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OUR OBJECTIVE: The collection, preservation and practical knowledge and to promote the efficient and economical maintenance of Golf Courses.

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Our Host And His Course

Our host superintendent, **Rick Hansen**, was born and raised in Spokane Washington where he graduated from Whitworth College. He moved to Los Angeles where he worked on the grounds crew at Dodger Stadium for 3 years. He started golf course work as Assistant Supt. at Oakmont Country Club in Glendale, CA in 11977. He moved to Northern California in 11980 to work as the Assistant Supt. under Mike Clark at Oakmont in Santa Rosa. After stops at Fountaingrove CC as the Assistant, and Merced CC as the Superintendent, Rick came back to Santa Rosa as the Supt. at Mountain Shadows. He moved over to Windsor GC in Oct. 1988-one year prior to opening.

Windsor Golf Course opened for play in Oct. 1989. It was designed by the Ron Fream Design Group with Fred Bliss, principle architect. The golf course is on land leased from the Windsor Water District and is irrigated with reclaimed water. It is a par 72 course with 4 sets of tees, the longest of which measures 6,700 yards. We are proud to be hosting a Ben Hogan Tour Event in Oct. 1990.

Summer Internships/Jobs

PURPOSE: To provide work experience opportunities in turfgrass management; golf course development and maintenance to U. C. Davis students. College students with academic and /or career interests in golf course management will be seeking work experience opportunities for this summer-1990.

PROCEDURE: If you are interested in providing a Summer position, please submit position description by April 13, 1990,, to (indicate pay rate):

Cliff Rourke
Riverside Golf Course
P.O. Box 13128
Coyote, CA 95013
(408) 463-0558

COMPENSATION: Students will be placed on your regular payroll.

ACADEMIC CREDIT: Students may, depending on the educational opportunities of the work experience provided, persue academic credit for their experience.

ADDITIONAL INFO: Students will be available from June 23 to September 21. Last years compensation rates ranged from \$5.75 to \$7.00 per hour. This is entirely up to the employer. This is the fourth year that the Superintendent's Association has offered summer employment/internships to students at U. C. Davis with each year increasing in popularity by the college. So if you can, show your support in return.

Membership For March

Government Relations

New Applications-30 day wait

Class D

W. Maeder, Petaluma G&CC
D. Ballard, Bennett Valley GC

Class F

Andrew Wheeler, Water Utilities Services, Inc.
Mark Razum, Oakland Athletics Baseball Co.

30 DAY WAIT UP TODAY

CLASS D

Jim Ballard, Bennett Valley GC
Mike Gamble, Spring Hills GC
Clayton Hughes, Del Monte GC
Al Nunez, Canyon Lakes CC
Charles Schultz, Carmel Valley G & CC
Kim Trainor, Del Monte GC

CLASS F

Tammy Kovar, Monsanto Agricultural Co.

PASSED CLASS A EXAM

Clark "Mike" Glasson

To Upgrade Without Testing

In order to meet our primary goal of support by Class A and B members, we the Board of Director's are submitting the following incentive to the membership.

1. **For a one year period only**, if a member wishes to upgrade to a Class A or B, the person must attend 6 meetings in this 12 month period and will not have to test to be upgraded to a Class A or B, if requirements according to the bylaws are met. **GET YOUR APPLICATION IN TO THE BOARD IF YOU PLAN TO UPGRADE AND YOU'LL QUALIFY FOR ATTENDANCE FROM DATE OF APPLICATION FOR A ONE YEAR PERIOD ONCE APPLICATION IS RECEIVED.**

2. If a member attends five meetings and cannot make the sixth, they choose to test at that time.

3. People can still test if they choose for class upgrades.

4. The Supt./Pro and Christmas Party are excluded as qualifying meetings. The GCSANC Seminar and GCSAA Seminar count as meetings.

If you have any questions, please contact a Board member.

Thanks Ray

Many thanks to **Ray Story**, and the staff at Green Valley CC for the fine accommodations and food for the February meeting. The presentation on Cart path installation was very informative.

