BYLAW CHANGES

In past months there has been much talk about Bylaw changes. the basis for these has been mainly in the membership classes, due to some gray areas. Instead of just changing one or two, the Bylaws are being gone through from front to back. It takes many many hours of rewriting and editing, which is the biggest reason for the delay. The Board hopes to have them completed in the months to come for a vote on by the membership.

Please bear with Board and the Bylaws committee; there are a few gray areas that can affect other Bylaws, so it makes the process a little more difficult.

The new changes will hopefully make things easier for the Board and the membership.

Sincerely,

Al Schlothauer, CGCS

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

At a recent Board meeting for the purpose of reviewing our present membership, it was noted that quite a few of our members are qualified to take their class A & B exams. It is the goal of any good association to grow and prosper in order to survive. Ours is no exception. Too merely become a member is not enough. The Board realizes that due to the nature of our business it is sometimes hard to schedule the time to take your exam. The Board is also sensitive to the fact that some people have trouble taking exams. Trust me, you're not alone. It is for this reason we would like to set up a special study session to help our members prepare for their exams. If you are interested in participating in the study session in September. please call Pete Galea, CGCS, at Crystal Springs GC, (415) 342-4188. Remember, this isn't only for the benefit of the association, it's for your's as well. Take the time and get involved.

ALL APPLICATIONS TO UPGRADE TO ANOTHER CLASS, MUST BE IN THE OFFICE BY AUGUST 20 IF YOU PLAN TO TEST AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING.

GCSANC SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

The Golf Course Superintendents Association of Northern California has for the very first time initiated a Scholarship Program for students in the Horticultural field. At the present time we have two viable scholarships in effect and one more in the process. These scholarships are available to deserving students at Diablo Valley College, Pleasant Hill, Foothill College, Los Altos Hills and Solano Community College in Suisun.

The Scholarships are funded by an allottment from th dollara for golf and by contributions to the Scholarship and Research fund.

Our first scholarship was awarded to Roxanne Baxter-Wilson, a student attending Diablo Valley College. It was a wonderful choice. Roxanne is a single parent struggling to support herself and her six year old daughter. She is a full time student , works part-time, runs her houselhold and st II manages to maintain a 4.0 grade point average.

This award has fullfilled one of our goals, of having the opportunity to help someone to further their education and perhaps to also make a difference in their life.

By the awarding of scholarships to needy students we can create an awarenss within the community of our association and build for the future of the Turf Industry.

The annual award to each school is valued at \$500.00. The main criteria is: enrollment in the Horticulture Program, financial need, extra curricular activitires, scholastic achievement and a demonstrated interest in Turfgrass Management.

Article by Joe Rodriquez, CGCS, Scholarship Committee Chairman.

A LOOK AHEAD

GCSANC Board Meeting
Jr. Golf Tournament-SantaClara
Golf and Tennis Club
Sharon Heights G&CC-SuptPro Tourney
Woodbridge G &CC
GCSANC Seminar
Franklin Canyon GC
Christmas Party