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It's May, It's Upper Montclair and It's the LPGA

National and local golfing interests will focus their attention once again on New Jersey during the week of May 14 when Upper Montclair Country Club will serve as a tour stop for the Lady Professional Golfer Association (LPGA). Sponsored as the Chrysler-Plymouth Charity Classic, the week-long activities will include a Youth Satellite Tournament and a Celebrity Pro-Am Tournament of 224 amateurs golfing with such celebrities as Joe DiMaggio, John Gambling, Yogi Berra, Kyle Rote, and Phil Rizzuto as preliminary events to the 54-hole professional classic. In the professional event, Pat Bradley will be defending her 1983 Championship title against a field of 125 touring golf professionals. Bill Peto, General Chairman, stated, "The Tournament has created excitement in the world of golf."

The Upper Montclair course, having served as the site for LPGA Tournaments in 1979, '80 and '83 will be a familiar layout for many of the returning veteran lady professionals. Additionally, they recognize not only the challenges of the course but also the superb playing conditions provided by Bob Dickison, the Golf Course Superintendent, in keeping with the high standards of golf play for which Upper Montclair is known.

The lady professional golfers have expressed a deep sense of satisfaction from participation in the Classic in New Jersey. Impressed not only with the superior play conditions of the golf course but also with the gallery and many courtesies extended to them, they have spoken very favorably of this stop in their tour. One of the specific courtesies enumerated very frequently and highly was the transportation service rendered by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of New Jersey.

Last year at Upper Montclair Country Club and each year since 1977, the Golf Course Superintendents Association has provided approximately 30 volunteering Superintendents to

serve on the Transportation Committee during the week of the Tournament. Each year's experience gained from serving on the Transportation Committee seems to fortify and strengthen our convictions on the worthiness of this effort. Perhaps the foremost benefit has been the opportunity to meet and converse with the lady professional golfers. As a result, they have gained a better insight and appreciation as to the individual who has the responsibility for the grooming of the golf course. Conversely, the

Superintendent has obtained a better understanding of the attitudes of a professional golfer toward play conditions.

Each year, an opportunity is provided to recognize the host Golf Course Superintendent during the closing ceremonies on the 18th Green at the conclusion of the Tournament. Last year, Dr. Henry W. Indyk, Executive



Pat Bradley, Chrysler-Plymouth Charity Classic Defending Champion

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Dates to Remember

May 14-21, 1984

LPGA Chrysler-Plymouth Classic, Upper Montclair C.C., Clifton, N.J., Bob Dickison CGCS, Supt.

May 23, 1984

GCSANJ Monthly Meeting, Haworth C.C., Haworth, N.J., John Emmolo, Host

June 14-17, 1984

U.S. Open Championship, Winged Foot Golf Club, Mamaroneck, N.Y., Sherwood Moore CGCS and Bob Alonzi, Supts.

June 28, 1984

GCSANJ Monthly Meeting, Essex Fells C.C., Essex Fells, N.J., Wayne Remo, Host

July 19, 1984

GCSANJ Monthly Meeting, Fairmont C.C., Chatham, N.J., Bob Ribbans, Host

August ?

Family Picnic - Tentative, John Fenwick and District 4, Host

September 21, 1984

Seventh Annual GCSANJ Invitational Championship, Canoe Brook C.C., Skip Cameron, Host

October 2, 1984

6th Annual Met Area Superintendent Association's Team Championship, Wilmington C.C., Montchanin, Delaware, Dave Kroll CGCS, Host

October 2, 1984

GCSANJ Field Day, Rutgers University

October 18, 1984

GCSANJ Championship, Navesink C.C., Middletown, N.J., Angelo Petraglia, Host

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We Must Educate the Public

I want to take this opportunity to alert you of some pending legislation in Trenton. Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find a governmental relations report on more action taking place in Trenton regarding golf courses and Country Clubs. Bills that have been introduced in the state Senate (S-1342) by Senator Raymond Lesnick (D-Union) and Assembly (A-1536) by Assemblyman Steven Aduato (D-Essex) are bills are designed to further restrict the use of pesticides and rewrite the rules that govern the DEP pesticide regulations.

This legislation will have far reaching effects on us in that it would restrict the treatment of turf, trees, shrubs and water ways on the golf course, clubhouse and restaurant pest control and swimming pool treatments. Many of the improvements in which we have come to depend upon in the recent years in regard to fungicides, insecticides, herbicides and algicides will be taken from us.

