



Network Associates Coliseum Hosts The GCSANC

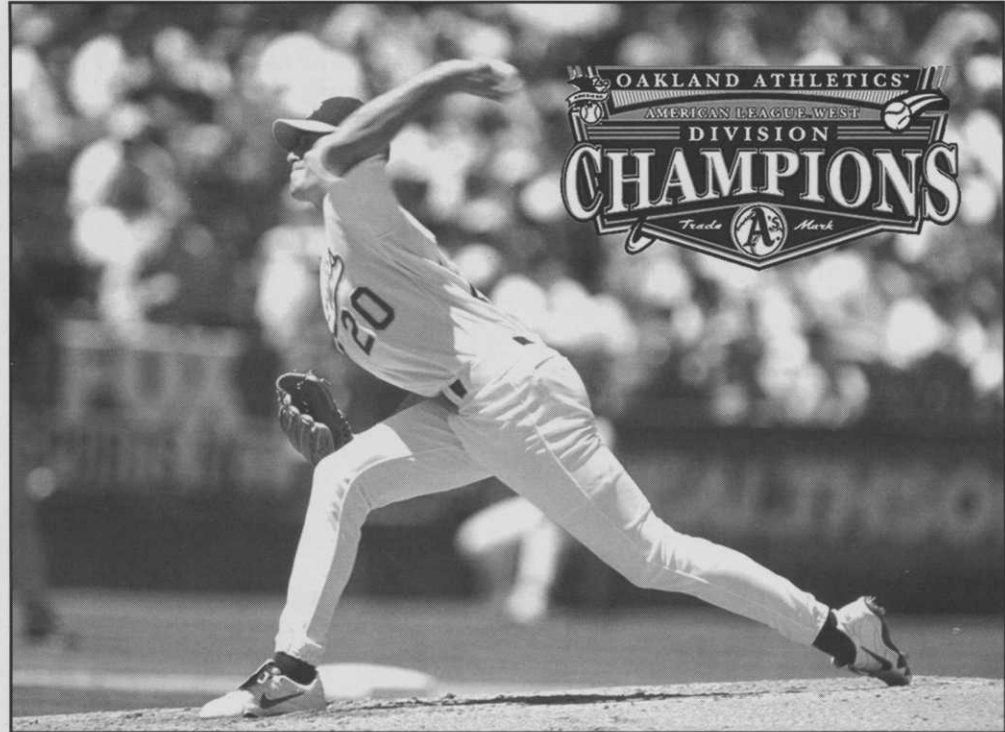
The essence of the original Alameda County Coliseum wooed the Kansas City A's franchise to Oakland and the first Oakland A's game was played on April 17, 1968 vs. the Baltimore Orioles.

Constructed in 1966 at a cost of \$25.5 million and resting on 120 acres, the Network Associates Coliseum is a multiuse sports complex home for the Oakland Athletics Baseball Company and Oakland's NFL franchise.

A coliseum renovation project began in November 1995 and proceeded through the 1996 baseball season. The A's played their first few home games of the 1996 season in Las Vegas while work crews installed new seats in the Coliseum.

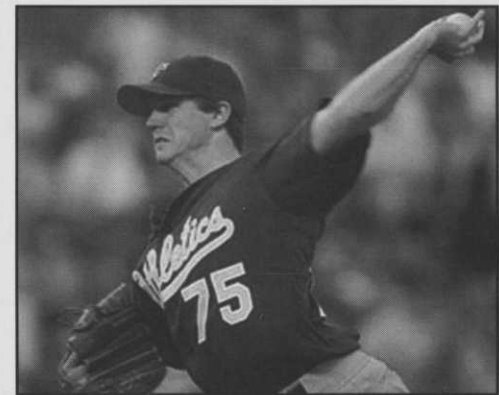
The project removed the outfield bleachers but added two 40,000-square-foot clubs, 22,000 seats, 125 luxury suites, a 9000-square-foot kitchen, two new color video boards and two-matrix scoreboard. Since the renovation, more than 91 million people have passed through the turnstiles. The crowd-pleaser know as "The Wave" made its first known appearance in baseball on October 15, 1981.

