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HYBRID BERMUDAS

Wally Williams, Murphy, N. C., heads Tomahawk Development Corp. that is to build 9-hole course near Murphy . . . Cal Nordstrom and others to build nine near Green River, Wyo. . . . Jess Kauffman is construction supt. and will continue with the club.


Eddie Greenwald, 56, for past 30 years owner and operator, Currie Park range, Milwaukee, Wis., died of a heart attack on the 9th fairway Milwaukee CC, May 21, while watching his sons, Guy and William, compete in a U. S. Open qualifying round . . . Eddie, with his brothers Phil (pro at Hinsdale Ill.) CC and Elmer, range owner at Miami, Fla., had started in golf as Milwaukee CC caddies . . . Eddie served as pro at Indian Lake CC, Manistique, Mich., and at Merrill (Wis.) CC prior to starting the Currie Park range . . . His widow, sons, Guy and William, daughters, Susan and Delone, and his two brothers survive him.

Valley View GC 18 opens at New Albany, Ind. . . . Bus Schulz is pro . . . Bill Diddle designed the course . . . Frank Zoeller is pres. . . . Marco Marinello buys Wyckoff Park G&CC in Holyoke, Mass., the only 18-hole course there . . . Marinello had operated the course for seven years with option to buy . . . Building second nine of Indian Hills CC, Tuscaloosa, Ala. . . . Jackie Maness is pro.

Reservation GC, Mattapoisett, Mass., celebrated its 67th year by building a new course maintenance headquarters for veteran supt., Gil Johnson . . . Bill Casey now supervisor at O. B. Keeler course in Marietta, Ga. . . . Getting big play is the recently opened Veterans South Branch Parkway municipal course at Springfield, Mass. . . . Johnny Raimondi is pro.

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During clearing for construction of Diplomat CC's second 18 at Hollywood, Fla., workmen ran across a moonshiner's still . . . Plum Brook CC, Sandusky, O., spending $250,000 enlarging and modernizing clubhouse . . . They're talking about a near-miracle at Salt Lake CC, Salt Lake City, Ut., where course revision with 18 new greens (Ralph Plummer, architect) and complete new watering system didn't beat members out of one day's play . . . Salt Lake CC supt. is Robert Shouse . . . Deercrest CC, Greenwich, Conn., bought by Mal Deitch and Dr. Joseph Goodstein who operate Shorehaven Beach Club . . . Change the Deercrest name to Green Hills CC.

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Joseph Belin, Milwaukee real estate man, to build course in Franklin in Milwaukee's south suburban area . . . Mickey Lane from Crystal Spring GC, Haverhill, Mass., to pro job at Bradbury CC . . .

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(The second part of this article will appear in July Golfdom.)

Thatch Elimination

Q: I have just taken over a Club through an entirely new change in management. I am in charge of the course as well as golf, so I would appreciate your opinions and comments on the following.

We have under the greens, one of the heaviest cases of matting that I have ever seen. The thatch will, I am sure, measure between 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 inches. This is on every one of the nine greens. My plan is as follows: Aerate a minimum of three times this season, with a very extensive triple aerating in the fall. Topdress after each aerating, using three parts sharp sand mixed with one good soil, plus fertilizer. On some of the greens that have had snowmold, use the same methods, but seed amply those spots.

Due to the close knit of Astoria bent, some of the staff are reluctant to topdress, feeling that any amount of topdressing will choke out the grass now on the greens. Due to the lack of previous topdressing, these greens are very humpy, and of course the ball does not have a chance to roll true, despite the fact that ample S-6-4 is used, along with a high liquid nitrogen application. It is my opinion that we will not be able to have smooth greens unless we smooth them up with a reasonable amount of topdressing.

Feeling that the greens are well built for drainage, some want to strip the greens this fall, cut the sod from the greens barely below the thatch line, recondition the soil underneath the greens and replace the sod.

I feel that continued aerating, plus my plan outlined above, will eventually bring the thatch under control. Please advise what you believe is the best method to use in this case. (New York.)

A: The aerating - topdressing - fertilizing plan is the most sensible, everything considered. Your greatest need now is to provide the best greens possible for your players. You may be sure that light topdressings of the 3-1 mix will not choke the grass. Heavy applications could cause
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trouble. How weed-free is the soil?

Your best approach is to aerate to remove the thatch. The green will be as smooth as, or smoother than it was when you started, if you topdress lightly to true the putting surface.

The plan to strip and then re-lay the sod in the fall after reconditioning the soil leaves me cool. No provision seems to have been made for getting rid of the trouble. If the sod were to be cut just below the thatch line and then replaced, you would ask for trouble. In reseeding, we suggest Penncross bent seed at no more than ½ lb. to 1,000 sq. ft.

**Brush or Comb**

Do not neglect the very important considerations of having a brush or comb on the greenmowers. Also, occasional vertical mowing for thinning the turf and preventing accumulation of thatch is recommended.

Have you determined under what management conditions the deep thatch was able to accumulate? How often and how closely are the greens mowed? Are they kept saturated so that organic material cannot decay?

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**British Foundation Has 12,000 Kids Learning Golf**

British Golf Foundation, in its ninth year, reports that 12,000 boys and girls in 480 schools have received golf instruction through the Foundation program. In addition, 3,837 youngsters have had Foundation instruction services through an arrangement with the Central Council of Physical Education. The Foundation's work with the Ladies' Golf Union in a training plan also has been highly effective.

British golf manufacturers contributed the equivalent of about $9,000 to the Foundation’s budget. British PGA members, in their “week” of fund raising for the Junior golf education project, raised about $3000. The British Golf Foundation operates about $6,000 in the red for the year.

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