

Sonar Splash (Cont'd)

the concentration of active Ingredient. Levels minute as a part per billion can be detected and sequential applications, if needed, can be scheduled. The ability to monitor concentrations of fluridone can be particularly important in large bodies of water and in conditions when irrigation is considered. Irrigation of turfgrass according to label instruction should be delayed for 30 days.

Chemical treatments to lakes usually implies frequent repeat treatments. Under most conditions a single application of Sonar can provide acceptable levels of control for one to two years. An obvious benefit to the environment, and to a labor conscious superintendent.

By no means is Sonar a panacea to aquatic weed control. Its range of control is limited, (see label for weeds controlled) however it does provide an exiting new alternative for aquatic weed management. Like all chemicals, it should be used as a component of a comprehensive weed management program. ♦

Naumann's NorCal News

Carl King is the new superintendent at Merced Country Club in Merced. He is replacing Ray Davies who moved on to Crystal Springs GC in Burlingame. Carl most recently was with Western Golf driving the accessory truck. Prior to that he was the Supt. at Delta View Golf Course in Pittsburg... Two new golf course just opened up in Northern California in October, San Juan Oaks Golf Club in Hollister is a Fred Couples/Gene Bates design, Brand Langley is the Supt. In Livermore, Poppy Ridge Golf Course owned by the NCGA, is a 27 hole course designed by Rees Jones. Todd Cook is the Supt. . . . On Tuesday, October 8, the thermometer reached 108° F hitting an all time all season record. The next day the temperature hit 68° F. Who says its easy to grow grass on the coast.

Boardroom Briefs

- ♦ Barbara Mikel noted that she will be ordering new membership cards for 1997 renewals. The cards will reflect classification changes for some members, a result of the bylaw changes approved by the membership at the April annual meeting.
- ♦ The Board approved a motion to pay 50% (not to exceed \$500.00) of the costs associated with the education program for the joint meeting with Sierra Nevada.
- ♦ Bob Costa requested that he be relieved of his duties as Program Chairman at the conclusion of the January general meeting. Bob's request was made due to his increased responsibilities as Education Committee Chairman, and Newsletter Editor. Gary Carls will likely assume the Program Chairmanship.
- ♦ Gary Carls reported that one scholarship application has been received to date, however he anticipates several more to arrive as the November 15th deadline approaches.
- ♦ Blake Swint unveiled a new format for the Christmas party, which will include an expedited scoring system. Results of the tournament will be announced shortly after golf allowing winners to utilize their gift certificates. This change, along with an earlier start for cocktails and dinner will provide less interruption during the party.
- ♦ The Board, always eager for membership input, will periodically be using the monthly meeting registration forms to solicit comments from members on various subject matter.
- ♦ Board members have requested data on monthly meeting costs, and a breakdown of attendance by member classification. The information will be reviewed at a future meeting and recommendations will be forthcoming.
- ♦ Bob Costa announced a proposed deal, to provide logoed merchandise to the membership. The Board requested that sample items be displayed at the Institute for the purpose of obtaining membership feedback. The arrangement would allow members to order NorCal logoed merchandise direct from the Manufacturer..
- ♦ The 65th anniversary of the GCSANC will be highlighted at the general meeting in January.
- ♦ The Board has authorized Barbara Mikel to submit an application to GCSAA for a computer training program scheduled for next spring. If selected Barbara would fly to Lawrence where she would receive free Microsoft software and be trained in its use for chapter activities.

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