Stadium seating capacity is now more than 50,000 and The Net has been home to some of the biggest names in baseball. Jim "Catfish" Hunter pitched the first perfect game here; Reggie Jackson and Rollie Fingers were A's teammates in the early 1970s; and Rickey Henderson broke Lou Brock's stolen base record in 1991.



#20, Mark Mulder of the Oakland A's is a left handed power-house that has contributed to the on going winning streak.

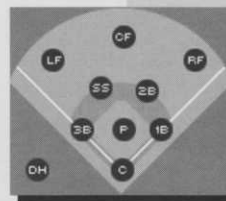
Dick Williams, Alvin Dark, Chuck Tanner, Billy Martin, and Tony La Russa were all managers in Oakland. In the late-1980s the Coliseum became home to another group of Oakland stars: Rookie of the Year winners Jose Canseco, Mark McGwire, and Walt Weiss. This trio helped produce three consecutive American League titles beginning in 1988 and a World Series title won in the Bay Bridge series sweep against the San Francisco Giants in 1989.



#75, Barry Zito's contorted fast-ball action!



Network Associates Coliseum is the place to be if you're lucky enough to get a ticket!



2002 ROSTER LINE UP

- CATCHER** Ramon Iternandez & Greg Myers
- PITCHER** Micah Brown, Chad Bradford, Mike Frve, Tim Hudson, Billy Koch, Cory Lidle, Jim Mecir, Mark Mecir, Mark Mulder, Ricardo Rincon, Jeff Tamm & Barry Zito
- 1st BASE** Scott Hatteberg
- 2nd BASE** Ray Durham & Randy Velarde
- 3rd BASE** Eric Chavez
- SHORT SP.** Mark Ellis & Miguel Tejada
- RIGHT FD.** Eric Byrnes, Jermaine Dye & Adam Piatt
- CENTER FD.** Terrence Long
- LEFT FD.** Dave Justice & John Mabry
- DH** Olmedo Saenz



Presidents Message

By Jeff Shafer

Priorities

We are in the middle of the dog days of summer and I hope everyone is surviving, both professionally and personally. Please take the time to "get away" and spend quality time with those that mean the most to you. The stress of this profession can get to the best of us so please take whatever break you can to get away from it all.

Another way to get away is to be part of our "Take Us Out To The Ball Game" day on September 19th. Barring a baseball strike, we have a great day planned as the Oakland A's host the Anaheim Angels. Clay Wood, Head Groundskeeper, again has assisted us in keeping the cost down to a respectable \$16.00 per person. Great price for a BBQ lunch and great seats to the ball game. If anyone has not taken the opportunity to reward your staff, consider this cost-effective outing. I recently hosted our annual golf maintenance summer basketball gathering and I barely kept costs below this amount. We plan on utilizing our



Jeff Shafer
The Course At Wente Vineyards

Employee Relations line item in the budget to afford this function, which still allows us to attend other association functions.

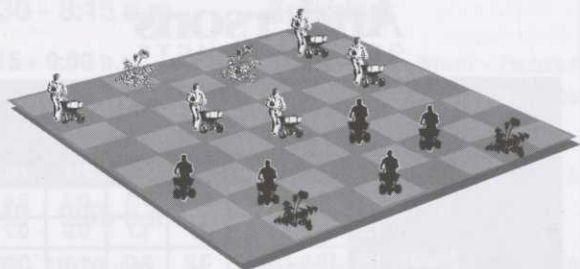
I would also like to thank those that attended and supported the Scholarship Tournament at Lake Merced. Lou Tonelli and staff delivered a first class presentation of their facility. Andy Slack and Gary Ingram, among others, continued to work hard throughout the event to make sure every detail was handled.

And you ask where I was? I asked my 12-year-old son if he could go anywhere this summer he wanted what would it be? He said Yankee Stadium so off we went, with a little Washington D.C included. What great father/son time we had! I will never forget it. It was probably the last time he will want to be seen with me until he is 18! Thanks to my dedicated Assistants Mike Souza and Tim Roche, along with my Service Manager John Cunningham, who all survived at the course.