Congress Passes Wetlands Conservation Act

Legislation aimed at preserving North American Wetlands and waterfowl populations is awaiting President Bush's signature after Congress passed it at the end of the session. The North American Wetlands Conservation Act would establish an international council to carry out the provisions of the bill, including protection of 5.6 million acres of wetlands in the U.S. and Canada. The act provides more than \$10 million annually for acquisition, restoration, and enhancement of wetlands. GCSAA plans to share with the council details of wetlands preservation activities at various golf courses.

EPA Issues New Groundwater Guidelines

The Environmental Protection Agency's long-awaited guidelines on a new classification of groundwater restricted-use pesticides should be issued in January, according to agency staffers. The criteria, designed to protect current and potential drinking water sources, will be based on the pesticide's physical and chemical properties that determine its likelihood to leach into groundwater and actual detection of the pesticide in groundwater. The proposed rule would classify targeted pesticides as "restricted use" and limit use to applicators who have completed a special training program to be developed by EPA. The agency's release of the proposal will step up on-going efforts to protect groundwater supplies. As always, superintendents must continue management practices that protect this vital resource.

Endangered Species Program Progressing

EPA's Endangered Species Program continues to shoot for an implementation date of January 1991. Copies of the newly revised and updated "List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants" are available from the Publication's Unit, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington DC 20240. Proposed regulations commented upon by GCSAA and a host of state chapters call for implementing the program through pesticide labeling, using a generic statement on certain products. Those labels will require users to consult county-issued bulletins that outline use limitations.

District Court Upholds Prop. 65

The ability of individual states to regulate different facets of pesticides and fertilizers received a big boost in a precedent-setting California case. Proposition 65, passed by California voters in November 1986, exceeds requirements found in FIFRA, the federal law governing the registration, application, and use of pesticides. The suit filed in U. S. District Court asked the judge to overturn Proposition 65, arguing that FIFRA "pre-empted" the state law. The court rules, however, that "the requirements of the state of California [did not] infringe on federal supremacy in the area of pesticide labeling." Look for states to become even more active in their regulations of practices on golf courses.

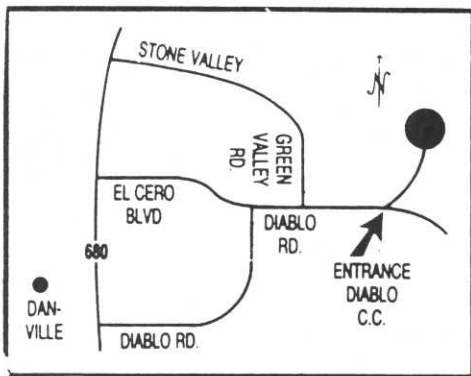
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Levels Of Truth

NCGA/USGA GREEN SECTION REGIONAL CONFERENCE

TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 1990

Diablo Country Club
#1 Clubhouse Rd.
Diablo, CA 94528
(415) 837-4221



This conference is intended for club directors, green chairmen, course owners, and professional staff (superintendents, golf professionals and managers), as well as interested golfers.

Jackets are requested.

Registration Fee (including luncheon)

• \$35.00

Questions should be referred to:

Larry Gilhuly
Western Director
USGA Green Section
(714) 544-4411

Anne Trivitte
Conference Coordinator
NCGA Office
(408) 625-4653

Every time I tell the truth, I get into trouble. If I tell everyone what I'm thinking, they will walk all over me. I might hurt someone's feelings if I told the complete truth. If I really told my boss the truth, I would be fired.

In *The Truth Option*, Will Schutz states that what we think is a problem caused by telling the truth is usually caused by not telling the truth and if we get to the deeper levels of truth, we are communicating with others in such a way as to promote trust and friendship even though the content of the communication may be disturbing.

The levels according to Schultz are:

Level - 1 (Self Deception): At this level I am withholding my feelings and thoughts from both you and myself. This is the unconscious stage.

Level 0 - (Withholding): Important thoughts and feelings are not expressed for fear of retribution, being wrong, etc.

