

Boardroom Briefs

• Dave Sexton, CGCS, performed the annual review of the GC-SANC books and accounting procedures. Dave reported that he was satisfied with the manner in which the Board, and Association Secretary, Barbara Mikel had managed the finances of the Association.

• Jeff Ball, a recent arrival to northern California from Florida, made a brief presentation to the Board suggesting that they consider funding an economic survey to determine the impact of golf in California. In addition, Jeff recommended the development of a 60 second promo video related to golf and the environment.

• Secretary/Treasurer, Gary Carls, CGCS, announced that a portion of the scholarship reserve account had been transferred to Golf Links Credit Union. Golf Links Credit Union access is available to GCSAA members.

• Affiliate representative John Holmquist presented to the Board a draft of the long awaited sponsorship program. John has been working in conjunction with Bob Costa in the development of this program. John reports the plan is to introduce the program to the affiliates at the upcoming Annual Meeting. Sponsorship opportunities would be available beginning in January, 1999.

• Mike Nunemacher announced plans to arrange a joint family day

venture with members from the Sierra Nevada chapter. The family gathering would be centered upon attending an A's game on Sunday, sometime during late May. Stay tuned for details.

• Program Chairman, Gary Carls, CGCS, reported that the dates and location for the Superintendent/Pro Tournament have been changed. The new tentative date and site is July 21st at the soon to open Wentz Golf Course in Livermore.

• The Board of Directors unanimously voted against making a five year commitment to support the GCSAA Foundation through a joint state contribution. The Board is exploring making some form of a contribution to the Foundation, directly to GCSAA.

• Wayne Lindelof, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee announced his selection committee has chosen five students as recipients of CGCSANC Scholarships. Presentations were made on April 6th at the Annual Meeting.

• Bob Costa, CGCS, reported to the Board that a letter informing the affiliates of the new advertising program, is in the draft state. A plan to include limited advertising in the Membership Directory was also proposed and approved by the Board. Costa also announced that GCSANC member superintendent, Brian Bagley, will be featured in the next issue of California Fairways.

Bluegrass Control (Conclusion)

reports. "First of all, the product provides both a preemergence and postemergence of control of annual bluegrass with multiple applications. Prograss had been looked at as a preemergence product with some level of postemergence activity. We found that if we didn't irrigate immediately following a Prograss application, we enhanced postemergence activity. This led us to believe that in our control area, Prograss provides more of a defined postemergence effect that previously observed.

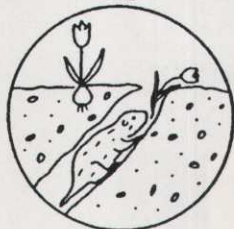
"Secondly, observations in this field and in field trials in Southern California indicate that Prograss does not affect the germination or normal development of perennial ryegrass. This is doubly important because more and more golf course superintendents are using

perennial ryegrass as the selected turf type for roughs and fairways. In essence, superintendents don't have to worry about timing Prograss applications around overseeding programs."

Superintendents throughout the Pacific Northwest may be able to extrapolate certain aspects of these results to their own conditions. Annual bluegrass is a specific annual weed problem in those locations, as well as in central California. Outside coastal areas, the Prograss program should perform even better because extreme summer heat reduces *Poa annua* infestations during summer months.

"Prograss is a very effective product for treating annual bluegrass in solid stands of perennial ryegrass," says Mahady. "There's no doubt about it, it works very well."

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