

COUNTRY CLUB OPENS NEW CO

CLEVELAND'S oldest golf club—the Country Club—opened its new clubhouse and golf course on Saturday, August 15. The club was organized in 1888 and was located on Lake Shore Blvd., at the foot of Eddy Road. The club had a 9-hole course until 1913 when it was enlarged to eighteen holes by acquiring property on the south side of the New York Central tracks.

The encroachment of factories and residential development made it necessary for the club to consider a new location and in the spring of 1928 they commissioned Toomey and Flynn of Philadelphia to design and build a new 18-hole golf course on the wooded property adjoining Lander Road in Pepper Pike village. Fortunately the club was not required to abandon the old course until the

new one had a chance to mature for a year so that, when the members opened up the course on the date above mentioned, they were surprised at its wonderful condition. The new course has a yardage of 6531 with a par of 72 and is nicely laid out, having plenty of large trees and no hills to climb, with a gentle contour and just enough roll to make it sporty.

The new clubhouse is located in a clump of trees about seven hundred feet in from Lander Road which gives it a secluded location. There is parking space for about three hundred and fifty cars, a swimming pool near the 18th hole, four tennis courts close to Number 1 tee, also a playground reserved for the caddies.

It has been a great pleasure for me to help prepare and open up the new golf course of the Country Club, with which organization I have been connected almost thirty years.



LOOKING DOWN NUMBER 1 FAIRWAY AT THE NEW COUNTRY CLUB, CLEVELAND

Photo by F. W. Smith

COURSE—OTHER CLEVELAND GOSSIP

It is a wonderful layout and I hope any of my fellow greenkeepers who can visit me will do so.
—BERT G. SHELDIN

Cleveland District Gossip

By FRANK P. DUNLAP

Bob Zink, greenkeeper at Shaker Heights is having considerable success in ridding his greens of pearl wort by applications of common household ammonia; also by heavy applications of boiling water. Both are applied by driving a metal cylinder down around the affected area and then putting on the water or ammonia. This prevents damage to the grass around the pearl wort.

B. W. Zink has returned to the Cleveland District after an absence of two years and is now located at Highland Park, Cleveland's 36-hole municipal course. The boys in the Cleveland District join in welcoming him back and wishing him the best of luck.

Oakwood, the home course of Chris. Bain, president of the Cleveland District Greenkeepers Association, as well as all courses in this section of the country has been faced with the serious problem of water shortage and low pressure. All watering is done at night, not only because they believe that to be the best time for it but also because of extremely heavy play all day and the fact that the water pressure is much stronger at night.

Oakwood was host to the City ladies during the week of July 21. Great interest was taken in the matches—a crowd of over a thousand or more being out to watch the finals. Mr. Bandy acted as Master of Ceremonies and reported complete satisfaction with course conditions and total absence of any complaints. At present they are building a 9-hole chip and putt course, also they have enclosed the entire course with a 6-foot fence, which makes for privacy, less trespassing, breakages and loss of equipment.

Lou Latta, greenkeeper at Brae Burn club at Akron reports the shortest nine holes on record at his course. A member teeing off at Number 1 tee hit the ball off the toe of the club, the ball carried over the clubhouse and holed out on Number 9 green.

The Cleveland District Association of Greenkeepers has had a very busy season. Meetings have been held at Hawthorne, Oakwood, Chagrin Valley, Bunker

Hill, Orchard Hill and Ridgewood Country clubs, and further meetings are scheduled for Portage Country Club, Riceland Golf, Beechmont Country Club and Brae Burn Golf club.

After the regular business sessions during which many items of interest are discussed, a round of golf is played. Many of the boys have taken advantage of these opportunities to keep in trim or improve their game for the championship match to be played at Beechmont on October 6.

Believing it to be to the best interests of the greenkeeping profession, the local organization have rewritten their by-laws, requiring more stringent qualifications for full membership. It is the desire of the organization to maintain its standard of membership at such a point that when a member presents his card for a position along with it will go the unqualified recommendation of the local organization.

Frank P. Dunlap of Hawthorne Valley was appointed to handle publicity for the Cleveland District Association of Greenkeepers.



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