### **Job Listing**

#### ASST SUPERINTENDENT

Contra Costa Country Club, a private club founded in 1925, is seeking candidates with a two or four year college education in turf management, horticulture or related field, one to three years of golf course maintenance experience, and an understanding of the game of golf. Must have or be readily prepared to obtain Q.A.C.

Competitive salary commensurate with education and experience. Benefit package includes health, life, dental, and daily meal. Responsible to head superintendent.

Send resume to: Anthony Steers, Contra Costa CC, 801 Golf Club Rd., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523 or call 510/687-9880 or 510/798-7135.

## FYI

by Barbara Mikel

Twenty Five Years...

his year, the association awarded twenty-five year pins to three of our own:

Sohan Singh, CGCS Diablo Country Club

Robert E. Livesey, CGCS Class A Life Member

Alfred S. Norman Retired Superintendent Salinas Fairways Golf Course Congratulations, and thank you for your support of GCSANC.

### Job Bank Works

Lately we have been mailing a lot of job notices to our Class A, B and Associate members. If you have a position open that you would like to advertise, you can call the office for additional information and details on the procedure to use. It seems to work well for our members and their clubs. We try to get these notices to you within three days of our receipt.

# Tips from the USGA Are You Listening to Real Golfers?

by Paul Vermeulen USGA Agronomist

Sometimes you have to just sit back and wonder about some comments golfers make. For example, a couple of years ago I was riding around with a new member on one of America's top ten courses, and on the 14th fairway he started complaining about ballmarks. Not ballmarks on the greens, mind you, but ballmarks on the fairway! Furthermore, his belief was that if the maintenance staff could not keep up with things, the members were going to have to play Winter Rules. How would you even begin with a response to such a ridiculous statement?

Let me tell you what I wanted to say: "Hey mister, are you a real golfer, or are you just someone pretending to be a real golfer? Because if you're just pretending, then I'll pretend I'm your doctor and prescribe 10cc's of cyanide."

If you're not sure what a "real" golfer is, here is a list you can use.

#### Real Golfers:

- 1. know that it is not always possible to find their ball-mark, so they fix all the ballmarks they find. They would also never complain to the superintendent about unfixed ballmarks, they would talk to their fellow players, who are responsible!
- 2. know better than to clean their balls in their mouth. Not because they are worried about pesticide residue, but because they know better than to eat dirt!
- 3. never move their ball on the fairway, even if it is resting in a divot.

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