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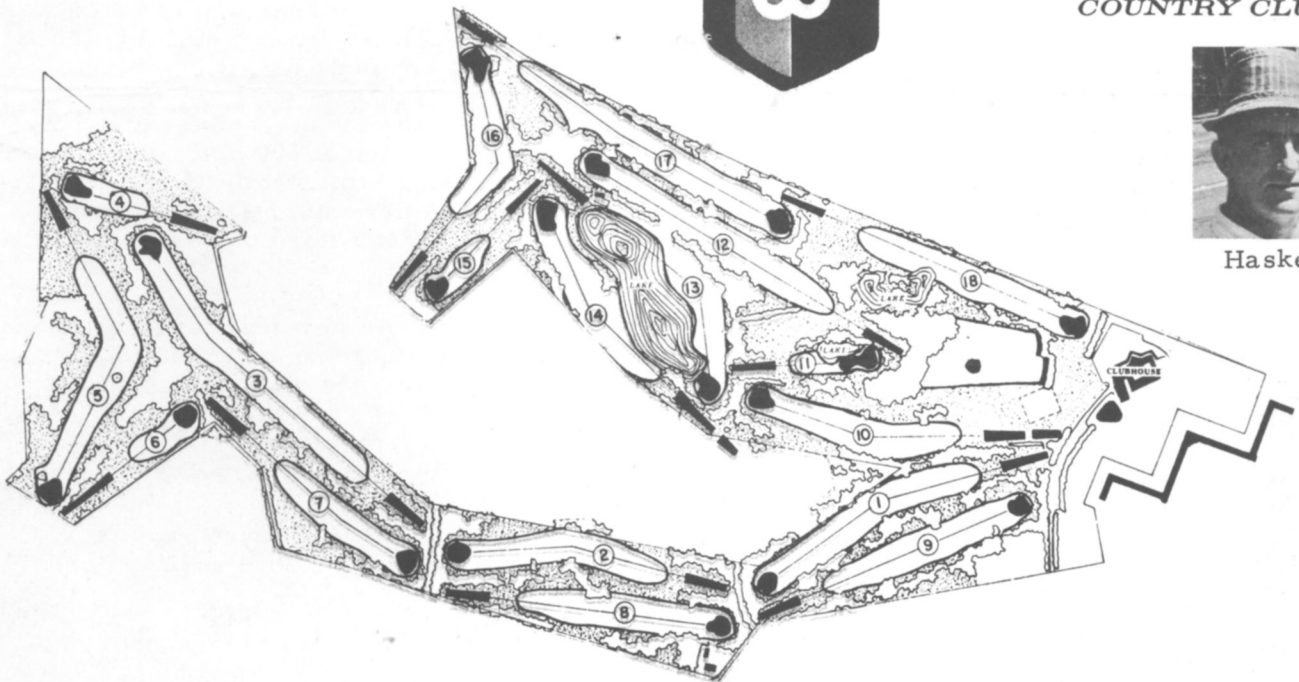
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WASHINGTONIAN
COUNTRY CLUB



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DECEMBER MEETING - WASHINGTONIAN COUNTRY CLUB

The annual meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents will be held at the Washingtonian Country Club, Gaithersburg, Maryland, on December 3, 1963. Weather permitting, golf will be played. The social hour will be from 5 to 6 P.M. with dinner following in the Gold Room.

Following dinner the annual meeting with reports of the Directors and Officers, followed by the election of Officers and Directors will be held under our new by-laws.

OUR HOST

Frank J. Haske, Superintendent, has been Greensmaster since March 1, 1961. A member of the Mid-Atlantic Association for the past 15 years, Frank started as sales representative for the G. L. Cornell Co. Going with Murray and Roberts in 1959, he assisted in the drawing of plans and as superintendent of construction of the Washingtonian Country Club. In 1960, he supervised construction of the Mt. Vernon Country Club for Russell Roberts. Frank has been a director of the Association for the past two years and thru his efforts the Ladies Night was held in September.

THE CLUB AND GOLF COURSE

The club is private with Motel privileges and has been in play three years. The architects designed the rolling par 72 with the blue course at 6874 yards and the regular course at 6407 yards into the beautiful hills around Gaithersburg.

Mr. Sam Eig is the owner and his son, Buddy Eig is greens chairman. Mr. Don Diamond is the Club Manager; Veteran Golf Professional, Clarence Doser directs golf activities.

The club is part of a complex of the Washingtonian Motel, and in the spring of 1964, construction will begin on a 34 acre tract of land in the center of the course which will have four 29 story and three 18 story apartment buildings costing upwards of 23 million dollars.

