THRU THE GREEN

Office Notes

By: Barbara Mikel

ope you enjoyed the Rossmoor Scholarship Research Tournament. Golf seemed to move along nicely. Lunch was great! I had to leave early so Randy Gai was beneficiary of my raffle tickets and I passed along that bequest to me by Dave Davies. Well, Dave and I came up empty handed but when the tickets floated into Randy's hand, they just seem to turn to gold! (Or was it green?) Guess that's what we get for leaving early (4:00 PM)!

Each year we get support from an array of vendors, club pros, superintendents, and club officials. It seems to be no matter how hard we try we miss someone along the way. This year it was my turn to "out" Jeff Jones from Bay Irrigation and Turf Supply. Jeff has been an energetic supporter of the association since joining in 1995. Jeff, Sorry about leaving you off the "yellow thank you list"!

Craig Kilcoyne and Steve Franzen, the affiliate reps for this event definitely get a "Thank you" from me for shouldering so much of the work for this tournament. Special thanks to Toni Kilcoyne for her "extra helpful" presence! Toni has been around for the last two tournaments and Craig even enlisted the help of his in-laws for the event!

Sunnyvale GC and Dr. Harivandi to Hold Ryegrass Trial

A perennial ryegrass variety evaluation trial is set to be installed this fall at the Sunnyvale Golf Course. The purpose of the trial will be to determine the most suitable perennial ryegrass varieties for use in Northern California. This research will be particularly timely given the rapid progress of the new and devastating ryegrass disease, Gray Leaf Spot. Gray Leaf Spot has decimated perennial ryegrass stands throughout the mid-continent of the United States. The trial will enable researchers to collect valuable information for superintendents about varietal disease tolerance, as well as environmental suitability. Evaluations, ratings, and analysis of the turf plots will be done by Dr. Harivandi and his research associates. The project is scheduled to run for four years.

Superintendents Curtis Black and Chris Gose are seeking volunteers to help with the installation of this very beneficial trial. If you can lend a hand, please contact Chris at (408) 730-7625.

Naumann's NorCal News

Vince Keats is the new superintendent at Napa Valley Country Club. Vince was the assistant in charge of the Cliffs Course at the Olympic Club prior to his move. He is replacing Ray Leyland who will be the Branch Manager for Sierra Pacific Turf Supply in Napa....Scott Bowers has left Greenhorn Creek Golf Club to become the superintendent at Black Point GC in Marin County. Black Point is a new golf course now under construction......

1999 Scholarship Applications

GCSANC scholarship application forms for 1999 are being sent to university professors and turfgrass programs throughout Northern California. Scholarships are available to deserving turfgrass and ornamental horticulture students either from or attending school in Northern California. This year's deadline is for applications is November 5th. Scholarships will be awarded at the Annual Meeting in January. For an application or for more information, please contact Ken Williams, CGCS or Barb in the office.

Terry's Tournament Tips

September 1999

By Terry Grasso

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