

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



BOB FORD

Members of professional organizations are often granted complimentary privileges within the scope of their occupation. Such is the case with golf pros, club managers, and golf course superintendents. It has been the practice, at each club's discretion, to give complimentary playing privileges to these three professional groups at other courses. It would behoove each and every one of us, not to abuse this "privilege".

Within the structure of the GCSA of Northern California, a card is presented to each member which identifies his classification and affiliation with this organization. At the present time, this card only has one restriction to its use. "Call the host Superintendent in advance to inform him of your intention to play his golf course." This courtesy is three-fold: it shows professional courtesy, you would be informed of possible tournaments and tee time conflicts, and you should be insured of a complimentary round of golf because; as was mentioned before, it is at the discretion of each club whether you can play and/or pay. The membership card that we possess should not and does not give the carrier "carte blanche" privileges at other golf clubs without going through the proper channels.

Please use this card with the best interest of our association in mind. It would be a real discourtesy to everyone involved to have this privilege revoked.

## meetings

- OCTOBER 14 Mt. St. Helena, Calistoga
- NOVEMBER 10 Stanford GC, Palo Alto
- DECEMBER 2 Rancho Canada Golf Course, Carmel (Christmas Party)
- JANUARY 13 Green Valley CC, Suisun

ATTENTION BOARD MEMBERS! September 14 meeting with NCGA at UC Davis.

# Board Briefs

**NEW TODAY:** 30 day waiting period!

Joseph Morin, Kar Products Inc., Concord, Class F  
James Smith, Sea Ranch GL, Sea Ranch, Class D

**TAKE IN TODAY:**

William Andrade, Sunol Valley GC, Sunol, Class D  
David Davies, Saratoga CC, Saratoga, Class D  
Alan R. Reiss, Class D

**TRANSFER PENDING EXAM:**

Richard Hansen, Oakmont GC, Santa Rosa Class D to B  
James E. Pryor, Sequoia Wood CC, Arnold, Class D to B  
Kurt L. Krizek, Sunnyvale GC, Sunnyvale, Class D to B  
Joseph Coco, Valley Gardens GC, Scotts Valley, Class D  
Robert Cox, Vallejo GC, Vallejo, Class D to B  
Randy Furtado, Burlingame CC, Hillsborough, Class B to A

**RETIRED CLASS A LIFE:**

Paul Paulson, San Francisco GC, San Francisco

January meeting in Suisun on the 13th not the 14th.

Mike Clark stated approximately \$200 was made at Supt/Pro Tourn.

Intern Program will remain on hold till the NCGA golf course is built.

New dues bills will have form on back of bill to update our state and local rosters - be sure to complete

Dues for 1984 will remain the same.

CONGRATULATIONS RANDY AND SUSAN GAI---Married July 23, 1983

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# Naumann's Norcal News - by Don Naumann

Duncan Campbell Turner was recently named Superintendent at DeLaveaga Golf Course, a course owned by the City of Santa Cruz. Campbell is a past recipient of the GCSAA Student Scholarship, while attending Cal Poly Pomona. This is his first Superintendent job.

Dean Gump at Pasatiempo Golf Course in Santa Cruz has been a busy fellow. Last year he completed building, a new driving range, practice tee, chipping green, and lesson area. Recently he finished rebuilding three new tees on the course.

Summertime seems to be the time for paving. Golf courses throughout No. Calif. must have been in desperate need of asphalt. Among those courses either redoing cart paths or shop areas include Monterey Peninsula CC, San Jose CC, Pasatiempo, Green Valley CC, Santa Teresa, The Villages, and Palo Alto Muni.

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## Seed update - by Don Naumann

Most cool season grass seed used on golf courses is grown in the Willamette Valley of Oregon. Like other agricultural crops, the hope of a good crop is determined by mother nature.

Going into this summer harvest the crop looked excellent, promising farmers another banner year. However, this year is going to be a very frustrating one.