Over the years chemical treatments of turf, trees, shrubs, water ways and other items on the golf course have become very sophisticated and exacting. With the advent of our present pesticide regulations the application of these chemicals has greatly

President's Message

Bob Dickison
CGCS



upgraded. I believe that the present regulations provide a good tool for both the DEP and pesticide applicators. The new legislation will not only tie our hands but also limit the effectiveness of the DEP.

Your association along with the lobbyist we share with the State Golf Association is working in consort with a coalition of other industries which also will be affected by this legislation. Others affected by this legislation are Farmers, Nurserymen, Arborists, Exterminators, Hospitals, Motel-Hotel Operators just to name some who will find it hard to do business in the future.

This is more than illconceived legislation by misguided legislators, it is an assault on us by amateur environmentalists. These people have a closed mind on the subject of the environment, but hopefully we can educate the general public to the fact that chemicals are a much needed tool in today's society. Remember when dealing with the Golf Course environment we are the professionals.

Understand the Criticism — Play Golf

Someone once asked me what I thought was the most important responsibility I had to my job. My answer was playing golf. After a slight chuckle the question was again asked and again my reply was the same. At this point the questioner realized my response was totally serious (sometimes not easily detected when talking to me).

There's no question we must be effective communicators, personnel managers and agronomists but the bottom line is we prepare a golf course for play. How better to understand the needs and desires of our members than to experience the conditions and situations they do when playing.

How often have you felt your course was in pretty good condition to hear someone criticize it because there was too little sand in one bunker or the rough was a little long or one ball washer wasn't functioning properly. Only by playing golf will you put yourself in a position to understand and more importantly recognize those criticisms as justifiable.

We all know supers who provide excellent conditions for their members who don't play regularly or at all but I guarantee I can name 25 who do for every one that doesn't.

I am not suggesting you must be a low handicap player to understand the needs of your club but you must be an active player. Make a commitment to yourself to play

From the Editor's Desk



your own club once a week for one month. After that month evaluate your own knowledge of your course. See if you haven't actually become a better superintendent for those efforts. You may even find yourself understanding those comments your members make about the course.

You owe it to yourself to try. After all, those members are paying the tab.

MISTEAKS

Some people only read this publication to look for them. We purposely put them in here to accommodate those few. We do aim to please.

LPGA Continued from p. 1

Director of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of New Jersey, presented an attractive plaque to Bob Dickison in recognition, by his peers, for his efforts in grooming the golf course. Additional recognition and publicity was gained through the efforts of Peter Busatti, Tournament Director, in the production of a film on grooming the golf course by the Golf Course Superintendent and TV time on closed circuit TV. Aside from the benefits, the Superintendents who volunteered their services contributed, through their efforts, to very worthy charities and also enjoyed the opportunity to see a lot of good golf play.

Once again, Tournament Director Busatti, has extended an invitation to the Golf Course Superintendents Association of New Jersey to participate in the 1984 Classic as the Transportation Committee, co-chaired by Frank Sweeney and Jane Widmark. Your Association has responded favorably to the invitation and will be taking an active part in this national Tournament. In the near future, your District Director will issue a call for volunteers. Your cooperation in responding to his call is requested. Volunteering your services even before he issues the call will make his job much easier. For those who participate, you can be assured of an enjoyable and interesting experience.

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Meet Our Patrons



Andy and Bob Moore Demie (Moore) Powell

Andy, Demie and Bob are the more familiar faces associated with Aquatrols Corporation of America located in Pennsauken, NJ. Bob is President with a chemical engineering background; Demie is VP Marketing with an economics degree; an Andy is Sales Rep at large with a degree in Agronomy-IPM. Aquatrols is 30 years old, with Bob being one of the initial principals and the formulator of Aqua-GRO. Demie and Andy have been with Aquatrols for 6 and 2 years respectively.

Less visible, but no less valuable at Aquatrols are Tracy Moore, financial manager (yes, the same Moore as the rest of them.); Niki Holroyd, general manager; Pat Holroyd (Niki's son), production manager; Lois Pinkerton, now working as Demie's right hand; Pat Parsons who handles most inquiries now; and Debbie Schenck, our lab tech who handles Q.C. and any product problems. Without these folks, there wouldn't be much substance to Bob, Demie and Andy's activities.

Aquatrols business is primarily concerned with water management in all areas of specialty agriculture -- from golfcourse to greenhouse to interior landscaping (to name a few). Their primary effort all those years has been the establishment of soil

wetting agents as valid "rootzone water management tools" -- and, more recently, they've introduced a transpiration minimizer as a "leaf surface water management tool". Aquatrols feels that efficient management of this most precious, and still often neglected, resource is vital to the survival of our industry. Besides that, managing water better solves lots of turf management headaches.

