awfully big rocks. The greens were made out of 100% of this sand without any amendments or drainage. The cover was Seaside Bent. In all, there is about 300,000 sq. ft. of greens surface. Two of the greens, however, are 22,000 sq. ft. monsters.

Fairways are a mixture of Chewings Fescue, Creeping Red Fescue, Highland Bent, and Common Kentucky Blue.

Since the course lays in the main drain channel of the canyons beyond, 5 bridges were constructed. The longest one 275 ft. long, and strong enough to support a load of carts parked end-to-end across the whole bridge. Each bridge is designed to withstand the onslaught of bad weather and washouts, and will not collapse. This is important, since in 1969 the devastating rains swept through that area and washed away 7 acres of land, which had to be brought back in by mechanical means. Three hundred tons of rocks in nylon netting now protect the riverbanks from washouts.

GEORGE BELL, speaker at Contra Costa Country Club displayed and explained various types of equipment used in drip irrigation. He said drip irrigation has very little application for turf, but can be very useful for irrigating club house ground areas. The advantages are that areas adjacent to walks and parking can be watered without the usual spray which is objectionable. Also drip irrigation can be adapted to plantings in roughs not under other irrigation. The low volume required does not effect the other watering schedules. The established trees would require a greater number of emittors than new plantings.

It was obvious from George's presentation that drip irrigation can be a tool for the future, but like everything else it will require a considerable amount of investigation before it should be installed.

Thanks to George Bell for sharing this information with us.

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