In the Willamette Valley most grass is dry farmed so no supplemental irrigation is required. When the plant has seeded out, it is normally swathed (cut) and layed to dry in the fields for 7 to 10 days. By that time the stalk is sufficiently dry enough to be ground up by a combine

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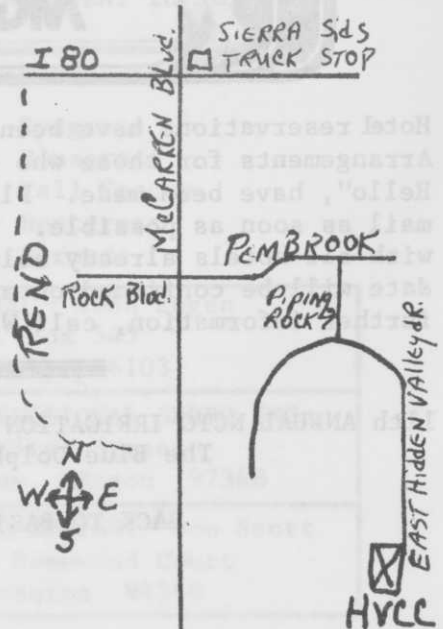
HOST SUPERINTENDENT

Jim was born in Wisconsin and migrated to the East Coast where he graduated from Penn State University in February of 1978. Before coming to Hidden Valley Country Club as the Assistant Superintendent in February of 1980, Jim was the Superintendent at Carson Valley Country Club in Gardnerville, Nevada. Jim was appointed Superintendent in June 1982.

Hidden Valley Country Club is 7,058 yards the championship blue tees and 6,704 yards from the white tees. The course opened for play in 1958 as the only private course in Northern Nevada. There are only two private courses in the State of Nevada. The greens are Seaside Bent grass, with Blue-Fescue fairways and Alta-Fescue in the rough.



GUEST SPEAKER: Mr. Glenn Neely  
(Senior Vice-President Gaming Operations)  
His topic will be "GAMBLING", so be sure to bring your wives to the lunch and meeting following golf. It should prove an interesting topic after a profitable weekend.



HOSPITALITY ROOM (SUNDAY)

Opens 12:00 Noon til  
Show Begins - Hosted Bar

S H O W

"HELLO HOLLYWOOD, HELLO"

Dinner Show

Prime Rib - \$34.06  
Steak - 36.04  
Capon - 30.79

Late Show

Three Drinks - \$24.24

Price includes Tax, Tip



**MGM GRAND HOTEL**  **RENO**

Hotel reservations have been confirmed at the MGM Grand Hotel in Reno. Arrangements for those who desire to see the show, "Hello Hollywood, Hello", have been made. Please complete the reservation request and mail as soon as possible. The Reno air show is the following weekend with all hotels already sold out, so requests received after the cut off date will be confirmed on a space available basis only. If you desire further information, call Walt Bray, Chairman, at 916-424-5067.

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11th ANNUAL NCTC IRRIGATION SEMINAR - Tuesday, October 11, 1983.

The Blue Dolphin, Foot of Marina Blvd., San Leandro

BACK TO BASICS - THE PRACTICAL APPROACH

and the seed can then be removed. This year after swathing there was almost 6 straight weeks of rain. As a result the earlier varieties began to rot and in some cases sprouted in the fields. The types of grasses affected are mostly the ryegrasses and fescues (both fine leafed and turf-type tall varieties.)

The prices on these types are sure to rise after last years excess inventory is depleted. It is an estimated \$75 million loss for the seed industry in Oregon. Later seeding grasses like bentgrass, bluegrass, and Elka ryegrass as of now have not been affected.

If you anticipate a large need for seed next spring or early summer, it would be wise to secure a source as soon as possible. That way you can insure both price and availability.

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CONGRATULATIONS: David A. Sexton, Meadow Club, Fairfax, became a CERTIFIED GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT in July.

Can you match the common name?

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|------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Agrostis            | a. Ryegrass    |
| 2. Lolium              | b. Bluegrass   |
| 3. Poa pratensis       | c. Tall Fescue |
| 4. Cynodon dactylon    | d. Bentgrass   |
| 5. Festuca arundinacea | e. Bermuda     |

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