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# With uncertainty at Chicopee's city course, Donald Nunes packs his bag and moves on

Only eight months ago then-Chicopee Country Club golf course superintendent Donald Nunes, CGCS, was beginning to see the light . . . that capricious glimmer of hope at the end of the tunnel. He and golf architect Geoff Cornish had helped the popular municipal course avoid a class action lawsuit by redesigning the signature affth hole where errant shots had been

ting the house and grounds of a boundary-bordering neighbor.

At the time Nunes was relieved, his future reinforced, and his sixth season as Chicopee superintendent appeared ready to resume without further incident. However, the pot was about to boil over. The course's concessionaire declared bankruptcy and rumors of alleged unpaid bills stirred thoughts that Chicopee Mayor Richard Kos, the city's golf commission, and other officials might turn to privatizing the course with leanings toward entering an agreement with a golf course management company.

So, just like that, the light at the end of the tunnel went dark for Nunes, who always had been considered one of the mainstays in a heretofore-efficient operation. Feeling his future was on the line and his family could be caught up in a wave of uncertainty, Nunes stuck his nose into the job market, applied for a job with the City of Worcester, and severed relations with his old employer.

"I resigned because I was upset and infused about the whole situation," Donald told *The Newsletter* early in January. "My family's needs come first with me. Everything around me seemed

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to be crumbling as the mayor and others sought what they considered ways to improve the situation at the golf course."

"When they hired a consultant, supposedly to make a proposal that would attract the interest of the golf course management companies, I thought, I should look around and see what was out there. As it turned out, I was very fortunate. I applied for the Worcester job and 12 days later I was hired. My position is project manager for that city's parks and recreation department. I'm in charge of capital improvements, with the first two projects being the town common and the city-owned Green Hill Golf Course."

If Chicopee decided to hook on with a golf course management company, Nunes said he worried that he'd either lose his job or be offered a short-term contract offering no job security. He attended one meeting of selected management companies and Chicopee officials while the exploration process was being set in motion.

"After the meeting, I met with a representative of one management group," he disclosed. "It was unsettling. I was told that the best they could offer me was that I'd be hired for one year with no guarantee the relationship would continue beyond that point. I came away from the meeting believing my expertise and knowledge would be replaced by someone else the second year of their contract with the city. That started me job-looking."

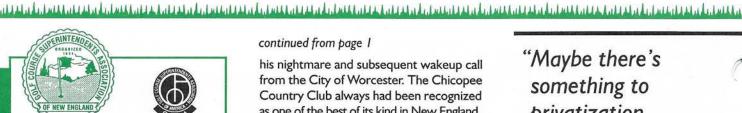
In retrospect, Nunes continues to be baffled by the chain of events that led to

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his nightmare and subsequent wakeup call from the City of Worcester. The Chicopee Country Club always had been recognized as one of the best of its kind in New England and beyond, especially its playing condition and appealing layout.

"I can't understand how all of this developed," he remarked. "The only major problem we had in my six years there was the golf ball episode. I'd thought we had that solved but now I hear stories about the possibility of redesigning the fifth hole again. It's just one boil-over of confusion and I suppose it doesn't stop with me. The golfers must be scratching their heads too."

"Actually, as far as the operation of the course this year goes, there isn't any reason to change a method of running the place. We all know that golf in general suffered from a decline in playing popularity. The numbers out there say that the national average of 12 percent in play supports that feeling. Well, we didn't follow the national flow. We had about 41,000 rounds this year, right in the same vicinity as last year. So, on that score, we had a good year."

"To the best of my knowledge, we've always turned a profit . . . usually in excess of \$100,000 annually after expenses are factored in for improvements, capital outlay, and the like. I really don't know what the city expects in that regard. I know all the talk of privatization and other things shook up my staff and me. Eventually, three of them were laid off and a fourth, my assistant, is ready to retire."

Nunes insists the uncertainty of his professional future forced him to explore other job opportunities even though he and his family were satisfied and happy with life in Chicopee. In fact, Mayor Kos, golf commission chairman James Low, and other Chicopee officials had nothing but nice words to say about the job Donald had done in his six years as head superintendent

"Maybe there's something to privatization I don't know about," he said. "I hear that other municipal and public courses are thinking about golf course management companies, or have even signed up to go in that direction. But there could be other reasons for thinking of change. Perhaps it's too big a headache for cities. They might want to let other people have that headache while still making money for the city. Regardless, they're playing with people's lives. I felt I just had to make this move."

