



AILEY, Idaho - Since breaking into the golf business as a 24year-old superintendent at a ninehole executive facility in the Milwaukee area, Stephen E. Maas has advanced in the profession.

The certified golf course superintendent is now working at The Valley Club here, an 18-hole private facility which opened in July 1996. The road to The Valley Club, which began in Milwaukee,



continued for four years as superintendent at Southglen Country Club in Littleton, Colo. He then earned a twoyear turfgrass certificate from Penn State University during the off-season and in-

terned as the assistant during construction and grow-in at Country Club of Castle Pines. Since then he has been heavily involved in construction, including superintendent posts at Coeur D'Alene in Idaho and on projects in southern Illinois and Missouri.

Tools of the Trade... at Maas' The Valley Club



The Valley Club's maintenance shop includes a chain hoist (foreground), second-floor mezzanine storage and work area above the offices, a fireproof storage cabinet and 10-by-10-foot garage door.

Greens Mowers: 3 Toro 1000, 3 John

Tee Mowers: Jacobson Greensking IV. Toro Greensmaster 3000

Fairway Mowers: 3 Toro 5300D Rough Mowers: 2 Toro 216D, Ransomes Jaguar 6150, Toro 325D, Toro 4500D

Riding Bunker Rake: Toro Sandpro 5000

Turf Utility Vehicles: 8 Club Car Carry-

alls, Dihatsu Hijet, Toro 5200 Verti-Cut Reels: Set for Jacobson Normal green speed: 9.3

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OLDEST PIECE OF EQUIPMENT: 1980 TORO GREENSMASTER 3

Greensking IV

Aerifiers: Vertidrain 7316, Ryan Renovaire, Toro HydroJect 4000

Topdressers: Tycrop Metermatic Turfco F15B, Toro 5200 Spreader

Grooming Reels: None

Tournament Speed Roller: Set for

Jacobson Greensking IV Reel Grinder: Foley Accu 610 Bedknife Grinder: Foley Accu 610

Irrigation Pump Station: Flowtronics PSI (2400 GPM)

Irrigation System: Cirrus

Golf Car Fleet: 45 Club Car electric Flagsticks: Standard Royaline 8-foot with

tube-lock swivel Computer & Accessories: Dell Optiplex

GX1 Primary herbicide: Trimec 899 Primary pesticide: Dursban Pro Primary fungicide: Engage 4F

Primary slow-release fertilizer: IBDU Square footage of the maintenance

building(s): 6,000 square feet Annual rounds of golf: 18,000

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