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By Barb Mikel

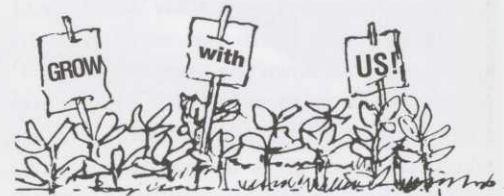
The Bert Graves Memorial Scholarship Research Tournament is history, good history, as usual. The "Affiliate Affair" continues to be a GREAT fundraiser for Scholarship, Research and Education. Andy Slack deserves a slap on the back for the entire affair! Personal thanks also go out to Man-Yin Tang, Trish Hill, Gary Ingram, Bob Whittaker, and Jeff Burns for all your help. We did manage to have a record raffle donation thanks to Man-Yin, Gary and all the IES "ticket tearing." The day was sunny, no wind (until the late afternoon) and not (I am told) at all typical for Daily City during August. Heard there were some tired players by the end of the day but not too many thirsty ones!



Barb Mikel - GCSANC
Executive Secretary

Congratulations to Gary K. Carls, CGCS on his recent nomination for GCSAA director. Gary has the talent and background to serve national membership in the same way he served local and state chapters. I also hear Clifford Wagoner is looking for a new hip. Clifford had bypass surgery last year and I bet he's trying to get back on the ski slopes in North Lake Tahoe. Myrtle must be a good nurse.

*I'll be taking Labor Day week off.
The office will reopen September 10th.*



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Of Northern California

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Joseph Bernat	Olympic Club	Class C
Daniel Gutierrez	Cordevalle Golf Club	Class C
William Hamilton	Silverado C.C.	Class A
Rick Jakobs	Peninsula Golf & C.C.	Class C
Jimmy Wheaton	Southern Links	Affiliate

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	225	16.2	8.3	5.0	3.0	1.6	1.2
	250	18.0	9.2	5.3	3.3	1.8	1.3

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Sunday, October 20, 2002

- 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Registration**
- 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Dinner**
- 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Sand, Soils, and Everything Else in Between – A Short Session in Soil Physics**
Chuck Dixon, Agronomist, Jeffrey L. Bruce & Co. LLC

Monday, October 21, 2002

- 7:30 - 8:15 a.m. Breakfast**
- 8:15 - 10:15 a.m. Deciphering the Water Alphabet – EC, SAR, TDS, etc.**
Mike Huck, Full Coverage Irrigation INC.
- 10:15 - 10:30 a.m. Break**
- 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon Soil and Water Management – Old Science, New Technology**
Chuck Dixon, Agronomist, Jeffrey L. Bruce & Co. LLC
- Noon - 12:45 p.m. Lunch**
- 12:45 - 2:00 p.m. Are Your Hazards Marked Correctly? -- A Rules and Course Marking Refresher**
Gail Rogers, Director of Education, Northern California Golf Association
- 2:00 - 2:45 p.m. Smart Turf – Computer Model Predictions for Turf Management Decisions**
Dr. Randy Kane, Director of Turfgrass Programs, Chicago District Golf Assoc.
- 2:45 - 3:00 p.m. Break**
- 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. Not So Slippery Slopes -- Avoiding Common Mistakes When Performing Drainage Projects**
Steve Fackler, CGCS, The Ridge
- 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. What You See is Not What You Get – INS Laws and Regulations Update**
Leslie Bussinger, Recruitment Coordinator, Pebble Beach Company
- 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Dinner**
- 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Stand Up and Deliver – Public Speaking Strategies and Tips**
Francine Hilaire, Executive Director – Professionally Speaking, Toastmaster

