

N O T E S from Stan --- Our meeting at Carmel Valley Golf and Country Club could be called no less than a great success. Our host, Bob Dauterman's resume arrived too late to print last month. He has been at Carmel Valley a little over two years.

After attending Washington State University he was drafted into the Army for two years. He was away from golf while stationed in Darmstadt, Germany. When discharged he worked at El Rivino Country Club in San Bernardino for a year before moving to Washington where he was superintendent for nine out of eleven years with Longview Country Club.

He desired a dryer climate and chose to leave Washington State. Mostly by luck he ended up on the Monterey Peninsula. His two daughters Elizabeth age 12 and Tina age 10 and his bride Karin of 13 years are living in Carmel.

He states "having been on golf courses for over 25 years, playing golf and working on them I am dedicated to making the best possible playing conditions for the days play."

Bob should be complimented. I was able to play nine holes of golf and enjoyed the course very much. Keep up the great work, Bob.

Our speaker, Mr. Bob Wright, Scotts Pro Turf Division, did a very fine job on monocot identification. I would like to say thanks, Bob, for your presentation.

Our September Host Howard Fisher should need no introduction, but for those of you who do not know him, here is a little information. Howard has been at Mt. St. Helena for 12 years. He is in charge of the golf course and pro shop. He also has to contend with a football field, campground and racetrack. Prior to Mt. St. Helena he spent 3½ years at Flamingo Golf Course and before that it was the US Navy.

Mt. St. Helena Golf Course is a county owned golf course built in 1954. Before Howard took it over it was a par three course. Since then it has been extended to 2500 yards par 33. Howard tells me that during certain times of the year the race track takes most of his water which causes a few problems, which Howard has the ability to overcome. I might also add that the golf course is self-supporting, which means no county funds.

For those of you that plan to bring your wives Howard says there is plenty for them to do. One thing he mentioned was a new nine million dollar winery nearby. I am not sure it would be a good idea to send the gals over there for an afternoon by themselves.

Myself, I am going to take Howard up on his offer for free campground facilities. Hope to see you all there.

Stanley Burgess

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"The only difference between stumbling blocks and stepping stones is the way you use them."