Aquatrols personnel are members of GCSAA and numerous state turf associations as well as several national and state horticultural associations. They put out GCSANJ's District 8 "District 8 Update" and Andy is a fairly regular attendee of those meetings. (We try to make state meetings too.)

Bob, wife Bobbie (a regular at the GCSAA Nat'l), Tracey and Andy all live on a farm in Gloucester County. Demie, and husband Russ, now reside in center city Philadelphia.

Believe it or not, they have lots of interests besides Aquatrols' business. Outdoor activities, horses, golf and church is probably a good nutshell list of those interests. They have been, are and will continue to be happy supporters of the Greenside.

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5-Gang Jake Blitzer, units with frames, contact Les Mickens CGCS, Elmhurst C.C., Moscow, PA 717-842-4705, can be delivered.

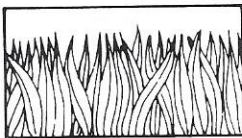
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GCSAA News

The Golf Course Superintendents Association of America and the United States Golf Association have joined together in a joint effort to raise funds to support turfgrass research.

GCSAA supports the unprecedented research project initiated by USGA to develop and produce quality golf turfgrass that will thrive with minimum water and maintenance. GCSAA President James W. Timmerman, in a message to superintendents, said, "Accelerated research leading to the development of grasses that are drought tolerant, less costly and easier to maintain are crucial to golf's survival."

The first phase of this research is being implemented in 1984 through a \$332,000 commitment by the USGA. Over the next ten years, \$5 million will be needed to accomplish this much needed research.

GCSAA and USGA are jointly urging their members and all others interested in the future of golf to contribute to this research to insure that green golf courses and the game of golf will always be a part of our lives.

"It is really important to us in working with GCSAA on this joint project. It is the greatest cooperative effort ever between USGA and GCSAA - it is truly a new era. The joint project is important, not only to us, but the cementing force is what it will bring to the future of golf," so said William H. Bengeyfield, National Director, USGA Green Section.

The members of the Baltusrol Golf Club, Springfield, N.J., felt so strongly about this research and fund raising effort that each

member will donate \$2.00 annually to the USGA Turfgrass Research Program. A jointly-signed letter by GCSAA President James W. Timmerman and USGA President James R. Hand has been sent to all golf clubs via the golf course superintendent urging each to consider donating funds to this vital research program in much the same manner as the Baltusrol Golf Club.

The USGA Green Section's Turfgrass Research Committee developed the plans and recommendations for this Turfgrass Research Program. GCSAA's Associate Executive Director James C. Prusa, CGCS, is a member of this committee.

Individuals or organizations interested in supporting turfgrass research may wish to contact Mr. Don Spencer, USGA Golf House, Far Hills, N.J. 07931 for further details on this joint effort.



"Does anyone really miss me?"

Common Sense vs. Nonsense

"It's unwise to pay too much, but it's worse to pay too little. When you pay too much, you lose a little money - that is all. When you pay too little, you sometimes lose everything, because the thing you bought was incapable of doing the things it was bought to do. The common law of business balance prohibits paying a little and getting a lot - it can't be done. If you deal with the lowest bidder, it is well to add something for the risk you run, and if you do that you will have enough to pay for something better."

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'84 NJPGA Spring Golf Show

On March 26, 1984, the GCSANJ participated in the Annual NJPGA Golf Show. A booth was provided by the PGA (gratis) and members of our Association manned the station throughout the day and evening.

Two old hand greensmowers (Ransome, Pa.) were on display and a slide presentation was given through the use of a portable TV-like projector. We also raffled off three golf related books which also drew considerable attention to our booth.

We would like to thank the NJPGA and particularly George Sauer, NJPGA Director of Education, and Golf Pro at Ramsey G.C., and Steve Jubb, NJPGA Executive Director, for their invitation and cooperation. Let's hope this can become an annual event for the GCSANJ and that we can reciprocate by asking the NJPGA to attend our Field Day.

My personal thanks to Bruce Cadenelli for arranging the slide presentation and to Bob Matthews, Dave Pease, Steve Cadenelli, Jim Snow (USGA), Bill Shelton (GCSAA), Jeanne French, Ray Korbobo and Pete Rappoccio for allowing us to use some of their slide collections. They were a big hit.

