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Mother Nature deals supers a bad hand: Cape courses pummeled by hurricane

It's generally acknowledged that golf course superintendents must play the hand Mother Nature deals them. However, that axiom was exaggerated beyond reason one infamous day last month when Cape Cod supers had the whole deck of cards stacked against them.

October Meeting

October 3, 1991

Research Tournament
The Country Club, Brookline, MA

Team of Two

Bill Spence
Host Superintendent

Entry forms were sent out
in late August.
Directions were included.

Bill Spence has been the superintendent at The Country Club in Brookline since the fall of 1984. Bill hosted the U.S. Open in 1988. Prior to the C.C. Bill was the superintendent at Kansas City C.C. for seven years, and Pebble Beach for three and a half years. He graduated from the University of Massachusetts with a B.S. in Plant and Soil Science.

Born in New Jersey, Bill lives in Franklin, MA with wife Mae and children Chris 13, Ryan 9, and Will 2. He has served on the board for Heart of America Superintendent Association. Bill enjoys music, gardening, and golf, but has not played this year due to a knee injury from tennis.

The date was August 19, the time Hurricane Bob arrived in a rainless rage, carrying winds of 90 to 100 miles per hour that triggered an outbreak of damage ranging from felled trees to downed power lines to reckless sea-wash to plant-choking drifts of sand.

Several golf courses and their supers had to play that bad hand. Among the hardest hit were Willowbend, Woods Hole, Hyannisport, New Seabury, Kittansett, and Eastward Ho.

Eastward Ho's Brian Cowan was relatively calm over the phone just as the course reopened three days after the devastating blow, even though he said the storm was the worst he's encountered in his 25 years on the Cape.

"Believe it or not, I feel kind of lucky," Cowan remarked. "Not that having 150 trees go down here is any picnic, but compared to what happened at other courses, we came out of it as well as expected or as well as what you'd hope under the conditions."

Eastward Ho's biggest problem was maintaining the regular course conditioning program without power. There was none for three days, so closing the course from Monday, the 19th until Thursday was more in keeping a compatible schedule with the clubhouse which had to shut down because of the outage.

Tom Flaherty had his hands full at Woods Hole where he says the area is under siege of an early foliage season. Seventy trees were felled; however, airborne salt did a cosmetic catastrophe job on the course.

"We were closed for five days to clean up the mess and I was without irrigation



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Tom Flaherty

for at least a week," Tom reported. "I really don't know when normal plant color will return, if ever this season. Right now, there's a funny shade to everything. But there's nothing funny about what happened at my home. Fourteen trees fell, one on the house. So, this (hurricane) was something none of us will soon forget."

Willowbend lost 750 trees, one landing on the seventh green while Bob St. Thomas also revealed that salt damage to remaining trees and plants gave the course a "late-fall look".

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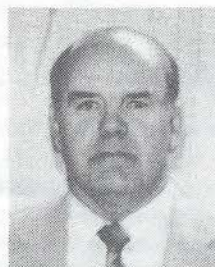
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Len Blodgett, who's been fighting the effects of drought all summer, lost 100 trees at Kittansett and was without power for six days. However, sea wash put six of his greens under water and covered them with six inches of sand. Six days after the storm, Kittansett had recovered only to the point where a revamped layout of nine scattered holes were in play. It really got hit by several blows below the belt.

"We came out of it as well as expected."

Brian Cowan

The first thing Tom Colombo had to do at New Seabury was clear the course entrance roads of felled trees before he even could assess the damage to the resort's Blue and Green courses. And it was devastating.

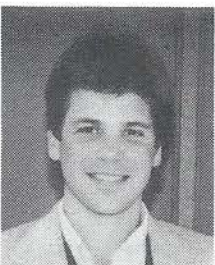


"We were under pressure to clean things up (800 trees down in the playing areas) to get back on track as soon as possible," Tom explained. "So, strange as it seems, there were waiters, waitresses, and housekeepers giving us a hand."

"The water damage was unbelievable."

Tom Colombo

"Water damage was unbelievable. Not only did we have to deal with salt water from the storm surge, we had to pump out contaminated water from three fresh water ponds before we could get back to irrigation. It took us three days to get most of the unwanted water off the course, but we still had to deal with sand on the fairways. It ran anywhere from one inch to two feet deep."



