MGCSA Turf Tourney Raises $6,110 For Research and Education

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Eighteen Minnesota golf clubs and one from Wisconsin opened their courses to help the Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents' Association raise $6,110 for turf research with their 12th annual MGCSA Turf Tourney.

In this competition players get the opportunity to play some private courses they normally don't play. Seventy-six players participated in the competition which ran from June 8-11.

Proceeds will be directed toward various research projects including a top dressing study by Donovan Taylor, primarily focused on how winter and different top dressing material affects various types of turfgrass; University of Minnesota projects involving the study of winter cover and dollar spot and contributions for research by the O.J. Noer Foundation, the United States Golf Association, the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America and the Musser Foundation.

"We really appreciate the cooperation of so many golf courses," said MGCSA president Jim Nicol, CGCS, Hazeltine National. "Research done today pays big dividends in the future."

Participating courses this year were Braemar, Dellwood Hills, Edina, Edinburgh, Golden Valley, Hillcrest, Izaty's, Mankato, Mendakota, Midland Hills, Minneapolis, North Oaks, Northland, Southview, Stillwater, The Pines at Grand View Lodge, Wayzata and Woodhill in Minnesota and St. Croix National in Wisconsin.