Level 1 - (You are...): Opinions are expressed. This is the critic stage--"You are bad...you are good." The critic is set apart and is judging the performance or worth of the other. This communication may be honest, but it is not open to feelings and deeper truth. The focus is only on you. "You aren't nice."

Level 2 - (About you I feel...): The first level where there is an awareness of both parties. The focus is switched to how I feel about you. "I don't like you."

Level 3 - (Because...): At this level I realize what actions or behaviors are the basis of the feelings expressed at level 2. "I don't like you because you don't ever talk to me."

Level 4 - (From you I sense...): We now recognize what we are sensing from others. "I don't like you because you don't ever talk to me and I'm afraid you think I'm insignificant."

Level 5 - (I fear I am...): I recognize my fears about myself. "I am afraid I am insignificant."

Once we have enough awareness to recognize our fear of being insignificant (or any other fear) we may not even have to mention our negative feelings as we realize they have more to do with ourselves than with the other person.

Irrigation Management

Water Resources for Irrigation Systems

*"All the rivers run into the sea:
yet the sea is not full"
- Old Testament*

Water for the typical golf course irrigation system comes from one or more of these three sources: Underground wells, lakes and reservoirs, or domestic water companies. Each of these sources has advantages and disadvantages when used for irrigation. Well water and lake water are usually less expensive sources of water when compared to typical water rates from domestic sources. Unfortunately you can never really be sure how long a well is going to provide the amount of water required by your course- and what will you do if the well runs dry?! Similarly, lake storage levels are often dependent on the availability of well water, run off, and/or domestic water to keep up with the demand of your course's irrigation system.

Until recently,, many of us considered domestic water to be the safest possible source because we felt it would always be available. Now we know the real truth - when it comes down to crunch time, domestic irrigation sources fall into one of two categories-expensive or expendible. Domestic water is usually more expensive to purchase than well or lake water and will always be subject to local regulations regarding backflow protection and metering.

On the other foot, domestic water will always be cleaner than lake water and will not include high concentrations of harsh elements that may be found in some well water sources. Domestic sources are also provided to you under pressure and, if your local regulations allow a direct connection to your irrigation system, you may be able to use this "free pressure" to your advantage when determining the size and power requirements of your booster pump station.

Optimally, a golf course irrigation system would incorporate more than one source of water and therefore "not put all eggs in one basket". An example of this scenario is a course that has an adequate well and pump that feeds into the irrigation system as well as any available storage lakes on the course, and has a secondary source from the local domestic water company to pick up any slack that might occur if the well water supply is reduced or contaminated.

Nest month: Sources of pressure for irrigation systems

Annual Awards Committee

The GCSANC Awards Committee would like your nominations for the following categories: Superintendent of the Year; Excellence in Golf Turf Management; Class F Merit Award; Distinguished Service Award. Submit your nominations to Rod Kilcoyne, Diablo Creek GC, as soon as possible.

A Look Ahead 1990

March 19	Windsor GC
March 20	NCGA/USGA Green Section Regional Conference
April 10	GCSANC ANNUAL MEETING-DEL MONTE GC
May 7	Sequoia CC
May 20-21	GCSA of CA State Meeting
June 8	De Laveaga GC
July 23	Supt./Pro Annual Tournament-Palo Alto Hills CC
August	OPEN
Sept. 7	Mira Vista CC

Green Valley Golf Results

GROSS

Armando Claudio	74
Mike Glasson	77
Raj Mal	78
Bill Abel	78

NET

Wayne Lindelof	67
Jim Ross	68
Ray Story	70
Bob Healy	71
George Bell	71
Randy Gai	71
Matt Hart	71

***Randy Gai Scored
A Hole-In-One!
Congrats Randy!***

Naumann's NORCAL News

Silver Creek GC in San Jose will begin construction on March first...**Charlie Johnson** is the new Supt. at Blackhawk...Congratulations to **Randy Gai**, who made a hole in one at Green Valley. See you in Orlando!