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As with any crop protection chemical, always read and follow instructions on the label.
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Orlando photographer Rummel Wagner caught, from left, Buck Buckner, Joe Ondo, Dave Oliver and Fred Klauk getting out of a Hunters Creek bunker under the watchful eye of FGCSA President Joel Jackson
Dear Golf Course Superintendent:

We hold ourselves responsible for a large area aerator you may have recently purchased that, in all honesty, does not live up to the highest level of quality you deserve. We apologize for not having the new Cushman® GA60 Large Area Aerator available for the fall aeration season. We're sorry, because the GA60 quite simply offers greater value and performance than any other competitive large area aerator on the market today.

If you have not yet purchased a large area aerator, we encourage you to wait a few months. Because if you wait, we won't feel badly...and neither will you.

You'll be able to purchase a Cushman Turf-Truckster™ and a GA60 for about the same money that our competitor asks for their tractor-pulled reciprocating fairway aerator alone.* The GA60 has its own power source for more consistent quality. And, it features the coring heads of the proven Ryan GA30, delivering higher quality holes for greens-caliber aeration.

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Cushman GA60's have been undergoing rigorous field-testing for nearly a year now, and they'll be demonstrated in many parts of the country this fall. Be watching for a demonstration in your area.

I'm confident that once you see the new Cushman GA60, you'll agree that it was well-worth the wait.

Sincerely,

Frank McDonald
Marketing Director

P.S. If you'd like more details on the Cushman GA60 Large Area Aerator, just call toll free 1-800-228-4444.

*Based on August '89 price survey.
OLD BUSINESS: I want to thank everyone for the cards, calls, and letters of support during my recent heart surgery and recuperation. Most of all, I want to publicly thank and praise my staff for the professional way they carried out their duties and responsibilities during my absence. I am very proud of them, and I am very fortunate to be working with such a fine group of people.

In our industry, it is sometimes very difficult to assemble and retain a staff of dedicated, professional, and loyal employees. If a club wants to have a first-class, efficient operation, it must make the commitment to provide good training and competitive wages and benefits. Combine those factors with a management style that includes communication, consistency, and caring, and you will create a winning team.

NEW BUSINESS: “The Greatest Show on Earth” is coming our way, and it will be in Orlando Feb. 19-26. That’s the 61st International Golf Course Conference and Show presented by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America. There will be 38 seminars and educational sessions, and 337,000 square feet of exhibits showcasing the latest in golf course equipment and products. This show has grown to become a member of the top 100 trade shows in America, and only because of the recent expansion of the Orange County Convention Center is it able to come to Florida.

Because we are hosting the conference this year, Florida superintendents who join the GCSAA before the conference will have their registration fees waived. That’s a saving of $165 at the door.

Certainly all current GCSAA members who have been unable to travel to Phoenix, Houston or Anaheim the last three years should take advantage of this opportunity and attend this year. You can be sure that the rising number of certified superintendents will be on hand to earn continuing education credits to qualify for re-certification.

For those who are not members of either your local superintendent association or the GCSAA, now is the ideal time for you to make a commitment to excellence by becoming a full partner in the golf industry. The education, information, and support you receive by being an active member is well worth the investment. And more importantly, your support is needed to help the golf industry build and maintain environmentally sound golf courses. As partners working together to support turf research, we can achieve that goal.

THIS ISSUE officially marks the retirement of Dan and Irene Jones as editor and assistant editor of The Florida Green. Words become very inadequate when you try to express the admiration and gratitude that over 600 superintendents in this association have for Dan and Irene. The dedication and hard work that they have invested in over 16 years of service to the FGCSA can never be repaid materially. But Dan and Irene, if you can measure the love and respect we have for you and what you have done for us, you will be wealthy for the rest of your lives. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

While Dan will shed the responsibility of producing the magazine, he will continue to contribute to The Florida Green as a writer and consultant.
The Hahn Multi-Pro 418 has all the features needed to enhance and maintain quality turf.

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GCSAA Tournament host killed in crash

On the day before the Florida GCSAA golf team was scheduled to conduct its first practice round over Hunters Creek GC in Orlando — one of two courses to be used by the championship flight in the GCSAA national championship Feb. 19-20 — the host superintendent was killed in a head-on collision on Interstate 4, only a few miles from his golf course.

John Jankiewicz, 42, died instantly when his car was struck head-on by a tractor-trailer shortly before noon on Dec. 1. The Florida Highway Patrol theorized that the driver of the truck fell asleep and crossed the median. Jankiewicz was on his way to Grand Cypress Resort, where he and Hunters Creek Head Professional Fred Fuhrman were scheduled to play a round of golf with two friends. Traveling in his own car a few seconds ahead of Jankiewicz, Fuhrman was unaware of the accident until late that afternoon.

"John was a bright example of a true professional who took immense pride in his work," said Joel Jackson, FGCSA President.

"He was very dedicated and loyal." Known for his team leadership, Jankiewicz kept his mechanic and his assistant superintendent, Craig Shelton, with him for more than 12 years. His spray and irrigation technicians had been with him for more than five years.

