**PESTICIDE RESEARCH ABSTRACTS**

RICHMOND, Va. — The Fourth National Research Conference on Pesticides, held for Nov. 1-3, is titled “New Directions in Pesticide Research, Development, Management and Policy.” Abstracts to be published for distribution at the conference still are being accepted by Dr. Diana L. Weigmann, Virginia Water Resources Research Center, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, 617 North Main St., Blacksburg, Va. 24061-3397.

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**BEST SAND PICKS STIMMEL**

CHARDON, Ohio — Jeffrey Alan Stimmel, a turfgrass management student at Ohio State University, was named a member of the golf course maintenance crew at Scioto Country Club, near the Ohio State campus in Columbus. Scholarship applications are available from school advisors or Stuart Lipp at Best Sand, 800-237-4986.

**HORTON HIRED AT PEBBLE BEACH**

Ted Horton, former superintendent and director of golf at Westchester Country Club in New York, took over March 1 as manager of superintendents for the Pebble Beach Co. in Monterey Peninsula, Calif. Horton, who has been working with a golf management firm and living in Manassas, Va., will oversee maintenance at Pebble Beach Golf Links, Spyglass Hill Golf Course, The Links at Spanish Bay and Old Del Monte Golf Course. He succeeded Edward Miller.

**MILLER JOINS DESERT HIGHLANDS**

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Edward J. Miller, the subject of our Super Focus in February, has moved from The Pebble Beach to Desert Highlands Golf Course as director of golf course operations and amenities maintenance. Miller is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin - La Crosse, and studied turfgrass management at Pennsylvania State University.

**WANTZ OUTFIT IN COURSE**

John Wantz has been hired as golf course superintendent at Due Process Stable, Inc., in Colts Neck, N.J. A Pennsylvania State University graduate and certified golf course superintendent, Wantz will oversee construction and grow-in of the Johnny Miller track, scheduled to open in 1994.

**MAINTENANCE**

**NICKLAUS TURF FIRM EXPANDS**

NORTH PALM BEACH, Fla. — Golturf, a worldwide agronomic and maintenance golf course consulting firm, has expanded its golf course services. A division of Golden Dear International, Golturf will assist in planning and development, agronomy/consulting and planning, maintenance services, and golf course improvement.

"The Golturf staff has been providing the premier agronomic and maintenance in the golf course industry for 30 years," said Edward A. Etchells. "By expanding our operation, we will be able to better service new and existing clients." Golturf’s credentials include work on 10 of the U.S. Top 100 golf courses as well as sites to more than 100 professional golf tournaments around the world. Among Golturf’s clients is Muirfield Village Golf Club in Dublin, Ohio.

Golturf, which has serviced Nicklaus-designed golf courses for more than 20 years, provides agronomic and turfgrass consulting and environmentally responsible maintenance consulting to new and established golf courses around the world.

**Grow-in challenges can be beaten**

**BY TERRY BUCHEN**

I have grown-in 11 new golf courses and had the pleasure of working with some of the best golf course architects and builders in this country. The following checklist not only shows the many responsibilities the superintendent will endure, but also some of the unexpected duties that inevitably pop up. This checklist has particular chronological order as each project has its own priorities and circumstances:

- **Secure temporary and/or permanent electricity for irrigation pumping house.** Utility companies can take up to six months, sometimes longer. Secure electric generators as a contingency measure.
- **Build turf nursery of all grasses used on golf course.**
- **Zones**

Consultants to the flower beds, the manicuring of the trees into the mess to clean up and have the course ready for member play on Tuesday.

**Tour of Duty**

**DAVID R. JOHNSON**

Mission Hills Country Club Rancho Mirage, Calif.

LPGA’s Nabisco Donah Shore March 25-28, ESPN (Th-Fri; Su-AFC Sat-Sun)

DAVID R. JOHNSON

John Johnson, 33, is glad he forsook business in the golf course industry for 30 years, "I've been a golf course superintend..." he said, "We min green paint with regular sand in a cement mixer, then follow the last groups around and fill in all the divots behind them."

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**DAN DUPREE**

Weston Hills Country Club Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

PGA’s Honda Classic March 11-14, NBC

**DWIGHT KUMMER**

Arnold Palmer’s Bay Hill Club Orlando, Fla.

PGA’s Nestle Invitational March 18-21, NBC

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