I also want to thank the members of our Association who participated in this year's show by giving their time at our booth; Charlie Cross, Bruce Cadenelli, Wayne Ballinger, Jack Martin, Skip Cameron, John Ward, Henry Indyk, Wayne Foster and Bob Ribbans. Jim Gilligan gave an excellent talk on preparing a golf course for play "The Basics". Jim's talk was well received and it was my feeling the audience now has a better idea of the importance the golf course superintendent places on the very basic management operations such as changing cups, mowing greens, and raking bunkers. Bob Dickison was introduced as our President and also spent time in the booth talking to the large crowds that visited the show. A special thanks to my side kick Charlie Cross. Charlie had a banner designed for our Association and covered every base I seemed to leave open. It is encouraging to see the talent this Association has in its present membership. I don't think we have anything to worry about if the Charlies and Bruces are ready to take an active roll, and we know they are.

New Jersey Golf Course Supts.!!

We have a renewal of a state wide FAMILY PICNIC in the works. However, we need some input from YOU!! Would you send some of your ideas as to activities, food, refreshments, etc.? More importantly we need an idea of how many in your family would attend. Please respond so we can get the ball rolling and make this a successful venture. Send info to: Mike Dale, Supt., Emerson C.C., 99 Palisades Ave., Emerson, N.J. 07630, or contact your District Director. This activity has been a very big success with our neighboring associations and we are hopeful it can be a success in New Jersey.

How to Repair A Ball Mark

The Trouble With Ball Marks

The ball landed with a thud. The green was soft, and as the ball bounced forward it left a deep little crater in the turf, exposing brown earth at the back and grass blades pushed together at the front.

Ignoring the little crater, the golfer walked up to his ball, cleaned it, holed his putt and glowed with self-satisfaction.

Some hours later, after the exposed earth in the ball mark dried out, another golfer found the damaged area in his line of putt. He attempted repairs, but the result was not very satisfactory. An unflattened bit of turf twisted his putt off line.

Next morning an inexperienced greenkeeper mowed the putting surface without repairing ball marks. The result was a putting surface pocked-marked, untrue and covered with bare spots where the mower scalped the grass from the turf.

What Happens

What actually happens when a ball mark is not promptly and properly repaired?

1. Soil is exposed, and so the area immediately surrounding the ball dries up faster than it would if the ball marks were repaired; and thus a blemish is left on the green.
2. There is a chance that the raised turf caused by the ball will dry quickly and may die out.
3. The open soil invites weed invasion, such as crabgrass, silver crabgrass, POA ANNUA, plantain, or Pearlwort. . . seed of which could be brought in on the shoes of golfers, caddies or workers or on mowing equipment.
4. The improperly repaired or neglected ball marks leaves a bumpy spot on the

green. If not corrected before cutting the next day, then the spot is scalped by the mower and the bruise mark remains for several days. This is especially noticeable in the Northeast during the summer season.

William H. Bengueyfield, Western Director of the Green Section, says:

"From an agronomic viewpoint, a ball mark bruises the grass plant and severely damages or destroys the meristem of growing point. This means that turf recovery must take place from the perimeter of the damaged area, and this takes considerable time. Rapid drying of the damaged area is a major factor in delaying recovery. Some soil compaction also results from the ball's impact."

How to Make Repairs

There is a correct way to repair a ball mark and, simply stated, it is to stretch the turf back over the bruised area, then loosen the soil beneath so that the bruised turf is able to root again.

To loosen the soil, some sharp-pointed instrument is required, such as a golf tee. The instrument must be sharp enough to penetrate the soil easily, and strong enough to cut through soil laterally at a depth of one inch or less.

In stretching the turf back over the ball mark area, try not to tear it loose. After the soil is loosened, the bruised and stretched turf must be firmed or pressed down to make contact with the soil again; otherwise, it may dry and die.

If a divot is taken when the ball hits the green and skids, the divot must be carefully stretched and replaced.

From the UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION

Attention Supers

This year, at our monthly golf meetings, some clubs will have restrictive tee-off times. It will be imperative that cards be sent in punctually so the Golf Chairman, Host Superintendent, District

Director, and club officials, can accommodate us effectively. This courtesy is of utmost importance.

Thanks.