Mr. Eig has purchased 360 acres nearby and this is the future Roads Course of 27 to 36 holes.

MAINTENANCE

The greens are C-1, C-19 and PennCross Bentgrass and receive 13 1/2 lbs. of nitrogen per 1000 sq. ft. annually applied at two week intervals. They are cut at 1/4" three times a week. A semiautomatic sprinkler system has been installed around three greens. If this proves satisfactory, the remaining greens will be completed.

The tees are of U-3 Bermuda and Arizona hulled bermuda with a cool season mix which was overseeded due to last winter's turf loss. Cutting is at 1/2" with fertilizer being applied at two week intervals at 1 1/2 lbs. nitrogen to 1000 sq. ft. in the bermuda season.

Fairways are watered from four ponds of 82 million gallons. The pumps which can supply 12 fairway outlets are two 40 H.P. Bell & Gossett pumps at 700 gpm at 100 psi. The system uses 150 psi P.V.C. plastic from 1 1/4" to 6" diameter. Originally planted to U-3 Bermuda and a cool season mix, the bermuda which was hard hit last winter was overseeded with Arizona hulled bermuda. Fertilizing in June and September at 500# Acre of 16-8-8. NuGreen at 100# acre during the growing season with cutting at 3/4".

As Greensmaster, Frank is always doing or planning projects and a few that have been completed are the rebuilding of 15 green and adding traps. Number 12 green on the left side was face lifted by adding a retaining wall of railroad ties and enlarging the trap. Additional tree planting is in progress.

A nursery of 10 acres of Merion and Kentucky Bluegrass and Pennlawn Fescue were planted along with a Zoyzia and Bermuda Nursery.

Cart wear areas were covered with stone along with rebuilding number 11 fairway. Number 18 fairway was tightened by the addition of two traps.

In the proposed construction number 11 green will be enlarged in the back and number 14 green enlarged into a two level green. Additional ponds on the front nine and one in front of number 15 and number 16 tee are planned.

DIRECTIONS TO THE CLUB

From Baltimore to College Park west on Univ. Blvd. to Wheaton, Viers Mill Rd. thru Rockville on Rt. 28 to Rt. 240, follow signs marked Frederick and continue 4 miles to Shady Grove Rd. From Washington take 240 North to signs marked Frederick and continue 4 miles to Shady Grove Rd.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by James E. Thomas

The October meeting was a joint one with the Central Virginia Turfgrass Association, and was held at the Fredricksburg Country Club, Fredricksburg, Virginia. Our host for the occasion was Emory Stafford the club's pro-superintendent; he graciously made us all feel at home. Emory had on hand to welcome and greet us the club's President, and Chairman of the Green Committee. Also in attendance were two distinguished out-of-town guests, both former Presidents of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America: Mr. Paul Weiss, Sr., greensmaster at the Lehigh Country Club, Allentown, Pennsylvania; and Mr. Joseph Ryan (Now retired) formerly a superintendent in the Philadelphia area. Joe now makes his home in Miami, Florida, and participates in many of the activities of the South Florida Golf Course Superintendents Association.

Paul Weiss, Sr., was the guest speaker for the get-together of the two groups. Paul chose for the subject of his talk, "The Image of a Successful Golf Course Superintendent". He

"This is being added to the NEWSLETTER so you will be able to give it some thought and study before it is discussed at our annual meeting."

J. E. Thomas, President

It is the function of my Committee to study the aspect of membership representation on the Executive Board of GCSAA. Primarily, I am interested in determining whether or not this representation is fair and adequate from the viewpoint of membership strength and geographical area.

With the growing status of GCSAA, the Executive Committee (as stimulated by the thinking of the Advisory Committee) is vitally interested in seeing that our Association government is proper and adequate to meet the challenges of the future. This survey by my Committee is intended to help in guiding their thinking.

Therefore, will each chapter please give good attention to each question, complete the form to the best of your judgment, and return to me as soon as possible, at the following address:

James W. Brandt
1419 Grant Street
Danville, Illinois

1. How old is your chapter? _____
2. Is your chapter an official affiliated chapter of GCSAA? Yes _____ No _____
3. Has your chapter ever voted by delegate in GCSAA annual elections (Chapters must have 60% or more membership in GCSAA to qualify for delegate voting)?
Yes _____ No _____
4. Are you satisfied with the present delegate voting system for chapters having over 60% membership in GCSAA?
Yes _____ No _____
5. If your chapter has less than the 60% required for delegate voting, do you think it possible for a nominee from your chapter to be elected to the Board of Directors?
Yes _____ No _____

Comments:

6. Do you think your chapter has been adequately represented on the GCSAA Board of Directors?
Yes _____ No _____

Comments:

7. How many times in the last five years has your chapter submitted names from your membership to the GCSAA Nominating Committee for candidates to the National Board of Directors?