Once he got the recovery process rolling, Colombo had to piece together some kind of layout for an important four-day tournament. It took one solid week of hard work and deft manipulating of cer-

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Charlie Passios

tain tees, but on Monday, August 26, play got under way.

"This kind of disaster might have been in the cards," Tom added. "I guess most of us (superintendents) had it too good this summer."



At least from my standpoint, the courses were in the best shape I've ever seen them. Now? Who knows? I'd like to think we'll be getting back close to normal by the first of October, but I wouldn't bet on it."

Charlie Passios had many a sorry sight at his vigil at Hyannisport after Bob belted that course, the most distressing the sight of jellyfish doing whatever stroke that moves them in some of his bunkers.

Hyannisport really took a pasting. Charlie was still counting after he passed 300 in downed trees, salt water saturated five of his greens, fresh water ponds were laden with airborne salt and had to be flushed and all of the clean-up chores had to be tackled without power for five days.

"I have 13 greens and five 'browns,'" Passios tried to keep his composure recalling the havoc Hurricane Bob wreaked. "We closed for four days, opened for nine Friday (August 23), and had 18 holes operating the next day. Tackling those dormant (brown) greens was a project. Aerating, applying gypsum, top dressing, and praying for rain (it came one day after the hurricane). I couldn't guess when we can finally say we're fully recovered."

The hand Mother Nature dealt the Cape Cod superintendents then, was one full of wild, wild cards. They played those cards, thought, and they're still in the game. No one's folded yet.

GERRY FINN

Calendar

Oct. 3	Research Tournament The Country Club Brookline, MA
Oct. 10	Superintendent-Pro Tournament Ferncroft C.C. Middleton, MA
Nov. 5	Regular Meeting Sandy Burr G.C. Wayland, MA

The Super Speaks Out:

This month's question is a follow-up on the problem of golf course vandalism and how it affects the superintendent.

Bob Lake, Holyoke Country Club: "I think sporadic visits by vandals go with the territory.

"We had our severest incident in May when someone used a flagstick (I think) to poke holes all over our third green. Fortunately, we recovered by pulling plugs, filling the holes, and letting Mother Nature do the rest.

"However, I'm lucky. This is my first year at Holyoke, so I'm just several months removed from maybe the course's most drastic example of vandalism ever. It happened just before our big member-guest four-ball when someone poured gasoline on seven of the nine holes.

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Bob Lake

"The super I succeeded (Vincent Parentela) worked around the clock trying to revive those greens. It was a scary situation, but all the attention paid off. One year later, there are no signs the act ever happened.

"But let's face it. Being under the threat of vandalism is like living with a time bomb. It can go off at any moment. When your golf course is overexposed and access to it is easy, all you can do is hope it won't happen."

Bob DiRico, Brae Burn Country Club: "I can't describe that feeling two weeks before the start of the state amateur when I arrived at the course and saw that four of our greens had been dug up the night before.

"It's sickening, at best. But I had to face reality and get those greens back in shape. And I guess the only word to describe the recovery is 'remarkable'.

"We cut plugs from other greens and went into a full-concentration effort to get rid of the scars. It looked good almost from the start of the repair program. To tell the truth, I'd say 75 percent of our members didn't know anything about the vandalism

until the Boston Globe reported it just before the tournament began.

"Vandalism involves more than the expense it takes to repair the damage. To me, there's an additional kick that goes with it and it lands on the superintendent.

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Bob DiRico

"It's really outrageous. When I think of things like stealing flagsticks and wrecking ball washers, it goes into the category of vandalism you come to expect...almost accept.

"Golf courses, especially those with easy access, kind of give vandals an open season to do their damage. I think the restitution measures should be more exacting, not something such as 'the kid going to work for the super and working it off'. That just doesn't cut any ice with the problem. Parents, however, should be responsible for direct restitution, nothing less."

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Max Mierzwa

Max Mierzwa, Chicopee Country Club: "I'm still keeping my fingers crossed, but for the first time ever we've had no damage inflicted by vehicles.

