

## P R E S I D E N T ' S   M E S S A G E



BOB FORD

During my last two years on the Board as Secretary-Treasurer and Vice President/Membership Chairman, several questions and letters have been brought before the Board and myself, regarding the stature of our organization and the need for some changes to keep up with the changing world.

I would like to put these questions before the entire membership for their comments, plus add my feelings about them.

1. IS THIS A PROFESSIONAL GROUP AND ARE WE GETTING THE RECOGNITION WE DESERVE? Yes we are a professional group locally, nationally, and now a statewide affiliated chapter of the national.

We probably are not getting the recognition we deserve because as one person put it "some members do not project themselves in a professional manner".

2. DO WE NEED OUR OWN OFFICE? Probably down the road a few years. At present we cannot afford it, plus we have a hard working executive secretary with 50 plus years of knowledge and records.
3. DO WE NEED CLASS F MEMBERS IN THE ASSOCIATION? All I can say is, without their contributions and support, the price tag on our functions would be astronomical (THANKS F MEMBERS)
4. WHY DO WE HAVE SOME 70 GOLF COURSES IN OUR AREA WITH NO REPRESENTATIVE IN THIS ASSOCIATION? The commercial members have helped bring in several new members, but the 70 letters that were sent out only brought in three new applicants. Do you have a neighbor that doesn't know about our association?
4. DO WE NEED A CLASS A & B EXAM? Some associations only require a pesticide applicators license and or oral interview.
6. WHY WON'T PEOPLE PROGRESS UP IN CLASSIFICATION? Is it because of the tests. The new people that want to progress up are being held back because of this. There were three such instances in one year. Tom Christy of Almaden has drafted a bylaw change that should be considered.
7. DO WE NEED REGIONAL DIRECTORS? We recognize that many geographic areas are not participating in our monthly functions.
8. DO WE NEED MORE BOARD OF DIRECTORS? A treasurer, etc.

If anyone has any comments and or suggestions, I welcome them, preferably in letter form, so nothing gets lost in the translation. Send to Bob Ford 283 Esteban Way, San Jose, CA 95119

B O A R D B R I E F S

May 18, 1983 - Aptos Seascape - Bob Ford presiding  
New Members - Class D

Manuel Neves III 415 755-8379  
651 San Diego Ave  
Daly City, CA 94014  
Gleneagles GC, 415 587-2425

Keith O'Day 408 294-2659  
359 Chateau La Salle  
San Jose, CA 95111  
The Villages 408 274-0409

Pending 30-day waiting period

Class D

Ken Schwark  
Richmond CC, Richmond  
David Vaught  
Shoreline GC, Mt View

Class F

Thomas Comalli, O.M. Scott  
Timothy Carpenter, E-Z-Go  
Kent Myers, E-Z-Go

Frank Barberio, Mira Vista Golf Club, El Cerrito passed Class A exam.

Joint meeting with Sierra-Nevada confirmed. Walt Bray is trying to get a package deal for the weekend.

Audit committee of Jim Ross, Paul Dias, Al Schlothauer, Bob Ford reports the books are in order.

Bob Ford reported on the California GCSA meeting. In 1984 it will be in the Northern California area. All the California delegates voted unanimously to support Bob Ford as a candidate for director of GCSA of America.

IN MEMORIUM - WILLIAM F. SOUSA, Alameda, a native of Massachusetts, aged 83 years. A retired superintendent of the Alameda golf course for the City of Alameda and W.W.II veteran of the U.S. Army. Joined GCSA of Northern California in 1946, Class A-Life member since 1964.

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+ THANK YOU Paul Lloyd and Aptos Seascape for hosting our meeting +  
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Joe Sheffield thanks all for the aid given him at the last meeting and especially Paul Lloyd.

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+ Want to be a Class A Certified Superintendent? Plans are now being +  
+ made to hold study classes and take the test sometime this fall. +  
+ Please contact Bob Ford 415 948-6232 or 408 281-3312 if you are +  
+ interested +  
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## LARGEST TURNOUT EVER

The regional TARP meeting at Palo Alto Hills G & CC on April 26th was the largest turnout ever for a meeting since the regional format was adopted. A total of 84 people attended a fine meeting and lunch. Those who played golf that afternoon discovered why Tim Sedgley won the award for Excellence in Turfgrass Management. The course was in great shape considering the 2" of rain Tim got that weekend. Super job Tim.

The meeting, conducted by Gordon Scott and Charles McFarland, included speakers: John Zoller "The New NCGA Golf Course at Poppy Hills", Chuck Pratt "The Trouble Shooting Techniques for Turf Management", Larry Costello "Are Nematodes Killing Your Greens", and Bill Davis "An Update on the New Experimental Green".

