As we progressed through the project, we first seeded in early August and finished up our last area to be seeded in mid-September. The time element here was, in my mind extremely ritical, primarily due to the wide variance of ar/soil temperatures during this period. As an example, our germination period for a blue/rye mix was 8 days early in the project and 18 days at the end. The growth rate matching up closely with germination.

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As we bring areas "in-line", we will attempt to open them for play. We are scheduling a re-opening for the first of Spring and it looks as if we're on schedule. I feel that we will have to raise mowing heights slightly the first year of operation to reduce stress on the new plant.

This on-going saga to be continued

Ken Saki,CGCS

PEOPLE AND THEIR JOBS

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

Leaps tall buildings in a single bound, Is more powerful than a locomotive, Is faster than a speeding bullet, Walks on water, Gives policy to God.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Leaps short buildings with a running start and a favorable wind, Is almost as powerful as a switch engine, Is faster than a speeding BB, Walks on water in an indoor swimming pool, Talks with God if special request is approved.

CHAIRMAN OF THE GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Lifts buildings and walks under them, Kicks locomotives off of the tracks.

Catches speeding bullets in his teeth and eats them,

Freezes water with a single glance, His IS God.

NOTES ON THE GOLF COURSE CONSTRUCTION SEMINAR

Forty-eight people from all parts of the US and Singapore gathered in Pleasanton for the Golf Course Construction Seminar. We spent 2 full days building a Golf Course from a set of plans provided. We built tees, greens, fairways by grading complete to seeding. We discovered maintenance is more important to the customer than the Golf Course Design. Here are ten factors impacting a golf customer:

- 1. Aesthetics of entrance way and parking area.
- 2. Personality behind counter.
- Cleanliness of Pro shop and rest rooms, golf carts.
- 4. Condition of practice green and first tee.
- 5. General condition of greens.
- 6. General condition of tees.
- 7. General condition of fairways.
- 8. General condition of sand traps.
- 9. General condition of roughs.
- 10. Design of the golf course.

MAINTENANCE DOES PAY! LET'S KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

1988 CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 2, 1988 Rancho Canada 9:30 AM Larry Lloyd Memorial Golf Tournament-Shotgun Start 6:30 PM Hosted Cocktails 7:30 PM Steak or Catch of the Day 8:30 PM Awards 9:00PM Dancing until midnight Cancellation Date- November 23-No refunds after this date. Current USGA or NCGA Handicap card needed to compete for prizes.

MYRTLE'S NEWS NOTES

Gary Puckett from Heidleberg GC in Germany reports everything is so green, no water problems here other than too much at times. His problems-strict rules on spraying chemicals. He looks forward to seeing all of us in Anaheim.

Bob Ford CGCS, is the new Supt. at Oak Knoll GC in Ashland Ore. Bob is back at the first GC he started at-He says hello to everyone.

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