Tuesday, October 22, 2002

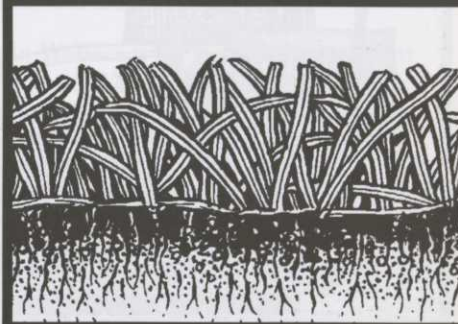
- 7:30 - 8:15 a.m. Breakfast**
- 8:15 - 9:00 a.m. You Did What? – When? – Factors Affecting Course Rating and Slope**
Jim Cowan, Director of Handicapping & Course Rating, North. Cal. Golf Assoc.
- 9:00 - 9:40 a.m. Easy and Practical Product Trials on the Golf Course**
Mark Mahady, President, Mahady & Associates, INC.
- 9:40 - 9:55 a.m. Break**
- 9:55 - 10:30 a.m. Pesticide Jeopardy – Testing Your Pesticide Safety Knowledge**
Richard Ordonez, Ag Biologist, Monterey County Ag Commissioner Office
- 10:30 - 11:45 a.m. Super Duper -- Nuggets of Wisdom with Roundtable Discussion**
Tom Huesgen, Superintendent, Pebble Beach Golf Links
Forrest Arthur, Director of Maintenance Operations, The Preserve Golf Club
Pat Finlen, Superintendent, The Olympic Club
Jeff Markow, Superintendent, Cypress Point Club
- 12:00 Noon Evaluation**
Adjourn Box Lunch



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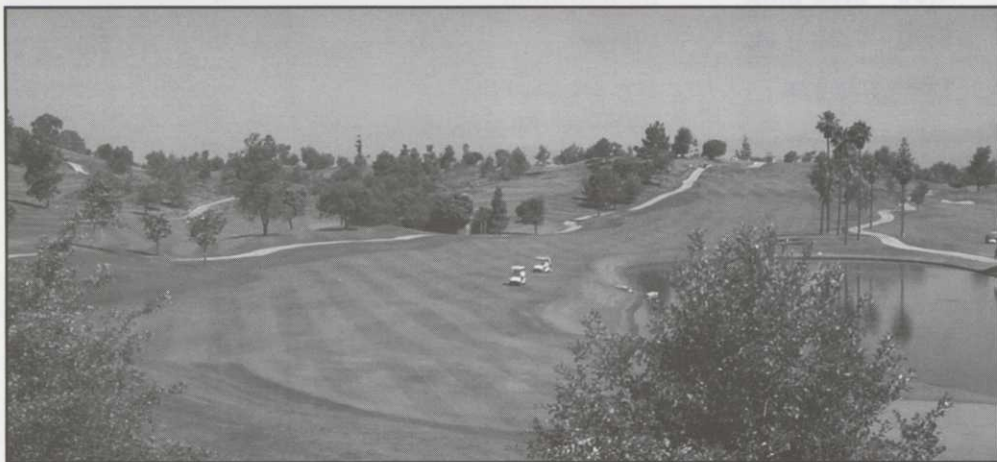
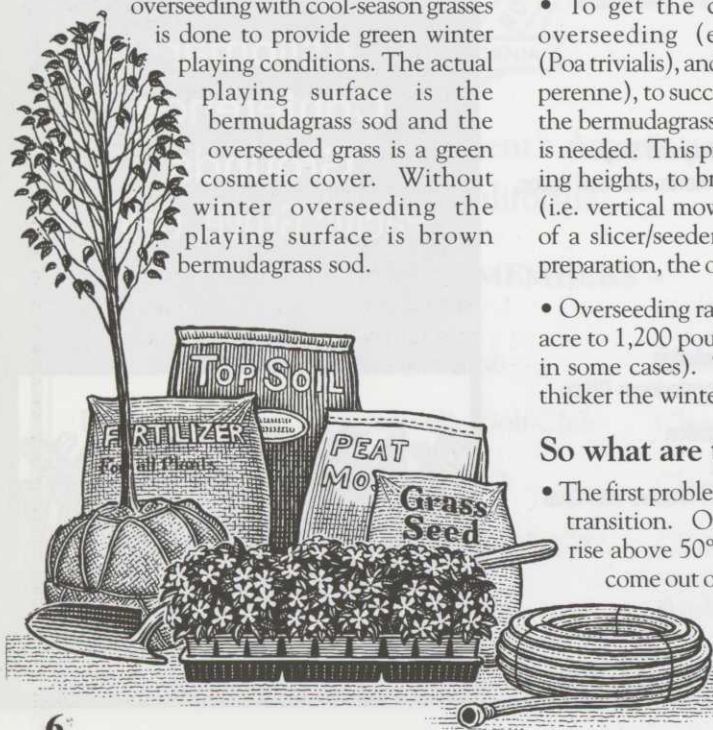
OVERSEEDING... *Boon or Curse?*

