

Around the Mid-Atlantic

Blue Mash Underway

Construction has begun on Blue Mash, a new upscale daily fee course in Laytonsville, MD. The unusual name has some historical roots, the combination of a property called Blue Mash made popular by the production of distilled beverages. (First Whiskey Creek and now Blue Mash). The development is the second venture for Joe Hills and Tom Heally who together built Waverly Woods. Brian Marofsky, long time assistant at Chevy Chase Club is the new Superintendent.

The golf course is an Art Hills design. Brian describes Blue Mash as a tight but open layout. Earth was moved for three months to create mounding between holes. Like so many new courses, it will be bentgrass from tee to green with Providence greens, Providence/L-93 fairways, and Penncross tees. Irrigation will be Rainbird Nimbus 11. A world class driving range is planned like Waverly Woods with a bentgrass tee and target fairway. Opening is planned for the spring of 2001.

Sabbatical Continues for Bill Hughes

Bill Hughes, one half of the "dynamic duo" ownership at Turf Equipment and Supply has taken another assignment with the Toro Company. Bill is now the Vice President and General Manager of the Irrigation Division and has moved to Riverside, CA.

It has been almost twenty years since Bill and Lynn Matson bought a struggling Toro franchise in our area and made it one of the best in the country. Bill was a long time Toro factory man and took leave a couple of years ago to manage the Consumer Division of Toro back in Minneapolis. He now has a similar assignment in irrigation. He would love to hear from friends in the MAAGCS. His new number is 909-785-3610.

Bill Love Honored

Local Golf Course Architect and MAAGCS member Bill Love was featured in the June issue of Golf Course News. The Turf and Ornamental Communicators As-

sociation (TOCA) awarded his publication "An Environmental Approach to Golf Course Development." Bill is the current Chairman of the ASGCA Environmental Committee and practices out of College Park, MD.

GCSAA Committee Members Appointed

Several MAAGCS members have been appointed to GCSAA Committees. Andrea Bakalyar to Career Development, Steve Cohoon, CGCS to Tournament, Bob Collins, CGCS to Membership, Lee Dieter, CGCS to Historical Preservation, Ken Ingram, CGCS to Research, John Kototski, CGCS to Certification, Walter Montross, CGCS to Education, and Nick Vance, CGCS to Chapter Relations.

Congressional Gold Remodeled

Congressional C.C. began a remodeling project on the Gold Course in August. Bunkers and tees will be rebuilt along with

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