

The following is from Bob Livesey, CGCS from Plaza Golf Course, Visalia

P C A CREDIT HOURS - For those that attended the Education and Equipment show at Anaheim early this year, and wish to receive continuing education credit toward your PCA License--the number that has been assigned is P - 3 - 81.

1981 CALIFORNIA GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT INSTITUTE at Asilomar

The second in a series of five sessions is over. Once again Bill Davis and his staff put together an outstanding program. For a few there was some repetition from past program; to some it was a review with a little more meat; and to others it went over their heads, but they were able to grasp a strand here and there.

Knowing how the grass plant uses water helped many to understand why we have so many problems relating to irrigation of turf. Also looking back at the drought, the people who had been managing their irrigation were not hurt as bad by lack of water.

In looking at all the information that was put out, it will not be to far off that wall-to-wall green will be out. Even the more affluent clubs will be taking a hard look at their water and power costs.

An important comment was made by Jack D. Butler of the Colorado State University ("We don't have the water so we can't use it") It seems that we may be in this predicament before too many years pass. Also Mr. Butler said, "Most of the golf courses in Colorado are not green, border to border" In looking at his slide presentation, the courses looked very good with the unwatered roughs of native grasses.

Bill Wildman's presentation of the use of infared photography of golf course irrigation systems was excellent. He showed how we could do the same in checking our irrigation from the air with very little cost.

Wouldn't it be nice if we all could afford a control system like Bill Bengeyfield has at Industry Hills? Maybe some day we will have to in order to use our water to our best advantage.

Over all, every one came away with some good information. Even if you were able to absorb only one thing, the Institute was worthwhile.

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LOST LOST - Anyone finding Bob Ford's folder containing information and minutes from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of Northern California meeting at Del Rio CC, Modesto on November 6, PLEASE CALL HIM IMMEDIATELY Club 415 948-6232 Home 408 281-3312 Thank you.