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Whatever direction the City of Chicopee had or will take, it will do it without involvement by Donald Nunes. He has some regrets about leaving, but no second thoughts. "I'll just head to Worcester with the same energy and enthusiasm I showed in Chicopee," he leveled. "The overall fact is that I wanted what's best for my family. I'm sure it's the right move."

**GERRY FINN** 

#### CALENDAR . . .

April 23 **GCSANE Monthly Meeting** Joint Meeting w/Cape Cod GCSA Eastward Ho! Country Club Chatham Mass Supt. - Brian Cowan

May 12 Scholarship & Benevolence **Tournament** Wachusett Country Club West Boylston, Mass. Supt. - Matthew Marrone, CGCS

**GCSANE Monthly Meeting** lune 23 Shattuck Golf Club Jaffrey, N.H. Supt. - Paul Lautner

July 28 **GCSANE Monthly Meeting** Supt./Club Official Tournament LeBaron Hills Country Club Lakeville, Mass. Supt. - Mark Klimm

August 26 **GCSANE Monthly Meeting** Individual Championship Marlborough Country Club Marlborough, Mass. Supt. - Kenneth Crimmings

**GCSANE Monthly Meeting** Sept. 22 Townsend Ridge Country Club Townsend, Mass. Supt. - David Copeland

GCSANE Monthly Meeting October 6 Juniper Hills Golf Course Northborough, Mass. Supt. - Thomas Ackley, CGCS

November **GCSANE Monthly Meeting Annual 9-Hole Meeting** Norfolk Golf Club Norfolk, Mass. Supt. - Jason Adams

### The Super Speaks Out

**This month's question(s):** What results, if any, have you had using Proxy, Primo, Embark, or a combination for Poa seedhead suppression? Timing? Rates? What have you done with the snow on your greens? Nothing? Removed some? Removed all? If so, when, and how did/do they look?

Wayne LaCroix, CGCS Andover Country Club: As to the use of growth regulators, We use Primo at a fairly high rate (0.33 oz./m2ft.) starting the first of May and repeat monthly until the beginning of September. After the winter of 2000-01, we purchased cover for all our greens. They've been covered since 11/23/02. and we have monitored turf conditions monthly in a few small key locations. The turf looks very clean and healthy under the 60+ inches of snow we've received this season, starting in late November. Actually anywhere under that blanket of snow we see no significant accumulation of frost. Hopefully everything will drain a tle guicker without the frost.

Paul Miller, CGCS Nashawtuc Country Club: I have used Primo/Proxy on my fairways with great success. The rate was 5 oz./m Proxy and 5 oz./A Primo. There was no discoloration. Try to apply weeks before seedheads appear. This is usually around the time forsythia leafs out. I have investigated my areas most prone to ice damage, and they have shown no turf damage. What ice is there is of a porous variety. We did make channels through the snow to allow additional moisture and melting to escape off the surfaces of those greens in question.

Steve Carr, Pocasset Golf Club: I used the Proxy/Primo combination on greens for the first time in spring of 2002. I had wonderful success with seedhead suppression. It is hard to quantify what percent control I had because there was no test plot where products were not used. However, visually there was very little of the Poa population that seeded. Some reas where seedheads appeared had eeds in the boot prior to spraying. I plan on using the same combination this year, if the snow ever melts.

Patrick J. Daly, CGCS, Framingham Country Club: I have not used the Proxy/Primo mix. I was planning to use it this year. On greens, we are planning to apply it after the greens have been mowed (possibly by June if the snow isn't gone) in mid-April. The rates are 5 oz. for Proxy and 0.125 for Primo with 2 oz. of SeaQuential iron added for any discoloration. We plan to use 1 g./1000 spray volume. On fairways, we will use the same rates but instead using a 1.55 g./1000 spray volume. We have removed snow only on the four greens that have ice. We started this week using our Caterpillar skid steer that has tracks to remove snow. We are now picking away at the ice and trying to remove it by hand. The biggest problem is getting around the course. With close to 16" of snow still on the course, we spend more time getting ourselves unstuck than we do removing snow. We have been monitoring snow/ice levels since Feb. 14. At that time, we had two greens with ice as compared to 2001 when in January we had 19 out of 21 greens with ice. We removed a plug from each of those greens and after a few days inside, they look healthy. The remaining greens have aproximately 2" of packed snow on top, with the remainder of snow being loose granular to the greens cover. All the greens look green and healthy without the "smell of death."