___ 5 times; ___ 4 times; ___ 3 times; ___ 2 times; ___ 1 time; ___ None

8. How many times (re #7) has your candidate become a nominee ?

___ 5 times; ___ 4 times; ___ 3 times; ___ 2 times; ___ 1 time; ___ None

9. How many times (re #7) has your candidate been elected to National office ?

___ 5 times; ___ 4 times; ___ 3 times; ___ 2 times; ___ 1 time; ___ None

10. Would you favor dividing the continent into geographical regions as a basis for representation on the National Board - rather than the present chapter-by-chapter approach ?

Yes ___ No ___

Comments:

11. Would you favor chapter or geographical nominations - but voting by individual membership mail ballots ?

Yes ___ No ___

Comments:

12. Would you favor entirely doing away with chapter or geographical nominations and voting systems in favor of voting by individual membership mail ballot only ?

Yes ___ No ___

Comments:

13. Do you favor continuation of our proxy voting policy whereby a GCSAA voting member not attending the National Elections may sign his vote over to another voting member ?

Yes ___ No ___

14. (a) Should we continue the policy of allowing multiple proxy voting (where several proxies may be collected and voted by one member or one delegate ?

Yes ___ No ___

or

(b) Should the policy be changed so that a proxy vote must be assigned to and voted by one member only (individual basis) ?

Yes ___ No ___

15. In the professional growth of GCSAA, do you favor more or less political activity ?

More ___ Less ___ About the same ___

16. In the structure of our Board of Directors, would you favor reducing politics at the level of the incoming president by having a president-elect who automatically moves up from the elected vice-presidency ? (This would make the active race at the vice-president rather than the president level.)

Yes ___ No ___

stressed the importance of good bearing, conduct, and personal grooming in all of our contacts and appearances with our members, that good impressions should always be our goal before the golf public at large. Paul left with us much food for thought and contemplation; all of what he said to us helps to establish good public relations, and this is becoming a very important part of our daily existence.

We all thank Paul for visting with us, and leaving us his inspiring message. Appreciation is also extended to Emory Stafford and the Fredricksburg Country Club for their hospitality. It was nice to have Joe Ryan present as an honored guest. And to our friends from Central Virginia, we enjoyed the opportunity of meeting and breaking bread with them. Let's do it more often.

REMINDER

The annual elections will be held at our December 3, 1963, meeting at the Washingtonian Motel. The following names have been submitted by the nominating committee:

PRESIDENT:	Thomas A. Doerer, Jr.	Angelo Cammarota
VICE-PRESIDENT:	Frank Haske	Clarence W. Lindsay
SECRETARY-TREASURER:	Sheldon R. Betterly	George W. Cleaver
DIRECTOR (two to be elected for 3 years)	Robert Martino	A. D. Watson
	Jack Oulla	Charles Shalestock

Nominations may also be made from the floor.

THE MID-ATLANTIC 10 YEARS AGO

by L. Robert Shields

On December 1, 1953, the members of the Mid-Atlantic were guests of the G. L. Cornell Company for George's annual steak and oyster dinner. Announcing the meeting was one of the most unusual and amusing Newsletters ever published. It was written by Bob Elder and followed the lines of a popular television program that was being shown then. "These are the facts men, just the facts", is the way it began. The facts were that Mr. Cornell and his staff turned out some very fine steaks and some choice Maryland oysters, most of which were made off with by a certain character referred to as "Tiny Tom" who had the "stuff" under his belt. Another character was one "short tie" Brown.

At the end of 1953, we were wondering where we were going as superintendents and what would be our lot during the next ten years. At this time we know we have made great progress during the past ten years but we still have a long way to go and many problems to solve. Some goals we could consider for accomplishment during the next ten years are as follows:

1. More education for all superintendents
2. Establish college curriculum to produce qualified superintendents
3. A better program for younger men in apprenticeship training
4. Better job placement service
5. Agree on a definition of the meaning of Golf Course Superintendent
6. Survey of all superintendents' salaries
7. Higher salaries
8. A standard golf course budget form
9. One hundred percent affiliation of all locals in GCSAA
10. A GCSAA owned and operated golf course that would include retirement and research centers
11. Expanded publications and library service to superintendents
12. Better public relations
13. More service to members
14. Improved professional integrity

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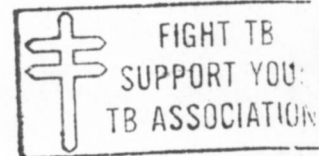
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