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# May Meeting

The May meeting of the M.A.A.G.C.S. is our annual Superintendent-Pro tournament. The tournament will be held at the Hog Neck Golf Course in Easton, Maryland with superintendent Ben Stagg as our host.

Ben has been superintendent at Hog Neck since August of 1974. Prior to coming to Hog Neck, Ben was superintendent at the Nassainango Country Club in Snow Hill, Maryland. Ben worked for George Gum at the Ocean City Country Club for a while in 1969. Before that, Ben was a dairy farmer. Ben has been at the Hog Neck course all through its construction and opening in July 1976.

The Hog Neck Golf Course was built on the site of the Hog Neck farm which was owned by Mrs. Alton Jones. Mrs. Jones financed the construction of the golf course and upon completion turned the course over to the Talbot County Park Board.

The Golf Course was designed by Lindsay Ervin and is his first attempt on his own. He is employed by Greenhorne and O'Mara of Greenbelt, Maryland. The Golf Course has already gained the reputation as being



Pictured are Ben and Hilda Stagg, rear, with children Bill 18, Judy 15, Charlotte 16, and Tim 11.

one of the best in the Mid-Atlantic section.

Bring your Pro out to a beautiful Golf Course and spend an enjoyable day.

#### PROGRAM FOR THE DAY:

GOLF - You will be appointed tee times
LUNCH - Cold Cuts Sandwich Bar and Beer

DINNER - Tidewater Inn

Roast Top Sirloin, Hors d'ouerves and

Raw Bar

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fellow Members:

In our April newsletter, Ben Stagg wrote an article telling how "Teamwork" between his Golf professional, John Medved, and himself had paid dividends to each of them. More importantly, he also stated because John and himself were able to work so well together, that their superiors had confidence in both of them and professional duties with a minimum of interference.

Our May 10th Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents meeting, to be hosted by Ben Stagg at Hog Neck Golf and Recreation Area in Easton, Maryland, is highlighted by our annual M.A.A. of G.C.S. sponsored Superintendent-Pro tournament. Thank your golf Pro for his efforts in making your job as superintendent a little easier. Entertain him to a well-planned day of rest, recreation and education at what many consider to be one of the finest golf courses in our Mid-Atlantic area.

The team that works together should play and win together, at least once a year.

Yours for finer turf and better golf through "Teamwork".

Bill Emerson

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PRICES - Team: \$44.00

Single: \$22.00 Dinner: \$12.00

Cards must be returned or call Ben Stagg at (301) 822-

7467 to reserve tee times.

DIRECTIONS TO THE CLUB: Take Rt. 50 East across the Bay Bridge. Continue to Easton, Maryland. Turn left on Hog Neck Golf Course Road and follow the signs.

#### Golf Superintendent

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your own mechanic trying out a piece of equipment to see if it is functioning properly. A superintendent should do the same thing, maybe not as often as the chef or mechanic samples their product, but more than most of us do.

There are quite a few superintendents, young and old, who don't play golf and have been very successful in keeping an excellent golf course, and his membership satisfied with his management practices. I have all the respect in the world for these individuals and would like to congratulate them for their success. I feel these individuals were born gifted to be a good golf course superintendent, or as the old saying goes, "Every blind squirrel finds an acorn once in a while."

By playing golf, I feel it makes my job easier. I understand the golfers' demands and feelings much better, and it makes me more conscious of my management practices and decision-making.

Your golfing membership will have more confidence and respect of your decisions knowing you are an avid golfer.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

## **Applications and Changes**

JACK MONTECALUO - Applying for Class A Superintendent Woodholme Country Club 300 Woodholme Drive Pikesville, Maryland

## Changes

EARL MASON Gibson Island Golf Course D to B JOHN DEW Winter's Run Golf Course B to A

These changes are being published here in accordance with our by-laws. Unless written application is received within 30 days after publication, these men will become active members with their requested classifications.

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