

Farm Advisor Larry Costello's topic on Nematodes seemed to stir up quite an interest. The problem came to light last year in the San Francisco and Monterey Bay areas to poa annua greens. Galls were found at the crown of the grass plants which were visible to the naked eye, but inside were upwards to 500 larva which feed on the inside of the plant. If you develop a mottling and yellowing that browns out, and the normal functions of fertilization and fungicides fail to get the grass to respond, look for the galls, get a soil test, and contact your farm advisor or UC Davis. There are nematicides available but are restricted. Nematodes are still being investigated and monitored and we will try to keep everybody updated as much as possible.

Bill Davis reported on the experimental green which is now about 20 months old. More stress tests are being performed, such as aerifying at two o'clock in the afternoon on the hottest day of the year to see how it responds. It will soon be open to foot traffic. There is a grant to enlarge the green for future nutrient tests etc. to aid the homeowner.

Thanks again to Tim and the entire Palo Alto staff for a superior effort.

NAUMANN'S NORCAL NEWS by Don Naumann

Tim Sedgley is the new General Manager-Superintendent at Palo Alto Hills G & CC. Tim has been the superintendent there for the past 3½ years.

Shoreline Golf Course (City of Mountain View) opens its doors to the public Memorial Day Weekend. Gary Carls is the Superintendent.

Paul Paulsen retired May 1 from 38 years of service to San Francisco GC, the last 32 of which he was the Superintendent. This ends a 52 year span that a member of the Paulsen family has been at the helm.

Bob Kleinsdicker is the new Superintendent at San Francisco GC. He is a graduate of Michigan St University, and was a Superintendent in Michigan. He has been the Assistant for the last 1½ years at SFGC.

Terry Stratton officially became the Superintendent at Contra Costa CC last month. He has been the acting Superintendent since Gale Love's departure last fall.

<p>A. L. CASTLE OF STOCKTON, INC. 5700 Cherokee Road Stockton 95205</p>	<p>CHEM-SPRAY COMPANY P. O. Box 7805 Stockton 95207</p>
<p>COUNTRY CLUB SALES, INC. 3381 Vincent Dr Pleasant Hill 94523</p>	<p>DUKE EQUIPMENT & IRRIGATION INC. 2344 Auburn Blvd Sacramento 95821</p>
<p>EL CAMINO CROP SUPPLY, INC. 37342 Blacow Road Fremont 94536</p>	<p>EWING IRRIGATION PRODUCTS 2462 Polvorosa Ave San Leandro 94577</p>