

solve many of the common problems associated with irrigation equipment without waiting for outside help. Remember, the farther you are away from the metropolitan areas the slower help is in arriving. These delays can be costly in time, money and inconvenience, to say nothing of wasted water.

The Rotor course goes into the theory of application rotors, head spacing, infiltration rates of soils, uniformity of application, as well as operation and maintenance of arm impact, cam, ball, and turbo-gear sprinkler equipment.

The Remote Control Valve course covers the physical operation of all types of valves; normally open, normally closed hydraulics, electric, "TH", and including piston and diaphragm operation. Also covered are the electrical and hyd pilot sections of the controller. Each student is given a catalog showing cut-a-ways of all current popular makes and complete trouble shooting techniques to pinpoint problems quickly while eliminating guesswork. Each course is a two-day curriculum from 9:00 to 4:00 for a total of 12 concentrated hours of study for the man-in-the-field. These courses will be given once each for the months of January and February. Course cost is \$65.00 per student or \$115.00 for both courses (same student). Each class is limited to 15-20 students in our specially equipped audio-visual classroom for better communication with the student. The class room is located at 2366A Walsh Avenue, Santa Clara.

If you feel your organization can benefit from having this in-house capability please give "Sam" a call at (408) 246-2366. She will take your registrations and contact you with class schedules.

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REMINDER - In the November issue a short article on the Annual Awards appeared. I remember back in 1974 when some of the membership asked if an award of this nature could be done. The board of directors discussed this to some length, and came back to the membership with their ideas. After the first year selections, the membership wanted to get more involved in the selection process. This is the reason we ask for your nominations the latter part of each year. As we said before, time is getting short. Let's get your nominations in. March 1st is the deadline.

Past recipients are:

SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR - 1974 Cliff Wagoner, 1975 John Engen

1976 Kaz Maseba

EXCELLENCE IN GOLF TURF MANAGEMENT - 1974 Gurmit Sandhu, 1975 Bill Nigh

1976 Ed Watson

CLASS F AWARD - 1974 Joe Sheffield, 1975 Chuck Mangold, 1976 Jack Baker

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BILLS ARE ENCLOSED IN THOSE WHOSE DUES HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 27, 1977. All others should have membership cards