The architect picked for the "Poppy Hills" layout was Robert Trent Jones, Jr. John showed the layout over the 168 acres of wooded land purchased on the Monterey Peninsula for \$7,000 an acre. The Pebble Beach Corp. kept some land in and around the golf course for future development. The new NCGA course will sure help alleviate a lot of the pressure of tournaments, tournament dates, and the addition of new tournaments to the other courses in the NCGA.



Chuck brought to light some interesting facts concerning soil tests and the PH of the soil. There are two types of soil tests: dry and saturated paste. There is a significant difference between the two. Chuck uses the saturated paste method as do most companies in the west. It may be necessary for you to try your own comparison to see the difference as Chuck did at UC Davis.

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<p>BAY IRRIGATION &amp; TURF SUPPLY 2041 Commerce Avenue Concord 94520</p>	<p>BROWN SAND, INC. 874 East Woodward Avenue Manteca 95336</p>
<p>KEITH BRAMAN, IRRIGATION CONSULTANT 21535 Stage Coach Road Los Gatos 95030</p>	<p>H. V. CARTER COMPANY, INC. 1700 E. 14th St -P.O.Box 12006 Oakland 94604</p>

Farm Advisor Larry Costello's topic on Nematodes seemed to stir up quite an interest. The problem came to light last year in the San Francisco and Monterey Bay areas to poa annua greens. Galls were found at the crown of the grass plants which were visible to the naked eye, but inside were upwards to 500 larva which feed on the inside of the plant. If you develop a mottling and yellowing that browns out, and the normal functions of fertilization and fungicides fail to get the grass to respond, look for the galls, get a soil test, and contact your farm advisor or UC Davis. There are nematicides available but are restricted. Nematodes are still being investigated and monitored and we will try to keep everybody updated as much as possible.

Bill Davis reported on the experimental green which is now about 20 months old. More stress tests are being performed, such as aerifying at two o'clock in the afternoon on the hottest day of the year to see how it responds. It will soon be open to foot traffic. There is a grant to enlarge the green for future nutrient tests etc. to aid the homeowner.

Thanks again to Tim and the entire Palo Alto staff for a superior effort.

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NAUMANN'S NORCAL NEWS by Don Naumann

Tim Sedgley is the new General Manager-Superintendent at Palo Alto Hills G & CC. Tim has been the superintendent there for the past 3½ years.

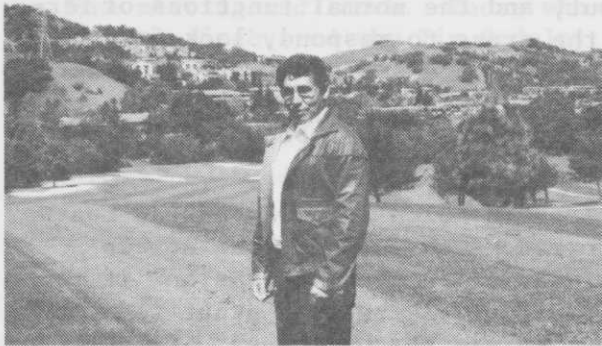
Shoreline Golf Course (City of Mountain View) opens its doors to the public Memorial Day Weekend. Gary Carls is the Superintendent.

Paul Paulsen retired May 1 from 38 years of service to San Francisco GC, the last 32 of which he was the Superintendent. This ends a 52 year span that a member of the Paulsen family has been at the helm.

Bob Kleinsdicker is the new Superintendent at San Francisco GC. He is a graduate of Michigan St University, and was a Superintendent in Michigan. He has been the Assistant for the last 1½ years at SFGC.

Terry Stratton officially became the Superintendent at Contra Costa CC last month. He has been the acting Superintendent since Gale Love's departure last fall.

<p>A. L. CASTLE OF STOCKTON, INC. 5700 Cherokee Road Stockton 95205</p>	<p>CHEM-SPRAY COMPANY P. O. Box 7805 Stockton 95207</p>
<p>COUNTRY CLUB SALES, INC. 3381 Vincent Dr Pleasant Hill 94523</p>	<p>DUKE EQUIPMENT &amp; IRRIGATION INC. 2344 Auburn Blvd Sacramento 95821</p>
<p>EL CAMINO CROP SUPPLY, INC. 37342 Blacow Road Fremont 94536</p>	<p>EWING IRRIGATION PRODUCTS 2462 Polvorosa Ave San Leandro 94577</p>



Joseph Rodriguez started his career at Oak View Cemetery in Antioch in 1959. In 1969 he went to work for Contra Costa County in Landscape. He progressed to the Chief Gardener position where he was in charge of all landscaped and turf areas within the County's jurisdiction. While with Contra Costa County, Joe graduated from Diablo Valley College with a degree in Ornamental Horticulture. He also attended Los Medanos College for two years and possesses a State Contractor's License for Landscaping. Joe has been Superintendent at the Rossmoor Golf Course since 1978.