A native of Utica, N.Y. Jankiewicz was graduated from the University of Minnesota with degrees in business administration and agronomy. He began his career at The Bay Hill Club of Orlando. He was involved with the construction of the Deer Run GC in Casselberry and the Interlachen CC in Winter Park. Before moving to Hunters Creek to supervise its construction in 1984, Jankiewicz had been head superintendent at Errol Estate GC in Apopka for nine years.

In addition to his love for golf, he enjoyed fishing, diving and photography.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Orlando, the GCSAA and the Central Florida chapter of the FGCSA.

He is survived by his wife, June; his parents; and two brothers.

The Scandinavian Connection

In a sense, it's only fitting.

Of all the areas in the world, golf is growing fastest in Florida and in Scandinavia, the countries that form the northern coasts of the Baltic and North Seas — Norway, Sweden, Finland and Denmark.

It shouldn't be surprising, therefore, that an aspiring golf course superintendent from Finland, which has 35 golf courses in operation and 20 more under development, should choose to take his training at Lake City Community College’s School of Golf Course Operations.

And this past summer, the Jacobsen Division of Textron, Inc., brought 90 superintendents from the four countries to Florida to observe golf course maintenance practices after getting tours of the company’s plants in Racine, Wis., and Charlotte, N.C.

That the two exchanges were entirely unrelated only underscores the growing importance of Florida as a world leader in the golf industry.

This past summer, Jarkko Lahdensuo, now a junior in LCCC’s three-year program, returned to his homeland for the first of his two required summer OJT programs. And, with the Finnish Sports Institute and the Finnish national airline — Finnair — picking up the expenses, he brought classmate Bruce Chestnutt with him.

Furthermore, the two national institutions brought John Piersol, chairman of the LCCC golf course operations program, into the country for 12 days to check on the turf management programs at their golf

90 superintendents from Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden observed maintenance techniques at Doral CC in Miami and Grand Cypress Resort in Orlando. The superintendents also toured the Jacobsen plants in Racine, Wis., and Charlotte, N.C.
Two students from Lake City Community College did their summer OJT in Finland. Their instructor visited them for 12 days.

fields.

While there, he conducted a turf management seminar and field day and, of course, checked up on his students.

"This was an outstanding experience for me," said Piersol. "The people have really taken to the game, which they view as a family activity that provides enjoyable recreation and exercise.

"No one rides golf carts. In fact, they don't even know about carts. The Fins have a great attitude toward the game that I hope they maintain."

Another Finnish attitude Piersol admires is their "green card" system.

"No one can play golf until he has a green card," Piersol reports.

Golfers obtain their green cards by passing written and practical tests on the rules of golf, etiquette and basic skills.

"Since golf is growing so rapidly, many pros spend much of their time giving 'green card' lessons," he says. "It's a great system that assures that everyone has some basic knowledge before getting on to the course."

Agronomically, the Finns have a lot of catching up to do, Piersol says. Greens construction is a particularly vexing problem.

"The concept of the USGA green was just presented to the Finnish golf
industry by Jarkko this past summer. He showed the new USGA greens construction tape to a group of Finnish greenkeepers.

"Jarkko's American training at LCCC makes him a highly respected individual in Finland."

Although many native bentgrasses grow wild throughout Scandinavia, the common grasses for Finnish tees and fairways has been bluegrass and fescue. Greens generally are fescue. The LCCC students introduced the Finns to Penncross, Penneagle and Penway bentgrasses this past summer.

"There is no formal turf management education available in Finland," Piersol says. "That's why they came to LCCC for help."

Coming the other direction were 90 superintendents who were the guests of ORAG Inter AG, the European distributor of Jacobsen equipment. They spent two weeks in the U.S. for a "learning experience with a little fun mixed in," according to Neils-Erik Brems, ORAG's representative in Denmark.

In addition to their plant tours and visits to Doral CC in Miami and Grand Cypress Resort in Orlando, the supers toured the University of Minnesota's Department of Horticulture.

"The purpose of this trip is to educate the superintendents on what's being done here in the United States," Brems said. "They can then go back and educate their boards of directors and greens committees on what can be done to improve their courses."

Jarkko Lahdensuo examines a soil core sample while explaining the concept of USGA green specifications.

Ross course in Orlando undergoes renovation

The Country Club of Orlando will celebrate its 80th birthday this summer by getting a facelift. The venerable Donald Ross layout, which was begun in 1910 and opened in 1912, will be completely renovated under the direction of architect Brian Silva, the noted Ross scholar. Silva's business partner is Geoff Cornish, author of the seminal history of golf course history in the United States.

Although Ross himself never visited the Orlando site, Silva said he is "very comfortable" that Ross did the layout and that the course was one of several hundred built by one of his principal construction superintendents, according to CCO Superintendent Cary Lewis.

The greens will be rebuilt to modern

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**Horticultural Society honors tree author**

David Wedge, a horticultural consultant whose articles on trees appear frequently in *The Florida Green*, was honored at the Florida State Horticultural Society's annual meeting in Tampa last fall for his paper describing a West Palm Beach program to re-introduce flowering trees.

He received a silver medal and $200 honorarium for the best paper in the Garden and Landscape section of Vol. 100, *FSHS Proceedings.*