think it was black and blue) while Steve finished fifth in his flight.

While most of us were worrying about bad putting or hooking or slicing, John Schoellner put everything in the proper perspective when he suggested we all raise our handicaps by 10 strokes next year. Why does John have to make all those difficult decisions seem so easy. Big John, I am with

BY-LAW AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

Please Read and Understand This Proposal and Contact Your District Director with Any Questions

An item of extreme importance to the Executive Committee, and the Association. is the ability of the Board to function. During 1982 the Board was unable to act on numerous occasions because of a lack of a quorum. This resulted in an Association barely able to function and, in one instance. was grossly embarrassed by its inability to take action. This presents a burden to the Association and a tremendous inconvenience to the members of the Board who have taken time out of their busy schedules to attend a Board meeting only to be "ham strung" by a lack of a quorum.

Solely for this reason, a by-law proposal was presented at the 1982 Copper Hill meeting, but was, unfortunately, defeated. Your Board feels that the defeat was caused by a lack of knowledge of the requirements of the Association and the restrictions of the by-laws imposed upon the Board.

As President Dickison pointed out in his message in the last newsletter, the problem of securing an active Board is still present. The first step toward the development of an active Association and a functioning Board is the necessity to change the quorum requirement of the Board.

Therefore, the Board will put forth this

proposed amendment to the Constitution and By-laws.

Present: Article IV — Quorum

Section 2 - Executive Committee Meetings - At Executive Committee meetings, nine members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Proposed Amendment to Article IV -Section 2

Executive Committee Meetings - At Executive Committee meetings, a majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.

The proposed amendment will receive the first reading before the membership at the April meeting at Linwood C.C.

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# MEET OUR PATRONS



RICH HURLEY

Rich developed an early interest in golf when he caddied and played at the local courses around his native Neptune, New Jersey. After graduating from high school (1964), Rich entered Miami-Dade Junior College, Miami, Florida, where he was a member of the golf team. During the summers he returned to the Neptune area and worked on the maintenance staff of the

Jumping Brook Golf Club.

After his graduation from Miami-Dade, Rich entered the University of Rhode Island, majoring in Plant and Soil Science. He received his B.S. in 1970 and returned to U.R.I. and finished his M.S. in 1972. In 1973, Rich accepted the position of Golf Course Superintendent at the Tavistock Country Club, Haddonfield, N.J. He remained at Tavistock until 1977 when the Lofts Seed Company offered him the position of Vice President and Director of Research and Agronomy.

In 1978, Rich started work toward his Ph.-D. in Soils and Crops at Cook College, Rutgers University under the direction of

Dr. C.R. Funk.

Although his responsibilities at Lofts continually increased, Rich was able to complete his Ph.D. in December, 1982.

Other than the conventions and conferences, the Golf Course Superintendents in New Jersey haven't seen much of Rich since he left our ranks, but he insists that will change. "I will make as many GCSANJ monthly meetings as I possibly can this year," Rich suggested during a recent conversation. I hope his schedule will allow him to attend all of them. His experience and talent will be an asset to us all.

Rich and wife Pat live in Flemington, N.J. where they are active members of the Copper Hill G.C.

### **Commercial Clippings**

Marty Futyma has taken over ownership and operations of the turf supply division of the Fertl-Soil Company. The new company will be called Fertl-Soil Turf Supply, Inc. Fertl-Soil Company will continue to manufacture Fertl-Soil Bio-Dressing and other related products and Marty will be the exclusive sales agent in the New Jersey area for these products. Best of luck Marty in your new venture.

# Letter to the Editor

Dear Ed:

Many, many thanks for the ink you gave the old man in the Jan.-Feb. issue of The Greener Side.

It's really a humbling experience to be included with the great names of those previously honored. I really don't know what I did to deserve it!

It was always great experiences to work with golf course superintendents everywhere . . . and a piece of the award belongs to all you great guys on the ''firing line'' who taught me so much about the profession.

Always the best . . . with renewed thanks . . . and keep it all a healthy green!

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Radko

P.S. You all are doing a very fine job with The Greener Side . . . I enjoy reading it . . . and keeping up with what's going on.

Dear Ed:

During these past few months, I have had the pleasure of reading "The Greener Side" as I believe some type of honorary recipient of this magazine. It gives me a chance to keep in touch with what goes on in other regions and to satisfy my curiosity on what is happening out there in the East. I thank

you for this courtesy.