Mike Dale

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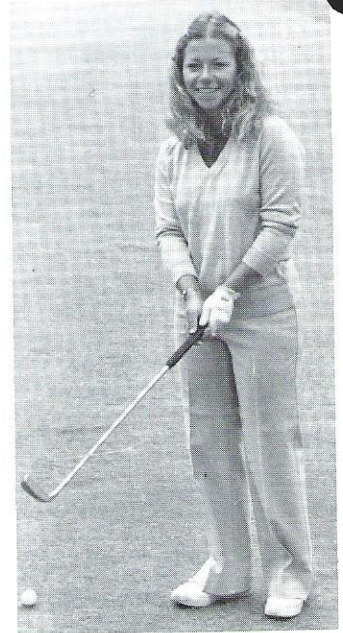
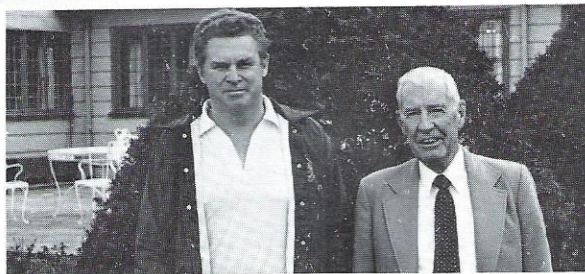


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New Jersey State Golf Association 1984 Tournament Schedule

**MID-AMATEUR
CHAMPIONSHIP**
May 15, 16, 17, 18
Montclair G.C.

AMATEUR QUALIFYING ROUNDS

Central May 25
Newton C.C.

North May 29
Rock Spring C.C.

South May 31
Glenwood C.C.

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

June 11, 12, 13
Hackensack G.C.

OPEN QUALIFYING ROUNDS

North June 19
White Beeches G. and C.C.

South June 25
Glenwood C.C.

Central June 26
Canoe Brook C.C.

PRO-AM CHAMPIONSHIP

July 10
Morris County G.C.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

July 11, 12, 13
Morris County G.C.

BEST BALL OF FOUR CHAMPIONSHIP

July 19
Glen Ridge C.C.

FOUR BALL QUALIFYING ROUND

July 23
Braidburn C.C.

FOUR BALL CHAMPIONSHIP

July 30, 31 and August 1
Braidburn C.C.

FATHER AND SON CHAMPIONSHIP

August 6
Forsgate C.C.

JUNIOR AND BOYS CHAMPIONSHIPS

August 20, 21, 22
Suburban G.C.

MIXED FOURSOME CHAMPIONSHIP

September 14
Rockaway River C.C.

SENIOR AND PRE-SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

September 24, 25
Woodlake C.C.

ANNUAL MEETING

October 5
Essex Fells C.C.

INVITATIONAL EVENTS

COMPHER CUP

May 9
Lehigh C.C. (PA)

STODDARD CUP

August 28
Garden City G.C. (NY)

Governmental Relations Report

With our lobbyist, Peter McDonough, we are working along with other interested groups to influence state legislators to defeat more stringent pesticide legislation. We have submitted an impact statement to this coalition showing how this legislation will affect golf courses. This statement is included in this report.

Assembly Bill (A-4) introduced by Zimmer directs the Director of Motor Vehicles to assign points against a driver, found destroying agricultural or recreational property. This bill was amended to include golf courses, was passed in the Assembly and should pass the Senate shortly.

Assemblymen Miller has introduced (A-208 and ACR-14) dealing with the taxation of golf courses. I think some work will be needed on these measures before they are brought for a vote.

These actions would not have been possible without our joint efforts with the State Golf Association and our lobbyist Peter McDonough.

Mr. Henry Rupp
Steering Committee Chairman
The Alliance for Environmental Concern
P.O. Box 193
Roseland, NJ 07068

Dear Henry:

I would like to take this opportunity to state the concerns of the Golf Course Superintendents of New Jersey in regard to Senate Bill 1342 and Assembly Bill 1536, bills which would limit the effects in the golf and the Country Club community in that it would restrict the treatment of the turf, trees, shrubs and waterways of the golf course, clubhouse, restaurant pest control and treatments of club swimming pools.

We feel that the terminology used in these bills such as "any potential threat", "any potentially hazardous pesticide" and "recognized environmental organization" are not definitive enough and would cause undue problems if this bill is not defeated.

We also have a problem with these bills in regulation of (1) authorized pesticide applicators (2) regulations in regard to aerial spraying, its buffer zones and notification requirements (3) ornamental pest control equipment restrictions and notifications (4) indoor pest control notifications (5) working in the disposal of pesticide containers section (6) Buffer zones (7) the meaning of "a reasonably effective and practical alternative" (8) the ease and disregard of reason that legal action could be started (9) who would be "a representative from a recognized environmental organization"?

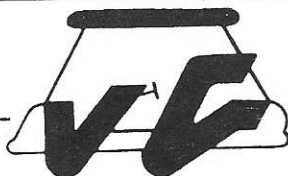
It appears that the pesticide control council is taking over the job of the D.E.P. with these regulations.