HOST Joe Rodriguez  
on 12th hole

community has its own medical clinic and security force for the 8,400 residents whose age averages 74.5 years. Rossmoor maintenance and management is administered by the Golden Rain Foundation.

Rossmoor is a planned adult community that was first opened in 1964. The

The 18 hole private golf course was dedicated in 1964 with a new 9 holes added in 1975. The new 9 were designed by Robert Muir Graves and blended into the back nine for the 18 hole South Course. The original front nine became the North Course.

The South Course is rated at 67.9 from the white tees with a length of 5,765 yards. Cart paths extend from Tee to Green with carts restricted at all times. Because of the age factor there is no rough, with approximately 175 acres of fairways being mowed 2½ times a week. Rossmoor has averaged 88,000 rounds of play a year over the past 3 years.

The 11th green on the South course has been rebuilt with the 8th green scheduled next. In addition, new bunkers are scheduled to the right of the 6th and 15th greens.

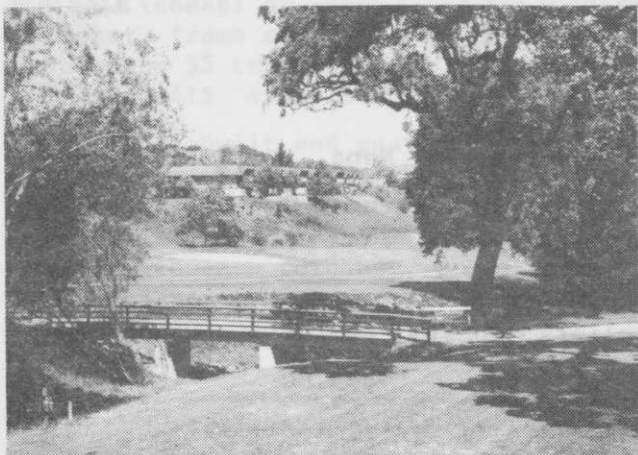
The Golf Pro at Rossmoor is Norm Oliver, with whom we have a very cooperative working relationship

GOLF - A good walk spoiled --- not so at Rossmoor

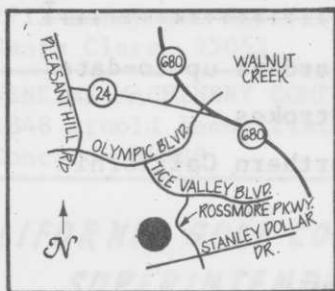
B R I N G   Y O U R   W A L K I N '   S H O E S

Rossmoor has only private carts so bring your own pull cart

See you there



13th Hole Rossmoor



**ROSSMOOR C.C.**

From West - Hwy 24 to Pleasant Hill Road exit. Right on Pleasant Hill Road to Olympic Blvd. Left on Olympic to Tice Valley Blvd. Right on Tice Valley to Rossmoor.

S P E A K E R

Warren Bidwell



is the retired Golf Course Superintendent of Olympia Fields CC and has served major clubs in the Midwest for 52 years. He has traveled extensively on professional turf related business overseas. He will now spend full time working on behalf of Penncross and Penneagle bentgrasses, according to Tee-2-Green Corporation. He has hosted PGA championships in 1961 and 1976

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Pebble Beach 93953

J. R. SIMPLOT COMPANY  
P. O. Box 198  
Lathrop 95350

P. E. O'HAIR & COMPANY  
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PLANT GRO CORPORATION  
P. O. Box 703  
San Jose 95106

RAINBIRD SALES INC. - Turf Division  
20830 Chester St  
Castro Valley 94546

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1066 Polk Street  
Salinas 93906

From South - 680 North To South Main Street off ramp. South Main to Newell Avenue. Left on Newell to Olympic Blvd. Left on Olympic to Tice Valley Blvd. Left on Tice Valley to Rossmoor

From North - 680 South to Newell Ave exit. Right on Newell to Olympic Blvd. Left on Olympic to Tice Valley Blvd. Left on Tice Valley to Rossmoor.