With the slower winter season, I now have time to comment upon one of your past "From the Editor's Desk" columns. It was the one about the poor quality of Izod socks. You know, when I read that article, I kind of chuckled and remembered the days when a pair of Izod socks would outlast just about anything. Heck, when my father retired a few years ago, he still had some Izod socks from the time he was a pro-supt in West Virginia. When he specialized and became a full-time superintendent, he obviously had to close his shop, selling out all the soft goods that he could. He was left with some strange colored socks . . . you know, the yellow ones, orange ones, purple ones, that just never seem to sell. I guess that's why whenever you saw my Dad, he sometimes was wearing peculiar colored socks! It's not that he was color-blind or had bad taste . . it's just that these were left over from the days when he was a pro-supt, the damn things never wore out, and being a frugal Polock, he just didn't have the heart to throw them away. One nice thing was that after innumerable washings, they did fade and the colors blended to pastels.

Knowing his track record for Izod socks, I have, from time to time, purchased them or if lucky enough to win them at the monthly superintendent's meetings. In the past few years, however, I haven't purchased any (after moving out here, I haven't had an opportunity to find golf professionals who give me a discount or I have played so poorly at those superintendent meetings I have attended that I haven't won anything!) until this summer when I purchased five pairs of black Izod socks with the alligator at the top. When I brought

them home . . . wore them for the first time (I had to wear shorts to show off the alligator), boy, were my wife and my neighbors ever impressed. However, the excitement soon wore off when, after the first washing, one of the alligators came off! That's right, the little sucker was literally hanging on by a thread and came off with the gentlest of tugs. Fortunately, my wife had the foresight to keep the alligator, sew it on a cheap K-Mart knit shirt and give it to my father-in-law.

Boy was I ever depressed . . . I buy the socks for the status of the alligator and the darn alligator comes off in the wash.

What makes the story worse is that after approximately six washings, one alligator is shifting (it hasn't come off, it's just moved from the side of the sock to the back-can't wear that pair with shorts anymore!) and two of the other pairs are beginning to unravel from the top. Needless to say, I am thoroughly disgusted with my Izod socks and I join you in complaining about the quality.

The only difference is that I cut my toenails on a regular basis and don;t have to worry about your problem of long toenails working through the fabric. As a consultant, I can say that if you clip your toe nails on a regular basis, Ed, you probably won't have this problem. See what being a consultant will do for you . . . we even make suggestions on how to extend the longevity of your deteriorating Izod socks!

Seriously, I enjoyed your column on Izod socks and thought I'd follow it up with this letter after my five pairs of status symbols literally began to come apart. I've got it . . . I know why my alligator came off and my second is migrating . . . they just don't want to be associated with the cheap, low-quality products they are selling now.

Sincerely, Stan Zonteck North Central Director USGA Green Section

### National Delegate Report

The annual meeting of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America was held on February 24, 1983 at Atlanta, Georgia.

The results of business transactions and elections are as follow:

Dues — A dues increase to \$145.00 for the year 1983-84 was approved.

Amendments to By-Laws — Amendments concerning chapter affiliation were approved by a vote of 2647 to 366.

Elections — Robert Osterman, CGCS, was elected President by a unanimous vote.

Jim Timmerman, CGCS, was elected

Vice President.

Don Hearn, CGCS, and Rich Slivinski,
CGCS, were elected to two-year terms as

Directors.

-Dave McGhee, Delegate

# Ask: Willet Wilt



This month's column was originally going A: Paint a double yellow line around the to be "The Best of Willet Wilt." But after going over all of Willet's answers to our readers since 1981, we realized that none of them were any good. Therefore, we are going to let Willet make ridiculous answers to some new turf questions from our astute readers.

- Q: Our golf course is plagued with extremely small greens and no money. What would you suggest we do? C.G.C.S., Far Hills, N.J.
- A: Your greens would appear bigger if you used five foot poles and smaller flags.
- Q: Golf carts have been destroying our turf in the summer heat by criss-crossing our fairways. What can I do to keep the carts off the fairways? B.J., Vauxhall, Mt. Freedom, N.J. 07970.

outside edge of your fairways. W.W.

- Q: I recently read in the Golf Course Management magazine that golf and croquet can and do share common ground. Is this true? D.M., Rutherford.
- A: Not unless they make croquet balls smaller or golf cups bigger. W.W.
- Q: Catfish have over-propagated my irrigation pond. What should I do? D.P.. Lincroft, N.J.

A: Include salt peter with your next algaecide spraying on the pond. W.W.

If you have a question you would like answered by Willet, write it out in crayon with letters at least 2 inches high and mail it to Willet Wilt, c-o Ken Kubik, P.O. Box 336,

### How to Ruin Your Day!

A 180-pound man, playing 18 holes of golf, will use 850 calories if he carries his clubs and 760 calories if he pulls them. However, each glass of beer at the clubhouse puts back on about 150 calories.