In general, the Golf Course Superintendents of New Jersey feel that Bills S-1342 and A-1536 are irresponsible legislation proposed by amateur environmentalists.

Robert Dickison
President GCSNJ

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District Committee Evaluation Report

Every organization must go through some changes in its history. It is not necessarily a sign of weakness, but rather a normal evolution making the organization stronger and more responsive to the current needs of its membership. Many of the golf course superintendents organizations are looking at GCSANJ's District Concept ideas and can see the advantages that we have experienced. Participation has been encouraged on the local level to discuss local problems. Activity has increased as well as membership in GCSANJ. We have regional participation and representation on the State level.

The membership and our committee all feel that the principal is sound and workable. However the districts as they were originally set up were small with between 20 and 25 superintendents per district. We know the problems we have in getting enough superintendents to attend the district meetings. Some are apathetic, some are not interested in particular meetings, some are too busy to leave their golf course, and some do not have employees who can assume responsibilities in their absence. Whatever reason we can reasonably expect a 25 percent attendance at district meetings. So very often only 7 to 10 attend the meetings if a few salespeople come. With small turnouts the rest of the superintendents become disinterested. A good meeting with a large turnout attracts more people.

We feel that with larger districts having at least 50 golf course superintendents we will have a workable organization with each district able to stand on its own. Even with the normal absences from district meetings each district will have a large enough pool of superintendents to draw from, and the district can carry on well attended meetings.

Organizing along county lines as originally followed is sometimes confusing. We wanted a simple understandable division allowing all members easy transportation access to meetings. The 4 District Organization is designed along transportation routes. The proposed District 1 consists of all golf courses north of Route 80. District 2 is those courses south of Route 80 but north of Route 78 and 287. District 3 contains those golf courses south of Route 78 and 298 and north of Burlington and Ocean counties (the original District 8 line). District 4 is the golf courses south of District 3 which is the original District 8. The numbers of superintendents per district are comparable and representation from north to south remains on the state level.

This proposal of course will not solve all the problems of the Association. It will however provide a very workable organizational framework from which to encourage activity at both the local and state levels.

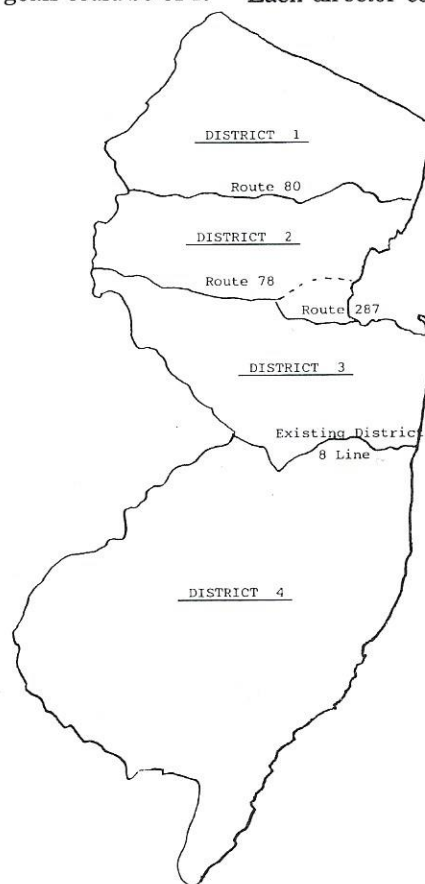
One of the recommendations we make to encourage participation is to have each

district put out a newsletter to inform its members of meetings and district news. This will encourage interest as it has already done in the districts which now have one. With larger districts this will be a necessity. This will also require organization on the district level.

Another recommendation is to put non state board members on the committees to get the general membership more involved. This will also take some work away from the board members. It would be feasible to run one or two district golf meetings during the season as well as the state golf meetings.

We feel that educational goals must be set at the State level. This would allow the districts to work towards a common purpose. Some examples of goals could be CPR

elected each year to a one year term. After that year he will succeed to the position of Senior Director. The Senior Director would be on the State Board for his second year and thus would assume more state responsibilities and coordinate those with his district. The newly elected District Director would join the State Board and take over running the district meetings with the Senior Director to aid and advise. This organization would allow continuity on the State Board as each district would always have one year of experience in the Senior Director. There would be four new directors every year. If one director could not make it to a State Board meeting the other director from the district could cover for him by giving any required reports. Each director continues to get one vote at



classes, First Aid lessons, pesticide application safety meetings with credits given towards recertification, or other worthwhile goals.

In considering the State Board government we feel that the number of directors should remain the same in order to carry out the business of the Association for chairing committees and preserving the district voting balance and representational strength.