"It's really a wonder, too, because in the past there wasn't a spring that went by that I wasn't out there repairing spin-out marks and everything else those all-terrain jobs and snowmobiles caused on our greens.

"The remedy was expensive, an eight-foot chain-link fence that surrounds about three-quarters of the course. The other quarter is not accessible because it's protected by marshes and wetland.

"The cost for that fence ran up to \$78,000. That's a big price to pay for something that shouldn't happen in the first place, especially since we are a municipal golf course. But it was worth it. Over the long run there'll be a savings because at one time we were just like a training ground for those 'choppers' and other kinds of vehicles that just seemed to be drawn to our greens.

"That's one part of my vandalism experience. The other is an ongoing nuisance that won't go away until the authorities can get a handle on making stealing flagsticks, uprooting ball washers, and pushing golf carts over less attractive to the idiots who do that type of thing.

"Regardless, that fence is a godsend. It gives me a fighting chance to recoup for the rest of the stuff that just won't stop."

Jim Perez, East Mountain Country Club: "Every year we have one or two major incidents that put a damper on my disposition and a dent in our maintenance budget.

"Access seems to be the key to our vandalism problems. Until they put a gate at

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Jim Perez

the entrance to a pipeline adjoining the course, the gas company had set up a barrier consisting of telephone poles tied into the ground with foot-long spikes.

"Needless to say, that didn't keep the vandals out. Somehow they hitched up a rig to pull those spikes and poles right out of the ground last spring. The result was a 15th green that still carries the scars of a spinout maneuver which sliced up the putting surface almost beyond recognition.

"But that's been par for the course here. Vandals are out there, waiting to target some course, whether it's private, public or municipal. And, for the most part, there's nothing we can do about it. Right now, I'm wondering what the effect of that gate will be. I hate to think it, but it probably will be challenged. This is the part of a superintendent's life they can have, but who wants it?"

GERRY FINN

A message from the President

By the time everyone reads this, I am sure the weather will be a lot more enjoyable than it has been. Between drought conditions, grub and insect pressure, and Hurricane



Bob as a grand finale, I think everyone should be ready for a little break. Maybe by then some of those monumental problems that seemed so severe will, in all actuality, become very trite.

This fall is shaping up to be active, with the highlight event our annual Research Tournament. This year's event will be October 3 at The Country Club. To accommodate as many members as possible, the field will be made up of all twosomes. Raffle tickets you received in the mail are very important to the success of our fundraising. Please sell your share and encourage your fellow superintendents to do the same. The friends and affiliate members I would encourage to sponsor a green or tee. Membership participation is the key to the success of this fundraiser.

We are very anxious to get commitments for sites for next year's meetings. We presently have a meeting request form available. For those people interested, please contact Jim Fitzroy. We would appreciate these forms to be completed before committing any dates. Our target is to have the 1992 schedule in place tentatively by November 1.

PAUL MILLER

Letter to the Editor

Dear Mr. Tyler,

As a former Greens Committee Chairman and a member of the USGA's Green Section Committee, I am convinced that the USGA's Turf Advisory Service (TAS) is a good value. I also believe that the annual cost of \$1200 should be an item in every golf course superintendent's budget.

We are fortunate to have in the New England region a USGA Agronomist who has a proven record of accomplishments and gained the confidence of superintendents in this region.

I urge all of you to support the USGA's (TAS) program. The dollars spent will come back to you tenfold.

Dick Crosby

Protecting drinking water supplies from pesticides

from the Pesticide Bureau
Information Bulletin

What Is The Drinking Water Protection Program?

Beginning in 1992, there will be new regulatory requirements for the use of certain pesticides near public drinking water supplies. The pesticide products affected by this new regulation are those which may potentially pose a risk to groundwater under certain conditions. Under the Program, people must choose alternatives to those pesticide products identified on the Groundwater Protection List in primary recharge areas. Simply put, if there is no alternative to the use of a pesticide on the list and the site to be treated is in

a primary recharge area, the use of the pesticide will be regulated. All indoor applications, including greenhouses, are exempt from these regulations.

Which Specific Pesticide Products Are Regulated?