Stephen B. Tibbels, CGCS, Acushnet River Valley Golf Course: Regarding growth regulators for Poa seedhead suppression. I have used Primo on greens, tees, and fairways for growth regulation primarily, although I have noticed that Poa seedheads are less evident because the growth of the plant is reduced. While seedheads are still there, they are less of an influence on ball roll and esthetics because they are suppressed in the turf

canopy, and the growth of the entire stand is more uniform. Rates are .10 oz./1000 every two-and-one-half to three weeks on greens (L93), tees (L93) and fairways (Bentgrass Blend) 0.25oz./1000 every three weeks. Regarding snow removal, we just started some removal of snow today (3/6/03) from greens which had ice accumulation. We wanted to remove the snow to examine the ice for depth and whether it was solid or fractured. We will remove the additional snows of today in order to expose the problem greens to sunlight in an attempt to melt ice. If this approach does not work within the next two weeks, we start removing the ice.

Kip Tyler, CGCS, Salem C.C.: I have used Embark, not Embark Lite, for many years on fairways for Poa annua seedhead control, usually in mid-April at 5 oz. per acre with iron added. The results are excellent, with no apparent yellowing. Last year was the first time I tried Proxy and Primo together for Poa annua seedhead control on greens. (Two applications on April 17 and May 6, at 5 oz. Proxy and .05 oz. Primo/1000 sq. ft.)

Orrin Ellis, Stone Meadow Golf: I used Embark for seed suppression at Lexington Golf Club back in the 1980s. and I had great results. There was a tremendous difference between where I applied the material and where I missed. The rate was the minimum on label. Primo has been my choice for the past six years. My greens are 95% Bent and I just want to slow down the Poa that I have. The Primo doesn't seem to affect seed production. The rate is 3/4 oz./M. The timing is approximately every four weeks. Snow is left on the greens. If we had Poa, I would try to remove the snow.

## President Fitzroy's reminder: Mark your calendar for the Centennial of Massachusetts Golf event

Golf in Massachusetts is blessed with a deep and rich history. We are pleased as an association to join the Massachusetts Golf Association in celebrating their centennial this year. The highlight of the year will be the Centennial of Massachusetts Golf Gala Event, which will be held Saturday, March 29, 2003 at the Fairmont Copley Plaza in Boston. Many local golf legends will attend, including Paul Harney and Bill Mallon. The goal of the event is to bring together the many diverse people who have played a role in the sport; including past champions, club officials, media, and players. Additionally, Becky Blaeser, Director of Communications, has informed me that Arnold Palmer is 90% sure that he can join us that day. I hope all the GCSANE members will make an effort to attend this great evening.

The Massachusetts Golf Association has entered into a purchase and sales agreement with the owners of the Wading River Golf Course in Norton. This course will be the new home of the MGA's Fore Kids program as well as being available for daily fee use. The MGA has requested golf course management assistance from our Association and Pat Daly, CGCS will chair

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

an ad hoc committee to assist the MGA in this endeavor. Should anyone be interested in helping, they should contact Pat.

Another GCSAA Conference and Show has been successfully completed. Please join me in thanking Mike Wallace for his time and service as a director, officer and his term as president. And congratulations go out to Tim O'Neill on his election as secretary/treasurer. I'm confident Tim will do a wonderful job on the executive committee and we all look forward to his term as president.

The Nor'easter Hospitality Room was very well attended and it is nice to be able to network with our peers from this area of the country. Our vice president,

Michael Hermanson, kept a very careful watch on the food situation. Mike would be happy to discuss the issue if you asked him. Bob Ruszala has offered to continue to represent our association at this event and I'm sure Bob would appreciate any help from those who are interested in continuing with the hospitality room.

I'm sure with the winter we have experienced we're all anxious to get back out on our courses and to play some golf again. Our first golf meeting will be April 23, 2003 at Eastward Ho! on Cape Cod; joint with the Cape association. Past President Brian Cowan always has the golf in prime condition and it is a wonderful venue to begin our 2003 golf season. I hope you will all make every effort to attend.

