

If you have an idea or gripe, then bring it to the board of directors. Don't just sit back and complain about it. Do something. There cannot be changes without ideas.

The last thing I would like to talk about is the support of, or lack of support of, our Newsletter. For the last three months I have asked for newsworthy items and the response has been very light. (I would like to thank those of you who have contributed.) I think every superintendent has the capability of writing a news item. Let's all get in and support our Association and Newsletter.

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G O L F N O T E S - Howard Fisher, Mt. St. Helena

This is for you golfers who are too lazy to get out. Bob Dauterman and Carmel Valley were excellent hosts. The weather was outstanding. In Carmel you don't know whether to dress for winter or summer.

The golf course was a pleasure. The front nine was not too long, but played long and difficult. Monterey area is supposed to be noted for its wild boar hunting, I didn't see a one on the golf course and I was all over. As you cross the road to the tenth tee, you can see a very tight golf hole. The back nine has those sneaky water holes and dog legs. The golfer who varied, didn't score. I for one, didn't score. The greens putted smoothly and bumping the ball in the fairway wasn't necessary. Bob, that's my way of saying you are doing a fine job.

A couple of friends and I played Pebble the night before. Comparing golf courses in the same area is informative. Even though these are within fifteen miles of one another the weather, terrain, and soil must be quite different. I like to play as many courses as I can to pick up and use their ideas.

See you at Calistoga September 12th. If you can't bring clubs, I have lots of mismatched antique sticks around that will suit your game!

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