From The Golf World

They played the first tournament ever scheduled at the new TPC at Avenel in mid-June; that's the PGA Tour course in Potomac, Md., where the Kemper Open will be played, starting in 1987. It was held for a select group of invitees from the 40 corporations that have purchased memberships in the club, plus some press people and other guests. The fairways are still rough-graded dirt at present, and the cups guests. The fairways are still rough-graded dirt at present, and the cups were 1-foot-wide plastic buckets; players were limited to five clubs, and the format was a scramble. It won't be long before they start spraying the zoysia in the fairways, and the results of that effort will be of great interest to many maintenance people he met, naming Ray Wendt as one who had devised very effective electric drive equipment because of his lack of trust for hydraulic drives. Finally, he noted, although chemicals are not widely used, there are no regulations on chemicals and their use, and almost any compound can be openly bought and used.

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the greens. The pH is low (3.5), there is less microbial activity in the soil, less poa annua, lots of thatch, no insects, and little use of chemicals.

Two courses on the North Island are fully irrigated; 25 more have water available for greens and tees; the rest rely on nature, which because of the geography, can usually do the job.

Paul believes that the courses he saw could not afford mechanization at anything like U.S. levels. The Wellington Golf Club, regarded as the finest, collects fees from its members at the rate of $600 per year. His advice to the New Zealanders was not to push for the adoption of expensive U.S. methods. He spoke very highly of the golf course maintenance people he met, naming Ray Wendt as one who had devised very effective electric drive equipment because of his lack of trust for hydraulic drives. Finally, he noted, although chemicals are not widely used, there are no regulations on chemicals and their use, and almost any compound can be openly bought and used.

LETTERS . . .

May 8, 1985

Dear MAAGCS Members:

It is with gratitude that I write to you for the honor you bestowed upon me several weeks ago. Making me a Life Member of your organization was indeed a surprise and an honor for which I am very grateful. While living in the D.C. area, being a member of the Mid-Atlantic was one of my greatest pleasures. You are a great bunch of fellows, and I enjoyed my years of association with you. The friendship and closeness I had with some of you of you is still there today. True friendship is indeed a treasure, and again I thank you.

At the present, I'm not feeling too good, but I'm doing my best to lick the big "C." There's always hope. God bless you all.

Sincerely,
Wayne B. Jerome

(Ed. Note: Wayne Jerome succumbed to his cancer at his home in Naples, Florida, in June.)

NEW MEMBERS

Jack Montecalvo, Class F, Sales Representative, Harford Industrial Minerals, Joppa, Md.
Kevin Driscoll, Class F, Loft's, Inc., Beltsville, Md.
Errico G. Pacilio, Class F, General Manager, Loft's, Inc., Beltsville, Md.
Lewis A. Lamp, Jr., Class F (Non-Resident), Consultant, Winchester, Va.

Golf in the Later Years

My muscles are flabby;
I can't hit a drive.
My mind often doubts if
I'm really alive.
My chipping is lousy,
I never could putt.
I guess I'll just stay home and
just sit on my butt.
My iron play's awful,
my woods are as bad.
I'm describing my game as a
shade sort of sad.
So the outlook for today is for
grief and for sorrow.
Say! who can we get for a
fourth tomorrow?