Credit - ASPA Management Letter Vol.

12. January 15, 1983.

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One year, started caddy master at private 36-hole club. Three years owner-operator of Golf Equipment Sales and Repair Shop. Four years mechanic and spray man on two private 18-hole clubs.

### EDITOR'S DESK

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Many people don't realize it, but that publication will be a big selling point to any and all future convention sites.

The week culminated with the banquet on Thursday night. The main event was the presentation of the Old Tom Morris Award to Arnold Palmer. The award will be presented annually to the person who's tireless dedication to the game of golf exemplifies that of Old Tom Morris. From the golf course superintendents' standpoint, who else could have been our first recipient.

The convention was not only a great experience but an opportunity to view our GCSAA staff in action. The annual improvements in our national conference are a direct result of their professional capabilities. Hopefully, we will all agree we couldn't be in better hands. Assist, cooperate and direct them and our future is

very, very bright.

It was home for a few days before leaving for the Massachusetts Turf Conference in Springfield, MA. Dr. Joe Troll put together one of his finest conferences with a wide range of speakers and topics. Our own Dick Bator (new super at Pine Valley) talked about job interviews. Obviously, Dick's record shows he's well qualified, having moved from one of the finest courses in the country (Oak Hill C.C., Rochester, NY), to one of the finest in the world. Many New Jersey supers made the trip to Springfield and all thought the venture a worthwhile one.

The Penn State Conference ran in conjunction with the Mass show and also got rave reviews. As expected, most of the New Jersey supers who attended the Penn State Turf school attended that conference while the U of M grads were at Springfield.

Without question, 1983's winter educational opportunities have gotten our minds and bodies ready for the challenges ahead.

Some District 4 Superintendents and their mechanics attended an excellent seminar on grinding at the Storr Tractor facility in North Branch. After the hands-on seminar, there was a brief district meeting and lunch.

In February the Hunterdon County Extension Service held a Pesticide Seminar attended by six District 4 Superintendents. There were four core credits available and Mark Robson gave an excellent talk on pesticide safety.

A combined District 4 and 7 golf outing is tentatively scheduled for sometime in

March.

On January 27th a group of District 7 superintendents and assistants ventured up to the Lofts Seed Company facilities for a

tour of their operation.

A slide show was given on perennial ryegrass with Rich Hurley pointing out what great strides perennial ryes have made since Manhattan was first introduced in 1967. After the slide show, Rich gave a tour of the warehouse and seed blending machines. Special thanks to Rich Hurley for donating his time.

Charlie and Lynda Cross, Rumson C.C., are the proud new parents of a baby girl, Gretchen. born February

Congratulations!

Bob Duncan, did you meet any interesting people while golfing in South Carolina?

Gene Mack, Shark River Golf Course, will be breaking ground on a new automatic irrigation system in the spring. Good luck, Gene.

Hominy Hill Golf Course, along with hosting the 1983 USGA Men's Public Links Championship in July, will also host a qualifying round of the PGA Long Driving contest in May. Dave "Popcorn" Pease and Bruce "Putt-Putt" Peeples are scheduled to enter the event.

Hollywood Golf Club will be starting major clubhouse landscaping renovation

this spring.

The Ali Wai Golf Course, in Honolulu, Hawaii, which will host the 1983 USGA Women's Public Links Championship, did an amazing 182, 192 rounds of golf last year.

The District 8 February meeting was held at the Moorestown Field Club. Chip Pfisterer was the host superintendent and the meeting was well attended.

The March District 8 meeting was held at the Riverton C.C. on March 22nd. Bernie Stuck was the host superintendent. Craig Dear, the owner of the Blackwood G.C. spoke at the meeting.

Craig Reinhardt, formerly superintendent at Pine Valley Golf Club, is now residing in Sarasota, Florida. Best of Luck in your future endeavors, Craig.

The new superintendent at the Pine Valley Golf Club is Dick Bator, formerly superintendent at the Oak Hill C.C. in Rochester, N.Y. Best of luck Dick!

Sabby DeFalco is doing fine after his recent operation. During a recent phone

call Sabby suggests this will probably get his handicap up where he can make a few bucks when he returns. Leave it to Sabby to turn a discomforting situation into profit.

Dennis and Debby Shea are expecting

child no. 3 in September.

Renovation of Florham Park Country Club by the Morris County Parks System will begin this spring, with Rees Jones assisting. Flanders Valley new nine will be completed this year. Rees Jones is involved in that project also (no wonder I can never get him at his office). Tom Murphy has honed his tennis skills this winter and is looking for Ken Kubik.

