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Bag rack the best of all worlds for both grounds crew, golfers

By TERRY BUCHEN

GALENA, Ohio — At the Double Eagle Club here we designed a bag rack for our practice area that does more than simply hold a set of clubs.

Our rack holds even the largest golf bag available and has a bucket of water, cleaning brush and two towels for club cleaning; and wooden golf tee holder that doubles as a paper cup/aluminum can holder with beveled edges. They are made of pressure-treated wood, glued and screwed together for added strength. They have multiple coats of water sealer applied for protection from irrigation and the elements, and are painted with two to three coats of glossy enamel, the traditional hunter green.

Costs for materials and labor are about $50 to $75 each, which includes the black bucket.

The water is changed as needed, and our maintenance staff moves the racks daily so the turf on the teeing ground will not turn yellow.

As well as being functional, the bag racks are a conversation piece and we receive many nice comments from our membership and their guests.

(Blueprints of the bag rack are available by calling Buchen at 614-548-6644.)

Dr. Beard writing turfgrass history

Ann Arbor Press has announced the signing of a new book by Dr. James B. Beard. Turfgrass History of Golf, Sports and Lawns will be available later this year. This project represents a lifetime of research, and literature collecting by one of the world’s most respected turfgrass scientists.

“I think this book will create high interest in some of the early books, reports, and other publications,” said Skip DeWall, president of Ann Arbor Press. “Dr. Beard and I are grateful to the U.S. Golf Association for funding part of the research.” While accumulating his extensive collection, Beard has visited every major library and private collection worldwide.

Turfgrass History of Golf, Sports and Lawns will provide biographical information on every published author, rarely seen photos from early publications, common management practices from the earliest days of golf, and will discuss the organizations contributing to turfgrass science, and give descriptions, abstracts, and excerpts from hundreds of pieces of literature.

It will be available in December. For more information contact Ann Arbor Press, P.O. Box 310, Chelsea, Mich. 48118; 800-858-5299.

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