RENOVATION AT EDENVALE

by KEVIN BENSON

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The back nine at Edenvale Golf Club in Eden Prairie is partially built on peat. Two of those holes, numbers ten and twelve, were primarily peat and had been steadily collapsing over the past five years, making them almost unplayable.

The renovation begins with number ten being plowed up and a pond being dug which would provide needed soil for the project. This surface was rough graded and cleaned of rocks which provided the surface for the fabric underliner from Dupont. The fabric was put down only on the projected fairway. The fabric was then covered over with a mixture of existing peat and hauled in black dirt. The fabric was designed to let moisture pass up and down through the fabric while preventing the topsoil to mix with underlaying soil.

The twelfth hole is located next to a new development. The development provided a gravelly clay that was hauled in and laid approximately three feet deep on top of the collapsing peat. This surface was covered with one foot of black dirt. The surface is showing no signs of any collapsing.

Both holes were seeded with a 70% perennial rye 30% bluegrass mix. Both were seeded in mid-May and ready for play in six weeks. By the next summer the tenth hole with primary peat surface was an excellent playing surface. The twelfth was slightly more sparse. Both were primarily rye. The following winter 1984–85 killed most of the rye. The dead rye has started to give way to Poa Annua partially due to a new electric watering system from which has given us the ample irrigation to support Poa.

ASSOCIATES CORNER

by TOM MUNDY

Sales Manager
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E-Z-GO Upper Midwest would like to introduce itself to the superintendents of Minnesota. We opened for business last December at 3850 Annapolis Lane in Plymouth. We have picked up an experienced service staff which is headed by our Service Manager, Steve Bjorngaard. Steve has been with E-Z-GO for ten years. Our staff also consists of quality service technicians to better serve our many customers. I have been in the golf car industry in the past and along with Steve and the rest of us we look forward to serving you.

We now carry a complete inventory of parts and accessories at our new location. Our forty-car tournament fleet consists of 1983 four-wheel E-Z-GO's and is available by appointment. We also sell and lease the number 1 golf car in the world, which can be financed through our sister company, Textron Finance.

Recently, we have purchased the Eagle Vehicle line which consists of Personnel Carriers, Bar cars and many other commercial vehicles. Along with our turf vehicles such as the GX800, GT7 and other turf vehicles, we can provide your golf courses with all these vehicle needs.

Being a member of the MGCSA has given me the opportunity to meet many superintendents this year and I sincerely look forward to meeting all of you in the very near future.

A minister had reached that point in the service where the collection was to be passed. "And now, brethren," he said, "let us all give in accordance with what we reported on Form 1040."