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SURVEY RESPONSES PART 11

As part of the recent survey distributed to the members, two questions were included: What is your most difficult maintenance problem? and What do you expect from GCSANC? Following are the responses to these questions.

In the public golf course sector, Irrigation problems are the number one problem with heavy play coming in a close second. Green and Tee maintenance due to old construction techniques and/or heavy soils, along with compaction, is also of major concern. Other problem areas included various diseases, equipment repair, and drainage. Hiring

and maintaining a dependable staff seems to be an issue many have in public golf maintenance.

On the Municipal side, Irrigation is also the major problem. Heavy play along with related compaction and drainage problems, traffic control, and the always present issue of not enough staff to do the job were repeated time and again on the surveys. Keeping old equipment running, and funds to purchase new equipment seem to be prevalent in this sector.

At the Privates responding to the survey, Golfers and Golf Carts, along with maintaining greens and green speed are priority problems. Again, Irrigation, finding and keeping (continued page 4)