The Department of Food and Agriculture will have prepared the Groundwater Protection List which includes all those pesticide products subject to this regulation by January 1st. In order to be included on this Groundwater Protection List, pesticide products must contain one of the following active ingredients: acifluorfen, alachlor, aldicarb, atrazine, baygon, bentazon, bromacil, carbofuran, chlorthalonil, cyanazine, dacthal, disulfoton, diuron, fenamiphos, folpet, fonofos, lindane, MCPA, metolachlor, metribuzin, pentachlorophenol, propazine, and simazine. Pesticide products which are aerosols, paints, baits, animal, and human products are exempt from the regulations.

Dedham C.C.'s Bob Mucciarone to retire Jan. '92

Bob Mucciarone, the highly respected Green Superintendent at the Dedham Country and Polo Club has announced his retirement effective January 1, 1992. During his tenure, spanning over thirty years, Bob has become widely known and appreciated for his contributions to the profession as well as to the Club. Bob has recruited, trained, and developed many young men who now manage programs at other clubs. His advice and counsel are often sought and freely given.

Bob has managed the beautification of the club with the planting of hundreds of trees and shrubs. He has continually expanded the size of tees, changing them from dirt surfaces to attractive and playable ones. In his year-round efforts he has constantly upgraded the facility with a care and commitment that are both apparent and rare even among professionals.

Bob is known to generations of golfing members as a friendly and receptive listener and doer who responds to needs day or night.

His commitment and dedication to the maintenance and improvement of the course is unique.

GCSAA Director on Golf Digest's "most powerful" list

In a list of the current movers and shakers in golf, the editors of Golf Digest magazine have identified their choice of the 36 most powerful people in golf. John M. Schilling, executive director of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of American (GCSAA) was named to the list.

Appearing in the September 1991 issue, the Golf Digest editors compiled a list of people who, in their opinion, "have the capability and the option of acting in ways that have an effect on both phases of the game—the big-money, show-business side, and the game we all play."

GCSAA President Stephen G. Cadenelli, CGCS, superintendent at Metedeconk National Golf Club, Jackson, NJ, said, "Recognition of John as a major contributor in the world of golf is most deserved. John has provided outstanding leadership to GCSAA during his tenure as executive director. His leadership has resulted in great progress for the members of GCSAA and for the organization."

Ouimet Fund scholarship money available to more than just caddies

An overview of the Francis Ouimet Scholarship Fund

Background:

The Francis Ouimet Scholarship Fund was founded as a non-profit organization in 1949, and it is thought of as the official charity of golf in Massachusetts. Its purpose is to help deserving young men and women obtain a college education or technical training of university grade.

Scholarship Facts:

- 2700 individuals helped since 1949
- \$5.5 million awarded since 1949
- 200 individuals helped in 1990-91
- \$300,000 awarded in 1990-91
- 96 colleges attended
 - by scholars in 90-91
- 99 clubs represented
 - by scholars in 90-91

Eligible Employees:

- Course Superintendent Help
- Pro Shop Help
- Bag Room Help
- Driving Range Help
- Cart Storage Area Help
- Caddies

Clubs:

- Private
- Public
- Semi-Private
- Municipal
- Resort

Scholarship Process:

Students must have provided three years of demonstrated "service to Golf" at one of the above clubs. Need based awards of \$500 to \$4500 are awarded annually and are renewable. Students must apply by December 1 and provide transcripts, letters of recommendation, and official financial information. Applicants are interviewed during the winter and spring, and scholarships are awarded in the late summer.

Ouimet "Partners in Golf" Program:

The Ouimet Fund is closely aligned

with the major golf associations operating in Massachusetts - The PGA Chapters, The New England Golf Course Superintendent's Association, The Cape Cod Turf Managers Association, The Massachusetts Golf Association, and The Women's Golf Association of Massachusetts, as well as the individual clubs. The National PGA and USGA have also made grants to us. The Fund strives to make golf a better game in Massachusetts by helping the clubs use the incentive of a Ouimet Scholarship as a strong tool in recruiting and

retaining good young help for a minimum of three years of service. The "Partners" feel this scholarship incentive gives the club, the club professionals, and course superintendents a significant long term advantage over other service economy jobs. (Further information regarding this partnership is now being developed for club distribution.)

