The October meeting was held at Del Paso CC with Superintendent Tom Unruh hosting. We had a nice turn out.

Architect Herbert Fowler laid out Del Paso in 1916, as then, the Sacramento CC. Since then there has been only two changes on the entire course; which says a lot for the original design. The course was in great playing condition even though some of the scores were not.

Handicap Winners
Gale Love
Mike Phillips

Calloway
Ted Munnelly
Dick Aven
Don Naumann

Host Tom Unruh presented an excellent slide program on his main problem - Southern Blight. He is somewhat of an expert on the subject as he has the only documented case in Northern California.

Tom has cooperated with University of California, Davis in an effort to learn more about this fungus -- almost to the point of turning his course into a field laboratory.

The only resultant fact is that they know less about the fungus than they should. Good Luck Tom, and please Keep your shoes wiped.

NCTC awards banquet will be held November 29th at Spengers Grotto in Berkeley. Nominations are still being taken. Contact Jim Prusa for further information 408 426-5911.

As we come down to the end of the year; now is a good time to ask yourself; "What would I have done to improve our meetings?"

Jerry Gordon (Best Products) "I feel that information should be shared among superintendents. What works great for you might help someone else solve a problem. Also better scheduling of meetings. Topics should be in theme with the season."

Don Naumann (T & T Dist.) "We should have better scheduling of meetings. As of now we sometimes have conflicting dates with TARP or NCTC meetings. Golf in the afternoon, too."

Tom Thatcher (Stanford Golf Club) "Try to get more superintendents interested in attending the meetings, whether through programs or golf tournaments."

These were just a few of the comments I received. If you are interested in seeing your comment in print contact me at the meetings.

Welcome to Tom Christy, new Superintendent at Almaden CC, San Jose

Ken Sakai