

- A. Discussions on trees and shrubs, types, location, care. These are mighty important to the playing characteristics of any course--as important as sand traps.
  - B. Location and clarity of O.B. and hazard stakes. I think this is nearly as important as fairway turf conditions and much more neglected.
  - C. Proper type and design of golf cart paths and locations.
  - D. General Housekeeping or (course keeping). Limit "Ground Under Repair" conditions. No situation should occur where the Rules of Golf are in doubt.
  - E. Maintenance and use of golf course equipment
  - F. Employee work schedules and training.
- So there can still be a greater exchange of ideas and as a result more learning. -- At least there would be for me.

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#### EDITORIAL - Reservation Cards - by Stan

I wish that everyone in the Association would have the opportunity to host a meeting and see what it is like trying to get everything organized not knowing how many people are going to show up. I know that this happens at almost every meeting, but it does not hit home until you host a meeting. So please sympathize with your host superintendent and get your cards sent in. If you think it will be late a phone call will do.

In closing I would like to say that I enjoyed very much having the privilege of hosting the GCSANC meeting and hope in the future to be able to be your host again. Thank you.

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OUR HOST FOR OCTOBER - Robert "Bob" Townsend's career in golf started in 1967 as a laborer constructing the Lake of the Pines Golf Course, Auburn, a Boise Cascade course. He moved to Lake Wildwood, Grass Valley, another Boise-Cascade, helping to construct it also. In 1971 he took the superintendent position at Lake of the Pines and moved to his present position in May 1976 as construction superintendent for Eagle Valley Golf Course, Carson City, Nevada. After the course opened on April 30, 1977 he stayed on as superintendent. Bob has been a member of Northern California since 1972 and became a Class B in September 1973 after passing his examination. He is also a member of Sierra-Nevada GCSA.

Eagle Valley Golf Course is a city owned, 18 hole golf course, elevation 4700 feet. The first year of operation 30,000 rounds of golf were played. It is a typical foothill course and closes primarily because of wind and cold, not snow. Snow has lasted only two days since Bob has been here. The wind and chill factor of 30<sup>0</sup>, and the course as hard as cement makes