Finally, I hope your courses come through this severe winter in great shape and you all have a successful season.

James R. Fitzroy, CGCS President, GCSANE



A view of the Atlanta skyline . . . from the roof..

## GCSANE makes its presence known in Atlanta

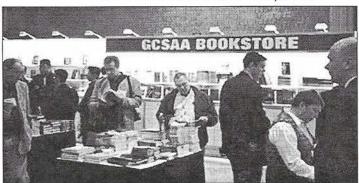
Scenes from the GCSAA International Golf Course Conference & Show Feb. 10-15, 2003



Above are **Ken Crimmings** (left) of Marlborough C.C. and **Michael Hermanson** of Gardner Municipal G.C.



Kip Tyler (left), CGCS, of Salem C.C. enjoys the show with Kernwood C.C.'s Dean Robertson.



Eager to absorb new knowledge, attendees check out the GCSAA bookstore.

## A golf course consultant expounds upon a range of personal & corporate liability issues

#### by Ron Smith Sports Club Management, Inc.

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has been very active in the state of Massachusetts this winter. There has been a flurry of enforcement activity throughout the state involving fines ranging from \$3,500 to \$137,500. More importantly, the fines have been levied against both large corporations (Lowe's Home Centers) and individuals.

Traditionally, enforcement activity involves the DEP prosecuting business entities (corporations, partnerships, agencies, limited liability companies, etc.) for various infractions, both accidental and willful, of existing environmental rules and regulations. Occasionally the DEP will target an individual who independently of a business entity commits a violation of an environmental rule or regulation. For cample, if the DEP was notified of an individual illegally dumping the waste oil generated when they changed the oil in their car at home they could take action against that individual.

There are times, however, when the DEP can prosecute an individual even when the violation occurred at work and/or involved a business entity. While this is rare, it occurs when the individual

knowingly and willfully commits the violation and the infraction itself is against company rules, practices, and policies. When an individual employee is held liable in lieu of the business entity, it is known as "piercing the corporate veil."

#### LEGAL ISSUES

An example of piercing the corporate veil recently occurred on Cape Cod. An employee at a golf course allegedly illegally dumped several pounds of snow mold. While his motive for committing this alleged violation remains the subject of speculation, the end result is the DEP is

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prosecuting him and not the golf course. The golf course was able to prove it did not either implicitly or explicitly authorize or support the illegal dumping activity and that the individual committed the violation acting on his own volition. If the course had not been able to prove it did not support and condone the act then the enforcement activity would have been directed toward them and not the individual.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) takes a similar approach when they investigate an occupational accident. If an accident occurs due to a decision or an action taken by an individual where known and existing safety rules and regulations are willingly ignored or circumvented by that individual in violation of company policies then OSHA will prosecute the individual involved.

A classic example I have seen too many times during my II years in the golf maintenance business is the decision by a superintendent to have the safety/kill switches bypassed on equipment. I know there are many logistical reasons where it appears to be a good decision to bypass the safety switch but the reality is such decisions could be extremely costly in terms of human suffering and monetary penalties. If an employee is injured on the piece of equipment where the safety switch was bypassed, and the failure of the bypass switch to work is seen as a contributing factor to the accident, then the superintendent could be personally held liable for that accident.

The best approach for avoiding personal liability for workplace environmental and safety violations and accidents is to adhere to the various rules, regulations, and laws. Any and all modifications to equipment should be performed according to the directions and guidelines of the manufacturer. If you can avoid the tempting shortcuts that circumvent safety rules and requirements then you can avoid being held personally liable for the resulting civil and criminal consequences associated with such violations.

### Remember When?: A look at GCSANE's past

Remember When? is a monthly look at the people and events of GCSANE's past.

#### 25 Years Ago

It had to happen sooner or later . . . the golf car has finally caught and passed the golf pro in revenue going into the public and private course cash register.

Which means the golf course superintendent, an innocent victim of damage mechanized cars have been known to cause on grounds he's hired to groom and maintain, will have to live with the realization he has to live with the turf-tearing devils.

