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The M.G.C.S.A. members who attended the June meeting at Austin Country Club were treated to a very beautiful day.

The day's events started with a fine demonstration of elm tree injections. Many thanks to Dr. David French and his associates for putting on this demonstration.

Approximately 65 golfers teed it up and enjoyed a really testing golf course. Leif Erickson had the course in really great shape.

Prior to the delicious buffet dinner, prizes for the golf tourney were presented. Some of the winners were: Dave McDermott, low net; Russ Adams, low gross; John Nylund and Mike Klatte, closest to the pin; Jerry Bibbey, longest drive.

A special thanks to all the associate members who donated prizes for this golf function. Also, thanks to Leif Erickson, host superintendent, and his staff for the guest day.

Keith Scott, President

TALENTED. Not only a superintendent but a golf tournament director as well. Host Leif Erickson announces the winners.

WINNER. Russ Adams, left, low gross winner with playing partners, Jerry McCann, Jerry Bibbey (long drive winner) and Tony Magina.

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KEVIN BENSON, although young of age, is fast becoming a veteran of his profession having served as the head golf course superintendent at the Edenvale Golf Course in Eden Prairie since 1974. A graduate of the Anoka Vo Tech Turf Program, Kevin worked for one year at Majestic Oaks before accepting his present position. Kevin became interested in turf while working at the Watonwan Country Club in St. James which was summertime occupation while going through high school. Snow skiing, fishing and golf are some of Kevin's favorite hobbies and he is also one of M.G.C.S.A.'s most active members, rarely missing a monthly outing.

MIKE KLATTE is the golf course superintendent at the Elm Creek Golf Club in Hamel. Mike returned to Elm Creek in the spring of 1977 but it didn't take him long to get acquainted with the course as it is owned and completely run by the Klatte family. Before rejoining the Elm Creek staff, Mike had worked at the Minikahda Club and also was the superintendent at the Owatonna Municipal Golf Course for four years. A member of M.G.C.S.A. since 1971, Mike learned the trade at the two year turf program at Penn State University. Successful completion of the C.G.C.S. examination in 1977 shows Mike's continuing search for knowledge in the field of turf management. Playing golf, traveling and cheering on the Vikings takes up most of Mike's free time.

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PLAYING GOLF IS GOOD P. R.

Should a golf course superintendent play golf himself? Many golf course owners and directors believe that having a superintendent who doesn't understand the game is something like having a mechanic who doesn't drive work on your car.

Seeing the course as the golfers do and good public relations are the biggest advantages to playing golf for a golf course superintendent. When it's time to explain to an unhappy member why his favorite nine is closed or why an aerified green looks the way it does, your credibility is much better if you can explain what you're doing and why in golfer's terms. Don't give a player a reason to walk away muttering, "But he doesn't even play the game!"

Playing golf with members also offers you a way to let them get to know you. While playing, you can discuss the course's condition, answer questions and tell them about your plans in a friendly, low-key manner.

You may even want to suggest to your employees that they learn to play golf, if they don't know how already. When employees understand the importance of the fine points of golf course housekeeping, good bunker maintenance, for example, the quality of their work is likely to improve.

It isn't important that they play well. Your club's pro may be willing to give a few group lessons and a friendly handicap competition now and then among your employees will encourage them to learn.

Finally, playing golf yourself is a most enjoyable way to conduct an inspection of your course from a golfer's perspective and note small changes that could be made to improve your facility.

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Concrete stepping stones may be the answer for areas worn bare of turf by heavy foot traffic. Brushing the surface of the concrete with a broom before it dries will yield a slip-resistant surface.

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CHEMICALLY PRESERVED WOOD

Are you planning to build a structure with exposed wood? If so, you should consider these facts about wood preservatives before you proceed. All woods will decay if exposed to damp conditions over a period of time, although some varieties resist longer than others. Redwood and cedar, while the longest lasting of the hardwoods available for outdoor construction, are expensive and can be difficult to find.

An increasingly popular alternative is the use of chemically preserved wood. Because less expensive wood can be used, this approach offers an attractive alternative for construction projects. There are three methods of applying preservative to wood: brushing or spraying, dipping and pressure. Brushing or spraying uses the smallest amount of preservative and is the least time consuming of the three methods. Years of service gained are the least, however, because of the shallow penetration afforded. Coal-tar creosote, pentachlorophenol (penta) and copper naphthenate solutions are the most commonly used preservatives.

Only copper naphthenate can be recommended for landscaping use where the wood will come into direct contact with roots or plants. Creosote and penta can be used for fencing, posts, decks, and edging, if there will be no plants in the immediate area.

If the brushing or spraying method is used, protection can be prolonged by applying multiple coats and by paying special attention to joints, areas that will touch the ground or other building materials and other places where moisture may collect. Immersing the wood in preservative is more effective than brushing or spraying because it allows deeper penetration of the preservative into the wood. Immersion periods of a few hours up to several days can be used. The same materials used for brushing and spraying are used for dipping.

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It is time again to be looking ahead to the Annual Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents' Tournament. A time to enjoy golf, fellowship and entertain club officials, managers and professionals from your club. The event this year will be held on September 18, 1978 at Majestic Oaks Country Club. Don Lindblad is the host superintendent.

As this tournament grows in size each year, it becomes more necessary for reservations to be made early. Two shotguns will be held, the first at 8:00 a.m. and the second at 1:30 p.m. Each shotgun will be limited to 32 foursomes. Tee times for the 1:30 p.m. shotgun will be given on a first reservation returned basis and given to Class A and Class B superintendents first, unless they indicate the morning shotgun. Others will be placed in the 8:00 a.m. shotgun.

The cost of the event will be $19.00 per person which includes prizes and dinner. Carts will be available at a cost of $7.50 each.

For the early arrivals at Majestic Oaks coffee and rolls will be available. A buffet lunch will be available for golfers coming off the course from the 8:00 a.m. shotgun and available to persons playing in the 1:30 p.m. shotgun. These luncheons are difficult to plan for so please use the facility. The lunch will cost $3.00. As usual beer and pop will be available on the course for the players.

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Please reserve ___ carts at $ 7.50 ea. ____________________________

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Payment must accompany reservation. Make checks to M.G.C.S.A. Singles making reservations will be paired to make foursomes. Cancellations made prior to Sept. 11, 1978 will receive a full refund. Cancellations after Sept. 11, 1978 will receive no refund. No reservations (except for dinner) will be taken after Sept. 11, 1978. Send reservations to: JOHN NYLUND, C/O BRAEMAR GOLF CLUB, 6364 DEWEY HILL ROAD, EDINA, MINN. 55435.
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