## Naumann's Norcal News - by Don Naumann

- Duncan Campbell Turner was recently named Superintendent at DeLaveaga Golf Course, a course owned by the City of Santa Cruz. Campbell is a past recipient of the GCSAA Student Scholarship, while attending Cal Poly Pomona. This is his first Superintendent job.
- Dean Gump at Pasatiempo Golf Course in Santa Cruz has been a busy fellow. Last year he completed building, a new driving range, practice tee, chipping green, and lesson area. Recently he finished rebuilding three new tees on the course.
- Summertime seems to be the time for paving. Golf courses throughout No. Calif. must have been in desperate need of asphalt. Among those courses either redoing cart paths or shop areas include Monterey Penninsula CC, San Jose CC, Pasatiempo, Green Valley CC, Santa Teresa, The Villages, and Palo Alto Muni.

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## Seed update - by Don Naumann

Most cool season grass seed used on golf courses is grown in the Willamette Valley of Oregon. Like other agricultural crops, the hope of a good crop is determined by mother nature.

Going into this summer harvest the crop looked excellent, promising farmers another banner year. However, this year is going to be a very frustrating one.

In the Willamette Valley most grass is dry farmed so no supplemental irrigation is required. When the plant has seeded out, it is normally swathed (cut) and layed to dry in the fields for 7 to 10 days. By that time the stalk is sufficiently dry enough to be ground up by a combine (cont. on page 7)