Further information:

Contact the Ouimet Fund at 617-891-6400.



Air conditioner.

Did you know a golf course actually improves the atmosphere? It's an invaluable green belt that acts as a "heat sink" to moderate surrounding air temperatures and it releases pure oxygen into the air in exchange for carbon dioxide.

Who's in charge of keeping these amazing ecosystems in harmony with nature? Today's golf course superintendents. They're part troubleshooter, part business manager, part scientist and all environmentalist—dedicated to making our world a greener place.

WE KEEP GOLF GREEN.



Pesticide Bureau Chief explains new record-keeping report plan

TO: All Certified Commercial Applicators, Certified Private Applicators, Licensed Applicators, and Employers
FROM: Gail Kaprielian, Pesticide Bureau Chief
RE: Pesticide Record Keeping Reports
DATE: June 21, 1991

The regulation 333 CMR 10.15 promulgated pursuant to the Massachusetts Pesticide Control Act (Chapter 132B of the General Laws) requires that all certified commercial applicators, all certified private applicators, all licensed applicators or their employers "...keep true and accurate operational records...on each application of a pesticide." This same regulation authorizes the Department of Food and Agriculture to require annual records and reports of the information maintained in accordance with 333 CMR 10.15.

Beginning in January of 1992, the Department will be mailing out to all private and commercial applicators a Pesticide Use Report form soliciting specific pesticide use information based on your operational records for 1991.

The purpose of this letter is to notify you in ample time of this upcoming Pesticide Use Report form which will require that you provide information based on your 1991 operational records.

The form will ask for general administrative information and more specific pesticide use information including:

- 1) Product/Brand Name
 - 2) EPA Registration #
 - 3) Name of Active Ingredient(s)
 - 4) Percentage of Active Ingredient (as listed on the label)
 - 5) Product Form (liquid, powder, etc.)
 - 6) Use Classification: General, State Limited, or Restricted
 - 7) Total Amount of Concentrate Product Applied in Reporting Year
 - *8) Major Crop or Site treated
 - *9) Total Acreage treated
 - *10) Target Pest(s) or Class of each Pest
 - *11) Method of Application
- *Private Applicator information only.

The Department realizes that in many instances employers keep the required records for the individual applicator. Provisions will be made so that a company or employer can submit use records for their applicators.

You will receive further "reminder" letters prior to January 1992. In late summer or early fall you will receive the forms complete with instructions. You *do not*

need to submit anything at this time, but you should be aware that this reporting will begin in 1992 for the calendar year 1991 and such reporting will continue for subsequent years.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact the Pesticide Bureau at 617-727-3020.

Fertilizer commercial criticized

from June 1991 Briefing

Perhaps you've seen this TV commercial...a pitchman, standing in front of a series of drawings, delivering a lecture: "These are the chemicals that go into the lawn that go into the rainwater that goes into the streams that go into the lakes that go into the fish that go into the people who put the chemicals in the lawn in the first place."

Those are the words from a recent TV spot produced by Ringer Corp., a lawn-care products company based in Minneapolis. The spot, intended to be light and humorous, publicizes Ringer's "all-natural" Restore fertilizer.

Controversy surrounds the commercial not only because of the anti-chemical stance it implies, but because some believe the claims it makes are without scientific support. In a recent Wall Street Journal article, ChemLawn Services Corp., O.M. Scott & Sons Co., and other competitors attacked the ad, calling it "false" and "misleading".

Although the commercial is for a home lawn-care product, some superintendents have reacted to what they describe as unfair criticism in the ad's message. A number of GCSAA members have called headquarters after seeing the ad. GCSAA's voice has been added to the number of corporations and organizations that contacted Ringer. According to John M. Schilling, GCSAA executive director, "We have expressed our concern to Ringer's professional turf division and they have promised to pass along those concerns to their home lawn division."

Ringer responded by saying the company's "main motivation is to anticipate the market trends and to provide (GCSAA's) members with effective products," according to Scott E. Boutilier, commercial marketing director. "This objective coexists with the debate over chemical restriction but did not cause it."