It's true. When first introduced, golf cars had some reins on them. Medical restrictions on golfers were initial inroads to their use and gradually as they became a force in the all-important revenue-making aspect of the game; they graduated

#### **REMEMBER WHEN?**

from luxury to necessity. The change of status was made official when an independent study of the market showed that the average rental income from golf cars is \$41,866 compared to \$38,385 realized in pro shop gross sales.

So, the golf car has become an integral part of the golf scene. It does have its drawbacks, mostly because certain riders

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

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#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Welcome New Members: Tyler Cradler, Assistant Superintendent, Haverhill Country Club; Peter Kelleher, Assistant Superintendent, Indian Ridge Country Club; Joseph Smith Jr., Assistant Superintendent, Cedar Hill Golf Course; Thomas McManamin, Assistant Superintendent, Worcester Country Club; Jason Mulcahy, Affiliate, Lesco, Inc.; Kevin McDonough, Affiliate, R.F. Morse & Sons; and Jeffery James, Assistant Superintendent, Charter Oak Country Club.

**Proposed for Membership:** Sean Keating, Assistant Superintendent, Oak Hill Country Club.

#### INFORMATION

Congratulations to GCSANE member Anthony DeDominicis and his wife Alisa on the birth of their first child, Emma Rose, born on February 24.

**Best wishes** to GCSANE President James Fitzroy and Ms. Maureen Udstuen who were married on February 8, 2003.

Condolences to the family of on the recent passing of Phil Cassidy.

Congratulations to Andy Melone and his wife Sheri, sons Nathaniel(5 1/2), Connor (3 in May) on the birth of their third child. Andrew was born on February 19 weighing 8lbs., 6 oz. They are all doing well.

**Condolences** to Geoffrey Cornish and his family on the recent passing of Geoffrey's wife, Carol.

**Condolences** to Paul Miller, CGCS and his family on the sudden passing of Paul's granddaughter.

**Reminder:** Anyone who has not paid their dues in full by April 1st will not be allowed to attend future meetings until back dues are paid.

#### **POSITION OPENINGS**

Application Technician, Willowbend Club, Mashpee, Mass. Willowbend is a privately owned, private country club and residential development established on 400 acres on Cape Cod. In 2002, the construction of nine additional holes was completed. The grow-in will continue in 2003 as the club undergoes a transition to operate as a 27-hole facility in August. Willowbend annually hosts the PGA Celebrity Charity Pro-Am Tournament in June. Willowbend is operated under the umbrella of Willowbend Golf Management. The application technician will perform both liquid and granular applications of fertilizers and plant care products to all turf surfaces. Proper calibration and care of application equipment is expected. IPM scouting, mapping, and record-keeping will be required. Qualifications include a current Massachusetts applicators' license (or ability to obtain licensing); prior experience with plant care product applications; knowledge of integrated pest management principles; and knowledge of general golf course maintenance practices. The individual who fills this position will be relied upon as an integral member of the management team. Willowbend will provide opportunities to gain experience in areas of tournament preparation, crew leadership, project management, grow-in of the expansion holes, and the maintenance of a 27-hole facility. The two previous technicians moved into assistant positions after two seasons. Wages are negotiable. Compensation includes health and dental programs, 401(k) plan, two weeks paid vacation, uniforms, meal plan, holiday and sick pay, golf privileges, merchandise discounts, and education assistance. Housing may be possible. The position is open until filled. Please send resume to Mark Casey, Golf Course Superintendent, Willowbend, 100 Willowbend Drive. Mashpee, MA 02649; willowbendgolf@juno.com

Golf Course Superintendent, Country Club of New Bedford, North Dartmouth, Mass. The Country Club of New Bedford is a private 18-hole golf club established in 1902, and is a Willie Park/Donald Ross design. The greens are bent/poa mix, the fairways New England mix, and tees primarily bent. The course is a par 71, and measures 6116 yards. The golf course superintendent will maintain a top quality, tournament conditioned, private golf course; maintain all staffing requirements; develop, implement and adhere to an annual budget; and maintain all state and federal mandates applied to golf course operations. Individual will work with greens committee and board of governors on the development of a long-range plan for capital needs and improvements. Qualifications include three years of experience as a golf course superintendent, an applicable state license, and strong communication and personal skills. An associate's or bachelor's degree in golf course maintenance is preferred. Attention to detail is a must. Salary is commensurate with experience. Send resumes to: Superintendent Search Committee, c/o Country Club of New Bedford, 585 Slocum Road, North Dartmouth. MA 02747.