Musical chairs: Wayne Foster from Roselle to Rockaway River, Jerry Schoonmaker from private business to Alpine, Joe Kennedy, Assistant at Ridgewood, to Roselle, Dick Bator from Oak Hill (Rochester, N.Y.) to Pine Valley, Dennis Wagner from Trenton to private business in Virginia, Les Mickens from Passaic County to Scranton, Pa., Jerry Fountain from Spring Meadow to Trenton, and Jack Martin from 178 to 210 lbs.

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### "The Greener Side" Recognized Again by GCSAA in '82

At the opening session of the GCSAA Convention in Atlanta, the Greener Side's editor, Ed Walsh, was honored for having one of the Overall Best Chapter Newsletters for 1982. This is the third year in a row that Ed Walsh has been honored by the national organization for overall excellence in the producing of the Greener Side.

In April of 1982, the National Golf Foundation recognized Ed Walsh and the Greener Side for excellence in golf jour-nalism. This added to the positive acceptance of the newsletter in the golfing industry. A sign of its success is that for the past three years advertisers have had to be turned away because of over-subscription.

In an interview with Ed, he stated that his initial goal for the Greener Side was to serve as a communication tool for the Association. As for present and future goals, Ed wants the newsletter to continue to improve for both the readers and patrons. When Ed was asked about the time required by the newsletter, he estimated that he probably averages twenty-five manhours per newsletter. This does not include the hours spent by the other members of the Greener Side staff; Wayne Foster, photographer; Wees Goosman, illustrator; Charles Cross, special projects; and Ken Kubik, advertising. Some of the staff in the past included Jerry Schoonmaker, Mike Hannigan and Dennis DeSanctis.

why he put in all this time. He feels the Greener Side is good for the Association and for him. His biggest headache has been the lack of response from some of the Districts for local news. The most rewarding aspect

### **Board Notes**

March 10 Upper Montclair C.C. Five new members were accepted at this

meeting. They are:

Mathew J. Ceplo, B-1, Ridgewood C.C.; Christopher P. Whelan, B-1, Hollywood C.C.:

Joseph F. Kunkel, B-1, Roxiticus G.C.; J. Calvin Reid, C, Reid Sod Farm; Ronald N. Olsen, C, Pocono Turf Supply

John Boyer, Superintendent at Seaview C.C., had his classification changed from B to A.

The making of a video tape showing the preparation that is necessary to get a golf course ready for a major tournament is being planned. It will be done at the Upper Montclair C.C. as Bob Dickison and his crew get ready for the L.P.G.A. It is hoped that it can be shown on TV during the tournament

Bob Dickison and Ed Nickelsen will meet with the U.S.G.A. along with some other superintendents from Northeast to discuss how there could be better communication and how they could help the superintendents more.

The M.G.A. is going to set up a Greens Committee. It will consist of two Superintendents and one Greens Chairman from the New Jersey Association, Metropolitan Association, Long Island Association, and Connecticut Association.

## U.S. Leads World in Golf Courses, Golfers

NORTH PALM BEACH, FL - Did you realize that there are more golf courses in the United States — 13,013 — than in the rest of the world combined?

Did you know that there are more golfers in the U.S. than the rest of the world altogether?

Those are two results of a list compiled by the National Golf Foundation, which found there are an estimated 21,000 golf courses and 30 million golfers in the world.

As of January 1, 1983, there were 13,013 golf courses and 17.6 million golfers in the United States. Those figures were compiled by the NGF, with the number of golfers including "casual" players who play less than 15 rounds a year.

Listed below are figures supplied to the Foundation by 14 golf associations in foreign (non-U.S.) countries, indicating the number of courses and golfers. Among the countries whose official figures have yet to be received are Germany, Spain, Mexico, and those in Africa and South America. The estimated number of golf courses and golfers in the world is, therefore, conservative.

	COUNTRY	GOLF COURS	SES	GOLFERS
1.	United States	13,013		17,600,000
2.	Great Britain (& N. Ireland)	2,035		1,128,469
3.	Australia	1,324		350,000
4.	Canada	1,140		
5.	Japan	1,200		10,000,000
6.	Scotland	444		600,000
7.	New Zealand	380		120,000
8.	S. Africa	360		60,000
9.	Argentina	250		
10.	Sweden	162		101,000
11.	Korea	83	(incl. 58 ranges)	160,000
12.	Italy	68		14,859
13.	Netherlands	36		15,000
14.	Switzerland	28		8,000
	TOTAL	20,523		30,157,328

of the Greener Side, Ed felt, is the positive way it has been received. This article appears in the twentieth newsletter Ed has edited, totaling 192 pages - enough for a

good size book. Ed has produced a newsletter of which both he and the New Jersey Golf Course Superintendents can be proud. - Ken Kubik





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