We propose having 2 Directors from each district. One will be called the District Director and the other the Senior Director. The District Director will run the district meetings and hold elections. He will be

state meetings business, and in his absence he loses that vote.

The members of the District Evaluation Committee are:

Chairman - John Boyer
Members - Gerald Fountain
John Fenwick
Charles Edgar
Jeff Wetterling
Ed Nickelsen
Mike Dale
Ed Walsh

We will continue on in some capacity to incorporate this proposal into the By-Laws and Standing Rules of GCSANJ and to promote its acceptance by the membership.

Golf Scores

Chip Shots

The G.C.S.A.N.J. held their April monthly meeting at the Little Mill Golf Club in Marlton, New Jersey. Rick Broome was the host. The course was very enjoyable and in fine condition. The weather was a bit chilly but there was no rain and the sun actually made a twenty second appearance.

The meeting was a joint meeting with the Philadelphia Golf Course Superintendents Association.



Seventy three players toured the golf course and a Quota system tournament was played. In Quota the individual subtracts his handicap from 36 deriving the number of points he needs. Points are allotted as follows: one for a bogey, two for a par, three for a birdie, and five for an eagle. At the conclusion of the round the player totals his points and is either minus, even, or plus. Usually a plus score wins.

The winners at Little Mill were:

First - Les Stout +9

Second - Joe Lighcap +8

Third - Walt Will +6

Paul Weldin +6

Fifth - Mark McDonald +5

Sixth - Gregg Hutch +4

Ed Roynan +4

Low Gross prizes

First - Jack Montecalvo 77

Second - Vic Gerard 79

There were over one hundred people for dinner. After dinner Bob Mancini from the New Jersey Water Allocation Division spoke about the new water allocation permit system.

Questions were fielded from the floor and a number of the members of the Phila. group discussed the situation they are now encountering as far as water restrictions are concerned. They seem to be going through the same situation that the G.C.-S.A.N.J. went through two to three years ago. If the Philadelphia group has people willing to work as diligently as Jack Martin and Jim Gilligan did for the G.C.S.A.N.J. they will improve their situation.

Charlie Cifelli at Pacanack Lake G.C. in Wayne, N.J. showed one of our reporters the results of the recent flooding. There had been eight feet of water in his maintenance shop because of a dam giving way up in Suffern, N.Y. The water had risen five feet in three hours.

Tom Zimich of Newton C.C. starred in the Willet Athletic Association 10K (6.2 mile) Run on April 14. The run was run in conjunction with a run sponsored by radio station WDHA and the Randolph Recreation Dept. Tom was in the 50 and over category - 57 years old. He placed third in his division by running the hilly course in 47 minutes and 26 seconds. Other times recorded by GCSANJ members were: Ken Kubik, Grass Roots, Inc. 41 minutes 53 seconds; Jim Dempsey, Roselle G.C., 43 minutes; and Tim McAvoy, Fox Hollow G.C., 47 minutes. These fellows were among 182 runners entered in the race. This was the third race of the year for the "Jogging Grandpa," Tom Zimich, and it was the third time he placed third in his age category.

Paul DesChamps, owner of The Storr Tractor Company, was recently in the hospital. Get well soon Paul.

Montclair Golf Club Assistant Superin-

tendent Jim Cross and his wife Beth became proud parents of Derek James, born March 16, 1984. Derek weighed in at a healthy 7 lbs. 5 ozs.

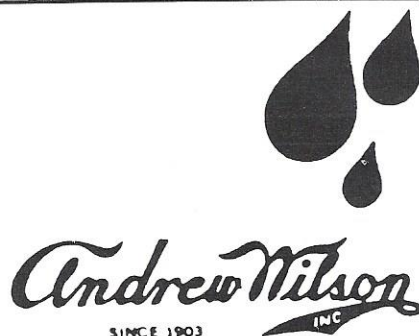
The G.C.S.A.N.J. Redistricting Committee, John Boyer Chairman, have come up with some excellent ideas on the new District concept. Their ideas on the potential four district alignment and necessary by-law changes to go along with the concept are well thought out and make sense. Contact a member of the committee or John if you have any questions.

Watch out golfers! According to Shaun Barry his handicap is now an inflated 10. What a potential thief!

Bruce Peebles, Superintendent at the Howell Park Golf Course, and Janet Spears of Middletown, N.J. were married on March 31st. They honeymooned in Bermuda. Bruce said the weather was not very good but they managed to have fun regardless.

Dave Pease, president of the "Century Club" (those golfers who consistently shoot 100) swayed from the norm by shooting a blazing 99 at the Little Mill Golf Club.