With home lawn-care products and services increasingly under the microscope, the golf/turf industry often finds itself under similar scrutiny. Superintendents should expect and be prepared to respond to this attention. "Golf turf products are being managed by highly trained professionals and home lawn-care products are being applied by those without proper training," says Charles T. Passios, CGCS, GCSAA director and government relations liaison. "Superintendents and other turf industry professionals need to be ready to promote their environmentally responsible management practices."

In light of the harsh anti-chemical rhetoric, superintendents need to do their best to make sure that all facts about turf chemicals and practices are made known to the public. "Now is the time for GCSAA members to get in touch with their club members, civic groups, media, and other public organizations to educate them that professional golf course superintendents are responsible individuals who respect the environment," Passios says.

GCSAA's communications department has a number of programs and tools that GCSAA members can use in public education. The department can also assist GCSAA members in preparing public presentations.

Grubs lead to a big stink over skunks

by Joseph Carbonneau,
from Our Collaborator

At Equinox Country Club we have a moderate population of Japanese Beetle grubs inhabiting about two acres of roughs.

Of all the problems created by these pests, the most serious is the attraction of skunks. The skunks invade the course, seeking the Japanese Beetle grubs as a food supply. By digging into the ground for grubs, they leave behind an unsightly stand of turf. The solution to eliminating this problem lies in either shooting the skunks or trapping them. My choice was the latter.

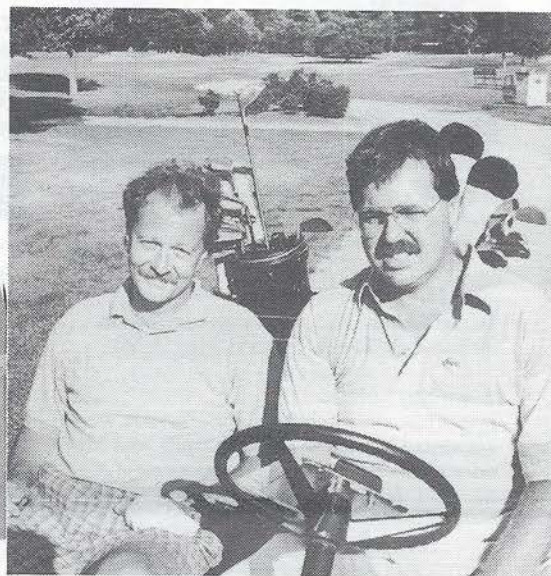
We started out by constructing six 8"x8"x30" box traps out of 1/2" plywood. One end was left open with a hinged door attached. A string was attached to the door which in turn was hooked to a bait tray from the outside of the box. A piece of band iron was incorporated as a door latch and a handle was added to the top. A 1/2" hole was then drilled in the back so that the skunk could be prompted to leave at the time of release. The traps were put out at the first sign of skunk activity and were baited with peanut butter. It took approximately a couple of nights for the varmints to get accustomed to the traps.

The traps were then checked in the morning and the traps that were tripped were carefully placed in the back of a truck and transported three to four miles from the course. At the time of release, ran-

domly selected skunks were marked by a dot of yellow marking paint shot through the 1/2" hole in the back of the trap. The door was then opened and a dowel inserted through the hole in the trap to hasten the skunk's departure. In a good week, we trapped from 10 to 14 skunks, making a noticeable difference in skunk activity on our turf. So far we have trapped a total of 50 to 60 skunks with only a few returning. Having the trap only eight inches high makes it hard for the skunk to lift its tail and spraying is difficult. Thus far, not a skunk has raised a stink.

This form of control has reduced our problem of turf devastation from the pesky skunk in his quest for the Japanese Beetle grub.

GCSANE Photo Gallery



Top row, left to right: Mike Nagle and Mike Hermonson; Tom Flaherty and Steve Carr; Dick Zepp and Jim Beane. Bottom row, left to right: Larry Anshewitz, Rich Tworig, and Tim Berge; Robin Hayes and Mike Wallace; Frank Murphy, Max Mierzwa, and Bob Ruszala.



DIVOT DRIFT ...announcements...educational seminars...job opportunities ...tournament results...and miscellaneous items of interest to the membership.

