St. Louis Superintendent Wins GCSAA Golf Competition

After a first-round 77 at Orlando’s Hunters Creek GC, Roger Null, CGCS, came back with a 72 on The New Course at Grand Cypress to win the 1990 GCSAA Golf Championship.

For the first time in several years, the weather did not play a factor in the tournament.

Wind, rain and cold temperatures had wreaked havoc at recent GCSAA championships. Sunshine and 80-degree temperatures prevailed as Null captured his second championship in seven years.

In winning, the superintendent at Norwood Hills CC in St. Louis, Mo., took home the Bobby Jones Trophy and the USGA traveling trophy.

Null, comparing this victory to his first GCSAA Championship title seven years ago, said, “In 1983, I came in and just tried to play as good as I could, and it (winning) just happened. This second time really got hard. I had a bad first round, but got a great start on the second round. Grand Cypress really played to my style.”

Only one stroke behind Null, with a gross score of 150, was Chuck Green, superintendent at Florence (S.C.) CC. However, Green’s net score was good enough to nab the Championship Flight net division title.

The Carolinas GCSA #1 team earned the Scottish Trophy for winning the gross division of the chapter team competition. Members were Chuck Green, Dave Powell, Gary Bennett, CGCS, and Dyrock Fanning.

The Frank Lamphier Trophy, awarded to the winner of the net division of the chapter team competition went to the Connecticut GCSA #5. The Connecticut entry was made up of Ray Beaudry, CGCS, Ted Maddocks, Mike Reeb and Mike Wallace, CGCS.

Five hundred seventeen competitors teed it up for this year’s championship, contested at five Orlando courses: the Palm, Magnolia and Lake Buena Vista courses at Walt Disney World, Hunters Creek GC and The New Course at Grand Cypress Resort.

Other individual flight winners were:

1st Flight (6-10 handicap)—Robert Prickett, gross; David J. Brown, net.

2nd Flight (11-15 handicap)—Anthony Grieco, gross; Noel Villarreal, net.

3rd Flight (16-20 handicap)—Britt Pollock, gross; Steve Van Acker, net.

4th Flight (21-25 handicap)—Stephen Wilson, gross; Alex Galaviz, net.

5th Flight (26 or higher handicap)—Mike Wallace, CGCS, gross; Jeff Broadbelt, net.

Edina’s Bill Johnson Places 5th in Senior I Competition at Orlando

Bill Johnson, Superintendent at Edina Country Club, has a new pewter plate to display.

Bill shot a 79-80-159 to capture fifth place in the 1990 Senior I golf competition during the 1990 GCSAA International Conference in Orlando, Fla.

He finished 10 strokes behind the winning low Senior I gross of 149 posted by Corey Eastwood, San Diego, Calif.

Minnesota’s team, represented by Johnson; Jim Lindblad, Wayzata CC; Paul Mayes, Brackett’s Crossing, and Mike Olson, Golden Valley, finished “in the middle of the pack” among the 75 teams entered.

More than 200 persons enjoyed “Minnesota Hospitality Night.”