This year’s Superintendent-Professional Tournament at Robert Trent Jones Golf Club was a huge success. Despite several inches of rain over the weekend and threatening weather the day of the tournament, Glenn Smickley, CGCS, and his staff had the golf course in tremendous shape. The layout and course set-up certainly provided a formidable challenge to the fifty teams that competed. Thanks, Glenn, for a great day!

I would also like to thank Head Golf professional, Cary Sciorra, and his staff for a great job in organizing and scoring the tournament, and the food and beverage staff who bent over backwards to cater to us. Thanks, again, to everyone at Robert Trent Jones; we, hope to be invited back in the future.

The 1998 President’s Cup was won by Fawn Lake’s Bob Wren and Bob Swezey in a playoff with defending champions Sean Remington and Jim Fitzgerald of Chevy Chase Club, and Jeff Michel of Mount Vernon. Jeff played courageously, without his professional, Pete Van Pelt, but was eliminated after the first hole. With darkness setting in, the team of Wren and Swezey prevailed after four extra holes. Congratulations to the winners and to all who came to enjoy a wonderful day of golf with our fellow professionals, The day’s results were:

Low Net
1st Bob Wren/Bob Swezey (69)
2nd Sean Remington/Jim Fitzgerald (69)
3rd Jeff Michel/Pete Van Pelt (69)
4th John Gabbeitt/Chris Olsen (70)
5th George Renault/Charlie Briggs (71)
6th Scott Wagner/Luther Showaker (72)
7th Michael Evans/Larry Ringer (73)
8th Jeff Vietmeier/Tom Hanna (74)
9th Tom Ritter/Dave Walker (74)
10th Jeff Facto/Sean Mack (74)

Low Gross
1st Dick Fisher/Rob McNamara (70)
2nd Glenn Smickley/Cary Sciorra (72)
3rd Steve Cohoon/Mark Jansen (75)

Closest to the Hole
#2 John Tutich
#9 Phil Sainsbury
#11 Jeff Michel
#16 Mark Jansen

Long Drive
#3 Tom Mynaugh
#15 Joe Burden

Without the tremendous support of our sponsors, an event of this caliber would not be possible. The following companies and organizations gave contributions for this year’s tournament: Davisson Golf, Egypt Farms, Finch Turf Services, G. L. Cornell, Harford Industrial Minerals, Helena Chemical, Hydro Designs, Kimberthy Turf, Lofts Seed, Newsom Seed, Nutramax, Scotts Pro Turf, Security Ford/New Holland, Stancills, Terra, Turf Equipment & Supply, MAPGA, and the MAAGCS. In addition, Jim Coleman Cadillac sponsored a Cadillac Catera on hole number 11, which Jeff Michel came within a foot of winning, for two years. Please be sure to thank these sponsors for their gracious support of our association!

June’s golf tournament was our Four-Man Scramble at the Country Club of Maryland. For many of us, it was our first visit to the Country Club of Maryland. What a treat! Thanks Dave, to you and your staff for a superb golf course. The day’s winners were:

1st (62)
Paul Brandon
Steve Cohoon
Tom Walsh
Wayne Brisset

2nd (62)
Jeff Vance
Mike Graebner
Blaine Oxley
Bill Brimhall

3rd (62)
Bob Katula
Dave Nehila
Matt Richter
Tim Anderson

4th (63)
Jim McHenry
Tim Sage
Kevin Mathias
Brian Bupp

Closest to the Hole
#5- Tom Walsh
#9- Rich Isaac
#13- Ken Ingram
#17- Dave Nehila

Long Drive
#9- Rich Isaac
#10- Joe Burden
#15- Tom Mynaugh

In closing it is not too early to start lining up your favorite club official for this year’s Superintendent-Club Official Tournament, September 8, at Greystone. Look for more details and an entry form in your mail in early August.