Congratulations to Bob and Robin Matthews on the arrival of Sean Adam on April 28. Sean weighed in at a 7 lbs., 6 ozs. Mother, Son and Father are doing well.



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Golf Tournaments To Benefit Turfgrass Research

The New York State Turfgrass Association has added a second golf tournament to the already successful Poa Annual Golf Tournament held the last two years to raise funds for the turfgrass research program at Cornell University. The addition of the second tournament makes it geographically possible for anyone in the state to participate in this event.

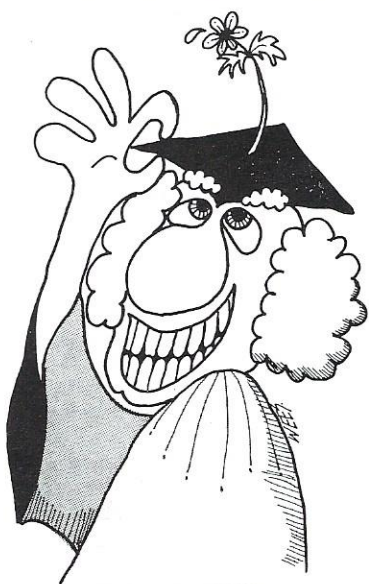
The Poa Annual Upstate Tournament will be held on September 10, 1984 at Fox Fire Country Club in Baldwinsville, NY, outside of Syracuse. The Poa Annual Downstate Tournament will be held on September 17, 1984 at Spook Rock Golf Club in Suffern, NY. Spook Rock has been rated as one of the top 50 clubs in the country by Golf Digest Magazine. Both tournaments will have five flights, sponsorships, prizes and will include dinner.

Assisting the New York State Turfgrass Association with the tournaments will be the Central New York Golf Course Superintendents Association, The Finger Lakes Association of Golf Course Superintendents, and the Hudson Valley Golf Course Superintendents Association.

For further information, contact (Upstate) Mr. William Stark, Cortland Country Club, P.O. Box 202, Homer, NY 13077 or (Downstate) Mr. Steve Smith, I & E Supply, 66 Erna Avenue, Box 9, Milford, CT 06460.

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Willet Wilt

"Due to a censorship case, presently in the U.S. District Court, I am not appearing in this issue of THE GREENER SIDE. Look for me in issue No. 4 as I rate my favorite golf course in New Jersey."

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The project is the outgrowth of discussions between David B. Hueber, president of NGF, and James G. Prusa, associate executive director of GCSAA. It is a pilot program in a long range cooperative arrangement between the two

organizations.

"We are excited about this research effort," said Hueber, "because of what it will mean to the entire turfgrass maintenance industry. For the first time, we will accurately measure the scope of this important business element in golf and be able to transmit that to manufacturers of turf equipment and materials."

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GSCAA President James W. Timmerman, CGCS, echoed his enthusiasm.

"This joint effort between the GCSAA and NGF is an historic undertaking certain to have synergistic results," he said. "This is yet another example of how GCSAA is demonstrating its determination to cooperate fully with other allied golf associations for the betterment of the game and business of golf."

Questionnaires will be developed by the GCSAA and distributed by NGF in June. Data will be analyzed at the University of Kansas and results disseminated by both organizations in late summer or early fall.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Ed:

Just a note to let you know how pleased I was to win and receive the golf book. I certainly will enjoy reading it, as well as the members of my family.

Sincerely,
Jim McCrink

Editor's Note: Jim was a winner of one of the publications we raffled off at the NJPGA show.



Credit — Divots July 1982



"Finesse it, Harry.
These greens don't hold."

Credit: MVGCSA

*Golf is a
long walk
filled with
disappointments*

Did you ever wonder why most golfers will not fix ball marks?

Why when you put a rope, chain or some other restraining device they feel they have to go through that area?

Why do they complain about bad hole cups and then try to scoop the ball out with their putters?

Why do they moan when a low line drive does not stop dead and a high pitch does?

Why trees are the place to drop empty cans, cups, etc. instead of containers provided?

Why will they take 4 practice swings, 4 big divots and only replace the divot when they hit the ball? (I guess 1 out of 5 isn't bad.)

Why the wettest area is where they drive the carts?

Why when you want to spray, it's always windy, and very calm when the sprayer is broken down?

Why is it always hot and dry when you're having problems with the irrigation system?

Why when you schedule a major project, half the help is either late or no show?

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Why the pin is in front when you are at the back and vice versa?

Why the salesman you want to talk to shows up when you are the busiest?

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