Factoids from GCSAA's 2000 Golf Leadership Survey

The GCSAA 2000 Golf Leadership Survey, a real-time, computerized, opinion poll conducted at GCSAA’s conference and show in New Orleans, examined the opinions of more than 1,700 superintendents on trends in golf and golf course management. The survey is designed to position the golf course superintendent as an expert in trends affecting the golf industry. Here are some of the results.

**Course Calamity**
Golf course superintendents across the nation were asked:
What single environmental or weather-related condition do you fear might negatively impact your course next year?
- Drought 50%
- Flood 12%
- Course Overcrowding 12%
- Restrictions on Pesticide Usage 12%
- Don’t Know 6%
- Tornado 3%
- Increase of Golf Pests 6%

**Etiquette Error**
Golf course superintendents across the nation were asked:
What single breach of golfer etiquette does the most damage to course conditions?
- Pounding green with putter or club 2%
- Not repairing ball marks 82%
- Not filling divots 10%
- Not raking bunkers 5%
- Don’t know 1%

**Presidential Partner**
Golf course superintendents across the nation were asked:
If you could play a round of golf with one U.S. President from the last century, who would it be?
- Kennedy 16%
- Eisenhower 13%
- Reagan 12%
- Theodore Roosevelt 11%
- Bush 8%
- Clinton 8%

**Water woes?**
Golf course superintendents across the nation were asked:
On average, are you using more or less water on the golf course today than you were 10 years ago?
- Somewhat less water 29%
- Much less water 12%
- Same amount 16%
- Somewhat more water 9%
- Much more water 24%
- Don’t know 10%