POSITION OPEN

The Dedham Country and Polo Club invites applications for the position of Green Superintendent.

Qualifications:

The club is seeking a skilled professional manager who has successfully served as green superintendent or assistant superintendent. The position calls for a friendly, persuasive individual capable of contacting a wide range of people within and outside the club and motivating them to act positively and constructively. He or she should feel an urgency to produce results in spite of opposition or difficulty. He must be flexible in dealing with frequent interruptions or changes, moving quickly to adapt to changing conditions. The individual will be expected to assume authority and to act independently when appropriate. There will be a need to be alert and aware of the consequences of actions. Being sensitive to policy, procedure accuracy, and quality are important.

The individual should have education in Agronomy, and in the management of people and the development of operating and capital budgets. Concern for safety, environmental issues, and effectiveness in building relationships with community officials is important.

Schedule:

Applications will be received Sept. 15 to Oct. 20. Interviews will be conducted through Nov. 20. A decision by the Board of Governors is expected by Dec. 15.

Salary and Benefits:

A full compensation package of salary, bonus, insurance, and other benefits will be available in a flexible program. Salary and bonus will be commensurate with experience and qualifications and should be in the \$50 to \$60,000 range. Living quarters are a possibility.

Contact:

Application letters and resumes should be sent to the attention of the Chairman, Green and Grounds Committee:

Dedham Country and Polo Club
724 Westfield Street
P.O. Box 430
Dedham, MA 02026-0806

FOR SALE

1988 Ryan Mataway. Excellent condition - \$1500. Foley Reel Grinder Model 388. Very good condition - \$1000. Contact Dave Heroian, Myopia Hunt Club (5508) 468-2231.

REGULATIONS UPDATE

Gasoline storage update, effective 3/16/91: All tanks used for the keeping, storage, or dispensing of gasoline shall be installed underground. Such tanks shall be subject to the approval of the head of the fire department and comply with all applicable Fire Prevention Regulations (827 CMR). The provision to install tanks underground shall not apply to portable gasoline tanks and containers as provided for in 827 CMR 8.00; or bulk storage facilities unless the head of the fire department and/or the local licensing authority requires such provisions.

APPOINTMENT

We don't know what this means, but if anyone wants their manure pile measured, call Dan Lehan at Larchmont.

July 24, 1991

Daniel Lehan, V.P. Larchmont Irrigation
99 Hancock Street, Bedford, MA 01730

Dear Mr. Lehan:

It is a pleasure to inform you that you were appointed Measurer of Wood, Bark, and Manure by the Selectmen at the meeting of July 22, 1991, for a term ending June 30, 1992.

Sincerely,

Richard T. Reed

Town Administrator, Bedford, MA

WORKSHOP SERIES

New regulations highlight of workshop series: The Green Industry Council and the University of Massachusetts Cooperative Extension will sponsor a two day workshop series to introduce the industry to new state requirements relative to pesticide record keeping, the Drinking Water Protection Regulation, and the Endangered Species Act. To be held Tuesday, October 29, 1991 and Monday, November 4, 1991 at the Eastern Agricultural Center, 240 Beaver Street, Waltham, MA. Pesticide recertification credit available. Cost: \$20 per session; \$50

for the entire series. For more information, contact Phyllis Gillespie, Green Industry Council, P.O. Box 171, Sutton, MA 01590, 508-476-3007.

INFORMATION

Rich Caughey, Superintendent at Hatherly C.C., was married September 7, 1991 to Susan Karlberg in South Weymouth, MA.

John Winskowicz is a new salesman for Turf Products Corporation in Worcester, MA.

Glad to hear Don Hearn of Weston C.C. is out of the hospital as of early September after a brief illness.

Paul Miller has been recertified in the GC-SAA certification program.

If anyone had a member volunteer clean-up day after Hurricane Bob and think it would make an interesting story, call Kip Tyler at 508-532-2236 or 508-462-9272 (evenings).

MEMBERSHIP

Proposed New Members

Paul J. Wilson, Assistant Member, Whitinsville Golf Club, Whitinsville, MA; and Joseph Langley, Regular Member, White Mt. C.C., Ashland, NH.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Championship Results 8/1/91
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