

In the end my thanks goes to our General Manager Alec Churchward, Green Chairman Dr. Peter Patch, who squeezed our meeting in between the heavy scheduled tournaments. I am also grateful to the program chairman who picked Orinda for our meeting. I am very sure we will have excellent speakers for the program.

You will find 3 new tees on the golf course and the new addition of a sand trap on the 5th hole I am very much thankful to Mr. Ken Stohl, the retiring superintendent of Orinda Country Club, who helped me a lot to take over the golf course and help building these tees. Hope to see you all! Bring your wives too.

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PEST CONTROL ADVISORS LICENSE FACT OR FICTION

At our monthly meeting for May at Butte Creek Country Club, the guest speaker, Roy Rutz, Field Supervisor for the Department of Food & Agriculture, gave the facts pertaining to who needs a 'pest control license'

Fact 1 - As a superintendent making recommendations, you must have a Pest Control Advisors License.

Fact 2 - You are exempt if your course falls under the title of City, County, or State, or if you obtain a written recommendation from a licensed Pest Control Advisor for each application for each chemical you apply.

Fact 3 - Applications and exam date schedules for Pest Control Advisors License may be obtained from your County Ag Commissioner or from the Department of Food & Agriculture. Applications should be submitted 30 days prior to day you plan to take exam. After submitting your application you will receive a text book on the laws, rules and regulations. This book should clarify most questions you might have.

Fact 4 - Your Association is working for changes of the minimum qualifications, but if you qualify, I urge you to obtain your license now, as the qualifications are becoming harder each year.

Just remember act now. He who hesitates is lost.

THE CUTWORM

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FEDERATION REPORT by John Engen

The annual meeting of the California Federation of Golf Course Superintendents Associations was held at the Spa Hotel, Palm Springs, California March 3rd and 4th. Northern California was represented by about 10 superintendents. John Engen, Grady Simril and Bob Livesey attended the

board meeting. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided we would try for two years a permanent meeting place somewhat in between Northern and Southern California to see if we couldn't get more representation from all the Chapters. This meeting to be held in May at San Luis Obispo. Roy Stoddard was elected to serve another term as President, Bob Livezey, Secretary-Treasurer and Al Glaze, Chairman of the committee to organize the annual meeting.

The educational session was attended by about 20 superintendents. The speakers were Dr. Younger, Dr. Gibeault, John Van Dam, Dr. Oer and Bill Betts. The weather cooled down somewhat for the golf tournament the next day, thankfully as it was 107° the day before.

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BOB LIVESEY reports on the 5th day of May, I presented statements and arguments at a public hearing, before the Agriculture Committee. This was in regards to the Pest Control Advisor License situation. With three days notice of the hearing, it was impossible to get in-put from the membership.

In essence two recommendations were made. The first was, that the licensing be modified where it would be broken into sub-sections. One section pertaining to agriculture, the other to turf and ornamentals. At the present time there is nothing pertaining to turf grasses in the testing program. The only exception is the calibration and use of spray equipment.

The second recommendation was to delay the proposed implementation and modification of Article 8, section 3121 of the California Administrative Code, Title 3, Chapter 4, Sub-Chapter 3, Group 3, for a period of 2 years. This would allow the golf course superintendent to up-grade their education to meet the requirements of the Code that is being modified.

After hearing Roy Rutz cover some of the problems at our last meeting, I think we should be able to get with the State Department of Agriculture and get this problem taken care of as soon as possible.

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BOARD BRIEFS by Bob Ford, Secretary-Treasurer

Butte Creek Country Club, Chico, California, May 11, 1976

The past minutes of the Board of Directors meeting and Annual meeting and the Treasurer's Report were read and approved.

New committee Chairmen were announced by President John Engen,
NOMINATIONS - Larry Feliciano ELECTIONS' - to be selected later