May/June, 2010

By this time, you are all engaged in the business of golf course maintenance. Hopefully the weather hasn’t upset maintenance schedules too much; it’s been an odd year in Northern California.

If you haven’t already done so, please visit the web site: www.gcsanc.com. Now available are printable Adobe PDF directory files in three different categories: Company, Last Name and Membership Classification. We are in the process of creating a new online directory using the “NXTbook” media. This is same media format used in Thru the Green. Since the old directory format is so popular, we decided to investigate the “flip page” style. More importantly for lot of you, it will be printable to ride along in your car while you travel the roads of California.

The membership renewal period for 2010 has been completed. A small number of 2009 members are not with us this year. Most lapsed as a result of job relocation, unfortunately some due to job losses. We are looking forward to the return of these members in the future.

There are lots of interesting and challenging events this year in the California golf industry. In this issue of Thru the Green, you will see mention of the California Alliance for Golf meeting. Another golf industry meeting was called at the invitation of Lyn Nelson, CEO of NCGA. It brought together association executives and volunteer leaders representing Northern California allied industries. For a full day the discussion updated the state of the golf industry in Northern California. GCSANC President Thomas Bastis, CGCS and I attended the meeting at Poppy Hills. It involved economic, environmental and social impacts and “good of the game” issues. This first of its kind meeting was a constructive introduction to many of the other “faces” in Northern California Golf.

**OFFICE NOTES / BARBARA MIKEL**

**NAUMANN’S NORCAL NEWS**

**DON NAUMANN**

Dennis Orsborn has accepted the superintendent position at the Las Positas Golf Course in Livermore. He is replacing Moody Ayeb who has moved to another position within CourseCo. Dennis is a 25+ year superintendent coming to N. California after considerable experience in the Palm Springs area. Las Positas GC is owned by the City of Livermore where Jeff Shafer is the Director of Golf………Scott Carrier is the new superintendent at Foxtail Golf Course in Rohnert Park. Scott was with Eagle Golf overseeing over sixty courses in Texas. It is a return trip for Scott as he had been superintendent at San Geronimo GC prior to his move to Texas……….John Jorgensen is the new superintendent at Lone Tree GC in Antioch. John is replacing Wayne Lindelof, CGCS who has moved on to a Federal Government position at Fort Mason in San Francisco………..

**NORCALENDAR**

**MAY 6**
Superintendent Field Day
Pasatiempo Golf Club
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**JUNE 21**
Superintendent
Professional Tournament
Silver Creek Valley Country Club

**JULY 26**
Wagoner Scholarship
Research Tournament
Lake Merced Country Club

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

Daniel Anderson
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Poppy Ridge Golf Course
Class C

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David Falliaux
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Superintendent Member

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