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NEWSLETTER

September, 1963

The September meeting was held September 9, 1963 at the Longmeadow C. C., Longmeadow, Mass.

At the brief business meeting the growing problem of vandalism was discussed. The state legislature recently turned down bill 261; however, if each Supt. would write his representative and urge his club members to do the same it is possible that favorable action would result later when this bill is again presented.

After a delicious buffet luncheon the golfers took to the course and the other Supts. went on their usual inspection tour. Leon St. Pierre host Supt. had much to show, of special interest is the enclosed article on Silt Basins or Sediment Pools.

Results of the golf tournament

Club Championship			Seniors Championship	
1	Guy Tedesco	75	1	Phil Cassidy 86-18-68
2	John Sperandio	78 tie	2	Mike O'Grady 97-24-73
	Bill Carter	78 tie		

NEXT MEETING

Bra Burn Country Club, Newton, Mass., October 14, 1963
Pro-Supt. Golf Tournament. Only PGA pros and members of N.E.G.C.S.A. are eligible to participate in this tournament.

This will be the last outdoor meeting of the year.

CLUB OPERATING COST UP 43% IN 10 YEARS

The impact of inflation and its resultant decrease in the purchasing power of the dollar has been the major contributing factor in increasing the costs of operating a golf club by 43% during the past decade. The figure and conclusion is offered by the New York accounting firm of Harris, Kerr, Forster & Company.

The current year's total gross revenue and dues income of 26 million dollars for the country club group exceed last year by \$153,000 but this gain was more than absorbed by an increase of \$662,000 in total operating costs and expenses.

Ninety-nine cents of each dollar of total revenue and dues had to be set aside during the current year to meet payroll and other operating costs and expenses.

The firm's survey shows the 1961-62 maintenance cost to be \$3,307 per hole, up \$125 over that for the preceding year. During the past 10 years there has been an uninterrupted increase in golf course maintenance costs, and the 1961-62 average of \$3,307 per hole exceeded by 45 per cent the 1952-53 cost of \$2,278.

In the last 10 years, the club member's expenditures have increased by about 50 percent for his dues and 37 percent for his various purchases. The greatest increase in expense has been for payroll and related costs, up 54 percent. All other operating costs have advanced by 34 percent.

The editor

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