Hunter Industries' publications deal with saving water

Water perhaps is Topic A among golf course superintendents. Two recent publications by Hunter Industries, San Marcos, Calif., treat that valued commodity in detail.

Hunter Industries has released a 64-page catalog dealing with sprinklers designed for golf courses, sports fields, public areas, residential and commercial applications. Performance charts with water distribution data are supplied for each Hunter sprinkler, along with information on installation and adjustment, replacement charts, bidding specifications and matched precipitation rates.

"The Case For Reclaimed Water" is an informative brochure which discusses the use of reclaimed water in landscape irrigation systems. The brochure notes: "Few issues are as important and critical as the availability of water in many of the fastest-growing areas of the nation. In states such as California, Arizona and Florida, use of reclaimed water increases daily. "Reclaimed water treated to the highest degree, called 'tertiary treatment,' may be used for virtually any purpose except drinking. Reclaimed water frequently is used to irrigate golf courses, parks, schoolyards, athletic fields, freeway landscaping, residential common areas and greenbelts, and all types of agriculture."

In parts of Arizona, permits will not be issued to build golf courses unless project plans specify reclaimed water for irrigation. In Irvine, Calif., residents have no choice. The water district delivers either potable or reclaimed water based on use.

"In Cape Coral, Fla., water where a water pump is pulled from wells, and salt water has depleted groundwater basins, there now is a dual-piping system which will carry reclaimed water to residences for landscape irrigation. "Public acceptance of reclaimed water utilization has come a long way."

In 1980, a public opinion poll suggested that few backed widespread use of reclaimed water. Now, with increasing concern over water shortages and greater confidence in wastewater treatment processes, 90 percent of those polled recently had no objections to use of this product. "Reclaimed water is helping to conserve our most precious natural resource.""... Hunter Industries has also released a new illustrated poster depicting historical developments in irrigation.

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Book features Hawaii's best

SAN FRANCISCO—"Golf Courses of Hawaii," by Tom Ramsey, explores virtually every great course on Hawaii's six major islands. Forty layouts are featured, with course maps, descriptions and full-color photography by John Knight.

The book, 208 pages with 300 full-color photographs, highlights the 17th hole at Mauna Lani, surrounded by lava beds; the Jack Nicklaus-designed Kiele course in Maui; Oahu's new Ko Olina with its gently rolling hills, saltlakes and waterfalls; the Waialae, home of the Hawaiian Open; Kahaluu on Molokai, one of golf's best-kept secrets; and Mauna Kea, where golfers must carry 210 yards of windy Pacific space to set up par or birdie on the third hole.

The guide touches on the history, design features and visual splendors of each course, and includes a comprehensive course directory with the addresses of all Hawaii courses, their size and par ratings.

Robert Trent Jones Jr. wrote the foreword. Price is $39.95.

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Kirk M. Mills is the author, Mills and Associates the publisher. Price is $11.95.

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NGF catalog lists 300 publications

JUPITER, Fla.—The National Golf Foundation's fall-winter catalog includes nearly 300 publications on virtually every aspect of the golf business.

New is a section devoted to golf and the environment. Other featured topics include facility development and operations, golf market research and rules and instruction.

For a free copy, write National Golf Foundation at 1150 South U. S. Hwy. One, Jupiter, Fla. 33477 or call 800-733-6006.

Video documents golf's contribution

LAWRENCE, Kan.—"Links with Nature: Golf Courses and the Environment," a 14-minute video produced by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, documents the positive ecological impacts of golf courses.

"It will help the golf industry respond to misconceptions about golf courses and how they're managed," according to John M. Schilling, GCSAA executive director.

"Links With Nature" highlights benefits often overlooked and cites independent research findings that ally public concerns. The video discusses how golf courses can provide direct benefits for soil, water, air and wildlife. Outlined is the role golfcourse superintendents play in managing property responsibly.

Copies of GCSAA's new Greentips fact sheet series also may be ordered with the tape.

The videotape is $20 for GCSAA members, $30 for non-members. To order call 913-832-4480.