Aah, It’s Almost Over!

Is anyone ready for this season to come to an end? I have never been more ready. Explaining why we can’t allow golf cars on the course when there are lakes in the fairways is getting a little old. Not to mention all the nuances that go with heat and humidity on turf. Then to have 90 degree temps in September. The cold breezes we are feeling today sure make it a lot easier to relax.

Beautiful Day at Craguns

Thanks to Tom Kientzle, CGCS at Cragun’s for allowing us to use the Legacy course for our MGCSA Golf Championship. The guys I golfed with were a lot of fun and the weather was great. The course played a lot tougher than most of us hoped, but I believe a good time was had by all. Thanks Tom.

Pesticide Recertification

Just another reminder, anyone who did not go through their pesticide license recertification last year will need to do so before December 31, 2002. The MDA, MGCSA and MTGF have been working to set up a couple of dates for recertification. The events still available are at Minnesota Valley CC on October 15th and another at Madden’s Golf Resort on November 5th. The MTGF has sent out registration sheets so sign up if you haven't fulfilled your requirement yet. Also there are many more dates at other facilities, just contact the MDA for times and places.

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The Stodola Scramble was held on Monday, September 23. Our host for the event was Rick Fredrickson, CGCS. Despite the cool weather, everyone had a wonderful time and as always the golf course was fantastic. Thanks, Rick.

Great Job Matt and Keith!

Interlachen C.C. looked great for the Solheim Cup as did Oak Ridge for the Jr. Solheim Cup. Both Matt Rostal, Interlachen, and Keith Scott, Oak Ridge did wonderful jobs of preparing the golf courses for these prestigious events. While my schedule didn't permit me to visit Interlachen in person, the angles from the television looked wonderful and from the sounds of the comments from players it was a great venue for this championship. I also saw one of the early morning interviews Matt did on television and while he looked a little tired, he did a wonderful job of representing our profession. Now that Matt has a major event under his belt, I can't wait too see the course for the 2008 U.S. Women’s Open.

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