Second Assistant Course Manager, Cape Cod National Golf Club, Harwich, Mass. Cape Cod National is a privately owned, private club located in the towns of Brewster and Harwich, Mass. The course opened for play in 1998. Greens are L-93, with tees and fairways being a 50/50 blend of L-93 and Pennlinks. The irrigation system is a Rainbird with Nimbus software. Responsibilities include application of fertilizers and pesticides, general golf course maintenance, irrigation system maintenance, project supervision, plus day-to-day record-keeping as necessary. Requirements include a minimum of a two-year degree in turf, a pesticide applicators license, and two years overall golf course maintenance experience. Compensation is at an hourly rate. Benefits include health insurance after six months, retirement plan after one year, vacation, plus dues paid for professional associations and local conferences. Housing is possible. The position is open until filled. Please send resume to Steven Cadenelli, CGCS, Cape Cod National Golf Club, P.O. Box 1615, Harwich, MA 02645; Email: sgcccng@prodigy.net.

Second Assistant Superintendent, Haverhill Country Club, Haverhill, Mass. Haverhill Country Club is a private 18-hole country club built in 1925 by Wayne Stiles. Responsibilities include employee training and supervision, chemical spraying, fertilizer applications, the overall maintenance of a Toro 8000 irrigation system, and all other duties relevant to the management of a private golf course. Requirements include a minimum of a two-year degree in turfgrass management or comparable experience. Applicant must have at least two years of golf course experience, a working knowledge of an irrigation system, and be willing to obtain a Mass. Pesticide license within three months. Compensation is commensurate with experience, and includes excellent benefits and 401(k) plan. The deadline for resumes is April 1, 2003. Please send resume to Matt Behl, Superintendent, The Haverhill Country Club, Brickett Lane, Haverhill, MA 01861.

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fail to operate the vehicle judiciously. But it brings in more money than any of its pioneers ever dreamed. There are 16 million golfers out there and many of them ride their rounds. Those wheels are rolling the revenue. Alas, as always, money talks.

Brian Cowan, Eastward Ho! standard-bearer, finished tied for first place net in the GCSAA national tournament. He had rounds of 75 and 80 to tie Connecticut's Frank Lamphier. Guy Tedesco, golf director at New Seabury, finished third in the senior division of the same tournament. He had back-to-back rounds of 81. Applause goes to these GCSANE stars who played well in very cold and windy weather.

In order to keep expenses down, there will be no double postcards sent to members. Meetings will be announced with directions, time, place, and telephone number/address of the host superintendent. It will be up to each member to make reservations.

#### 15 Years Ago

Don Hearn didn't make any farewell address but did note that his experience this year as president of the GCSAA was fulfilling and rewarding.

Did Hearn think of himself as someone special, what with handling the heavy responsibility of heading a national organization? "Sure," he piped. "I was up there in the clouds for about 90 seconds. I came down to earth in a hurry. Hey, don't get me wrong. I enjoyed the exposure, the position. It always will be the highlight of my career, one of a kind stuff. But it didn't change me as a person. At least I don't think I acted any differently."

While in office Don oversaw the advancement of the GCSAA's certification program and championed a renewed effort to work harmoniously with other wings of the golf course administration, especially the PGA and its members.

As is his custom, Hearn performed his duties without histrionics, without fanfare as he guided the association ever onward.

The job he did mirrored his personality, character and work ethics. Bravo.

#### 10 Years Ago

GCSANE president Steve Chiavaroli announces that Tee & Green Sod, Inc. of Exeter, R.I. has offered to contribute to our Research Fund in a similar program as Read Sand and Gravel. Tee & Green Sod will donate \$2.00 per thousand feet of sod delivered to GCSANE members. The 1993 Research & Fund Tournament will be September 27 at Willowbend.

Here's a tip from this month's turf doctor, Dr. Noel Jackson: "Prevention of winter injury (to turf) depends on the adroitness of the golf course superintendent, plus the cooperation of the club members in recognizing that severe damage may be the result of playing the course under adverse conditions. Closing the course completely or suspending play on regular greens over the winter are measures I strongly recommend."

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