Deadline for Match Play Tourney Near

You only have until April 1 to get your entry in for the 1985 Match Play Championship, whose first round will be played April 9 at Hog Neck Golf Course. The second round will be delayed until June 11 because of the May 14 Superintendent Pro Tournament scheduled for Woodmont Country Club. Third round will take place July 9 at Winter Run, the fourth round at Hobbits Glenn on September 10, and the final round on Nov. 12 at Hunt Valley.

Open play, with low net and low gross, is scheduled for August 13 at the picnic at Bretton Woods, for December 10 at the Naval Academy, and at the above courses for those not entered in or having been eliminated from match play, according to Golf Chairman Dick Gieselman.

Parts-Man Orlando Dies in February

Renny Orlando, who worked in the parts department of the G. L. Cornell Co. for the past 15 years and who retired in 1983 after over 35 years with that company, passed away on February 17. He had started as a delivery man, became a lawn mower repairman in the shop, and was assigned to the parts department after a slight heart murmur was detected. Many area golf course superintendents came to know him well as an extremely knowledgeable parts-man with a friendly, helpful manner.

Course Architects Head for Ireland

April will see the American Society of Golf Course Architects holding their 1985 annual meeting in Ireland, where they will stage a series of professional development seminars at Irish courses, including Killarney, Tralee, Ballybunion, Lahinch, Royal County Down, County Lough, and Portmarnock. Irish architects, agronomists, contractors, and irrigation consultants will be among the speakers, and the Society will present its Donald Ross Award to golf writer Peter Dobereiner at an April 20 banquet in Killarney.

Meeting Schedule, 1985

April 9 — Hog Neck G.C., Ben Stagg, Host
May 14 — Woodmont C.C. (Supt.-Pro Tournament), Mike Larsen, Host
June 11 — Montgomery C.C., Jeff Miskin, Host
July 9 — Winters Run G.C. (luncheon meeting), John Drew, Host
August 13 — Bretton Woods, Annual Picnic, Gerry Gerard, Host
September 10 — Hobbits Glen G.C., Bill Neus, Host
October 14 — International C.C., Steve Nash, Host
November 12 — Hunt Balley G.C., Bob Orazzi, Host
December 10, Naval Academy, Mike McKenzie, Host

Ladies Night Set For Sat., April 13

Ladies Night has been arranged for Toby’s Dinner Theatre in Columbia at 6:30 p.m., April 13, with a buffet dinner and a musical production of “Baby.” Chairman Bill Neus has already sent out a mailing to all members, with complete information on menu, location, and cost ($50 per couple). Checks should be mailed to Bill at 4720 Williston St., Baltimore, Md. 21229 to confirm reservations.

From The Golf World

The GCSAA has announced that attendance at the 1985 conference and show in Washington was almost 9,000, breaking the record set last year at Las Vegas, and that the trade show was 25% larger than Las Vegas’. More than 1,000 registrants took advantage of the 330 hours of instruction offered, and more than 100 superintendents took the certification exam.

Don’t forget, if you’re able to get away for the Masters down in Augusta, your GCSAA membership card gets you in, just like those impossible-to-get series badges.

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little slower speed could buy one with a stimpeter reading of 8 feet 6 inches. This would allow golfers who liked a little faster roll to do so while not penalizing those that preferred a golf ball with average speed. This is where I believe the research needs to be done. The fault is in the ball and not in the green. I hope to elaborate on this concept in a magazine article at a future time, but until then I think that on the whole we, as Golf Course Superintendents, do a great job, and I hope in this article, I have given you “just a little to think about!”