playing seasonal. Already the lows of 23 and 24 degrees have arrived and then zooming to 60 degrees, makes persons playing the course aware of the fact that it is easier to take off a jacket than wishing you had one to put on.

The facility is irrigated by effluent water and Bob is willing to answer all questions pertaining to this type of irrigation.

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REVIEW OF SEPTEMBER MEETING by Cliff Wagoner, CGCS, Del Rio CC, Modesto Why would anyone invite golf course superintendents to his golf course knowing what the odds were of getting roasted?

Stan Burgess took on the odds because first he knew that the course was in good condition and second he figured a discussion of actual conditions might add to the education of those present. He was right. The Claremont Professional Tal Smith summed it up in an article he wrote for us.

Stan's maintenance practices include mowing greens with walk mowers and raking traps by hand, not too common any more, but both contribute to great golfing conditions. Even though bermuda encroaches into his greens, no control is necessary because the environment favors bent and pushes it back in the fall and winter. He plans to use Tupersan for pre-emergence crabgrass control in early spring because of a light infestation this year. Sand in his traps is on the coarse side with round particles which remain loose and very playable. His top dressing program consists of two applications of fine sand annually. The new shop area and a complete automatic sprinkling system tend to convince us that Stan has done a good selling job to the Green Committee on the need to have adequate facilities and equipment for maintenance of a first-class golf course.

Thanks Stan and Claremont for a great day.

It was suggested that we have a similar meeting on a municipal course so differences could be seen between these and the country club. If anyone on a muni would volunteer their course for a meeting we would appreciate it. Contact me at work Area Code 209 545-0723 or home 523-7141 Thank you.

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