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION  
OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

1983 Superintendent/Pro Tournament

DATE - July 13, 1983 - Wednesday  
PLACE - Silverado CC, 1600 Atlas Peak Rd, Napa  
HOST - BRIAN MORRIS, Golf Course Superintendent  
Note corrected name, Apologies Brian  
STARTING TIME - 9:30 a.m. Shotgun  
ENTRY FEE - Superintendent, Suppliers, Guest \$40.00  
- Professionals \$45.00

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+ Add \$5.00 to your entry fee if not postmarked before July +  
+ 1st - Entries will not be accepted after July 8th +  
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HANDICAPS - Make sure your N.C.G.A. Handicap card is up-to-date  
Maximum Allowable Handicap is 20 Strokes  
Each 4-some MUST have a GCSA of Northern California  
member in it

LUNCH AND PROGRAM TO FOLLOW GOLF

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO G.C.S.A. OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA  
1233 Kansas Avenue  
Modesto, CA 95351

PLEASE PRINT AND RETURN

Superintendent or Supplier	Current HDCP
Club or Business	
PROFESSIONAL	HDCP
GUEST	HDCP
GUEST	HDCP

## CLASSIFIED

**FOR SALE** (cheap) or **TRADE** Front end loader **FOR SALE** Jacobsen Mowers - 1980 F-10 bucket, frame and pump to fit a Massey 1972 F-10, 1978 Turf King, 2-74 Jake Ferguson 35 tractor **CONTACT** Richard Greens King **CONTACT** Tom Christy Lavine 415 453-5220 408 268-08888

**FOR SALE** 3 rebuilt and guaranteed Hot High Pressure Washers (Steam Cleaners) Approx 1/3 price of new machine. Will demonstrate and deliver - no charge. Free with each purchase, one 5 gal. pail cleaning compound (\$42) Call Collect 408 449-3514 Bill Reynolds Sales, Salinas

**WANTED:** Mechanic for Shoreline Golf Course, Mountain View **CONTACT** Gary Carls 408 968-9032

Things don't turn up in this world until someone turns them up

FERRY-MORSE SEED COMPANY P. O. Drawer 7274 Mountain View 94042	GOLFCO - John Engen P. O. Box 545 Graeagle 96103
GOLF CAR WEST - CUSHMAN 2715 Lafayette Street Santa Clara 95052	INTERNATIONAL SEEDS INC. 820 First Street Halsey, Oregon 97348
JENKINS MACHINERY COMPANY 1848 Arnold Industrial Place Concord 94520	NAIAD COMPANY - Don Scott 7531 Homewood Court Pleasanton 94566

## CALIFORNIA GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION

TO SAY the 1983 California GCSA annual meeting and conference was a success would be a severe understatement. The San Diego Chapter, Dave Fleming and his crew, and all the staff at Singing Hills Country Club came up with a superior effort. You could find no fault in their efforts from the warm welcome of the club house and pro shop staffs, and the fine meals, to the excellent educational sessions with exceptional speakers.

John Van Dam led off with a talk on integrated pest management (1. Genetic 2. Physical 3. Cultural 4. Regulatory) He then presented us with an updated report on the 5 year research project called CIMIS California Irrigation Management Information System.

Dave Schultheiss talked on aquatic weed control, mechanical, biological, growth regulators, and chemical to control the 3 types - submersed, emersed, and free floating. Dave noted one thing of interest - he mixes cutrine to diquat for a better thoroughness of kill and a longer residual effect.



Dr. Joe Vargas followed with a talk on disease, not just fungi but bacterial disease. It infects the cells that transfer the water thru the plant.

Roy McMikkin of the B. Hayman Co. gave a slide presentation of the types of equipment at national equipment shows in England and Japan. It showed the on site demonstrations in England to the exclusive Japanese only equipment (with a resemblance to American) show, geared to their 900 private courses.

Dave Fleming's presentation on color on the golf course was self evident. All you needed to do was walk outside and look around. With about \$4,000 worth of annuals, it is a nice compliment to all the other trees and shrubs.

Jim Lipari of Upjohn Co. discussed the control of diseases with a nice slide presentation of all the major diseases and their control.

Craig Kolodge talked on growth regulators. Primarily Embar, Maintain and Atrinol and what kind of results you get from the three.

Don Niboli of Wilbur-Ellis had a presentation on incapsulation. He spoke of a product Bivert that stops evaporation, is a drift retardant, gives superior coverage, sticks to target, easy to use, and economical.

Attending Steve Carlton, Howard Fisher, Rich Lavine, Jim Ross and wife, Bob Ford and wife, Al Schlothauer and wife, Bob Dalton, Al Moser, Doc Babson, Tim Sedgley and wife, Don Naumann and wife, Bill Reynolds, Aart de Vos, Jack Hertwig, Don Scott, Dean Gump



Passing of the gavel  
Mike Heacock to Bob Ford



Bob Ford, Northern California, Pres.  
Mike Mc Craw, Central, Secretary  
Bill Baker, So. California, Vice-Pres.  
Bill Kilben, Hi-Low, Treasurer