



DIRECTIONS - Harding Golf Course is in the middle of Lake Merced between Olympic Club and San Francisco Golf Club, behind the San Francisco Zoo. FROM 280 EXIT in Daly City down Brotherhood Way to Lake Merced Boulevard. From the GOLDEN Gate Bridge go across 19th Avenue to Brotherhood to Lake Merced Boulevard

The restaurant-meeting room is in a round building beyond the clubhouse. Harding Golf Course was designed in 1925 by William Watson (although King Ewing says it was done by Sam Whiting, then the Professional at Olympic) Inside Harding is a 9 hole executive course, named for its builder, Jack Fleming. Each course averages 80,000 rounds per year. Harding is scenic enough and tough enough to have challenged the PGA tourists in the Lucky and San Francisco Opens from 1959 through 1969.

John Grant is Golf Director for the City of San Francisco.
Dave Del Carlo is Director of Maintenance for all six San Francisco
municipal golf courses (Harding, Fleming, Lincoln, Golden Gate,
Sharp Park, McLaren)

Harding Superintendent is Milton Sideris. Milton graduated from Cal
Poly at San Luis Obispo in 1952, majoring in Ornamental Horticulture
For five years Milton worked as an ag extension specialist for the
United Nations in the Marshall Islands, trust territory of the Pacific.
After further work in education at Cal Poly, Milton joined the City of
San Francisco in 1961.

Harding Park Golf Course, 18 holes, 6637 Yards, Men's Par 72,
Women's Par 74, Men's Course Rating 70.7, Women's Course Rating 73.6
A true championship layout, Harding is located beside the shores of beau-
tiful Lake Merced in the Southwestern corner of San Francisco, Harding
Park is heavily forested with Monterey cypress and pine trees and is
well-trapped. Each hole presents a different and special kind of challenge
More information can be found in the 1975 NCGA Blue Book on about page 15
entitled "The 18th at Harding"

by John Grant

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by John Engen, CGCS, Butte Creek C.C., Chico

The five year program of the Golf Course Superintendents Institute at the
Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove is now in the past. Hopefully
it will be continued for another 5 years, but only if we have 70 super-
intendents signed up by June 1st of this year. I feel very fortunate
to have been able to attend all 5 Institutes and would not trade those 5
weeks of educational sessions for anything.

Much of the material presented has not been available to the golf course
superintendnet before and may be never again without continuing this
program.

This years Institute was most interesting with Geoffrey Cornish and Bob
Graves doing an excellent job with their presentations. I would like to
take this opportunity to thank Bill Davis, John Madison and Bob Hanna for
a job well done. A tremendous amount of work has gone into putting this
5 year program together. I would also like to thank all the Extension
Service people for their help and also all the speakers we've had the
last 5 years.

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BILL TIEMANN of Graeagle Golf Course wants to know if there are any "Hams"
in Northern California area that are superintendents. He would like to get
a Turf Net going. If any amateur is interested you will find Bill WA6LFD
on 75 meters around 3.890 to 3.895 at about 4:30 P.M.