by David L. Wienecke

USGA Green Section Agronomist

Living in the Southwest, we are blessed with warm conditions for much of the year. Unfortunately, no one grass species is able to provide ideal green playing conditions year round since cooler winter weather follows the hot summers. Cool-season grasses, such as perennial ryegrass, roughstalk bluegrass, and creeping bentgrass, grow best at temperatures between 60° to 85° F while warm-season grasses, such as bermudagrass, are best adapted to temperatures exceeding 85° to 90° F. Warm-season and cool-season grasses are named based on their ideal physiological and adaptive mechanisms for different climates. As an example, warm-season grasses are green and healthy in conditions above 85°F yet they turn yellow and then brown due to winter induced dormancy response when rootzone soil temperatures drop below 50°F. The dormancy response is a survival mechanism. Cool-season grasses have good cold tolerance yet are increasingly stressed as temperatures rise. Few topics provoke more controversy at golf courses throughout our region than overseeding for winter play. Let's take a look at the good and the bad concerning winter overseeding. First look at what winter overseeding actually is.

• Due to the dormancy response of warm season grasses to cooler winter temperatures, overseeding with cool-season grasses is done to provide green winter playing conditions. The actual playing surface is the bermudagrass sod and the overseeded grass is a green cosmetic cover. Without winter overseeding the playing surface is brown bermudagrass sod.



Overseeded cool-season grasses result in great mow patterns with deep green color.

- Bermudagrass goes dormant to protect itself from cool temperatures that are below its physiological metabolic requirements. Dormant bermudagrass is not dead but in a sleep-like state waiting for the increased light and warmth of summer to bring it out of the hibernation-like dormancy state. (Cool-season grasses will also go dormant but only following weeks of freezing temperatures since cool-season grasses are more cold tolerant).

Next, let's look at the procedures needed for winter overseeding.

- To get the cool-season grass used for overseeding (e.g. Roughstalk bluegrass (*Poa trivialis*), and/or perennial ryegrass (*Lolium perenne*)), to successfully germinate and grow in the bermudagrass sod, some kind of cultivation is needed. This process ranges from lower mowing heights, to brush sweeping, to dethatching (i.e. vertical mowing), to core aeration, to use of a slicer/seeder. Following the cultivation preparation, the overseeded grass seed is applied.
- Overseeding rates range from 250 pounds per acre to 1,200 pounds per acre (and even higher in some cases). The higher the seed rate, the thicker the winter grass cover.

So what are the problems?

- The first problem occurs during what is termed transition. Ordinarily, as soil temperatures rise above 50° F the bermudagrass begins to come out of dormancy. Theoretically, the warmer temperatures rise, the more stressed the cool-season grass is while the bermudagrass keeps getting stronger.

What are the solutions?

- One option is to play on dormant bermudagrass in winter (i.e. do not overseed). This provides the best transition in spring and summer while the same (albeit brown) playing conditions in winter.
- A compromise would be to overseed putting green surrounds, approaches, and tees only. This option is much cheaper and does not require weeks of golf course closure.
- Eliminating cart traffic in the wintertime or a strictly enforced 90-degree rule will dramatically reduce bermudagrass wear and soil compaction problems.
- If a golf club insists on winter overseeding, it may be necessary to stop overseeding for several years when bare bermudagrass areas occur to rebuild the bermudagrass sod by resodding or hydroseeding.
- Golf courses in the Southeastern United States have found excellent results with a high-pressure air overseeder. This machine has the advantage of not needing seedbed cultivation and injects the seed to the correct depth without sod damage. Experiments with this new machine are scheduled for this fall at Vista Valley Country Club and we will watch these results carefully. It should be pointed out that Vista Valley Country Club has just finished two consecutive years of not overseeding to restore the bermudagrass sod.

CONGRATS... *To The Lake Merced Scholarship Event Recipients!*



PJ Spellman congratulates Steven Crane and Ken Converse on receiving GCSANC Scholarships.

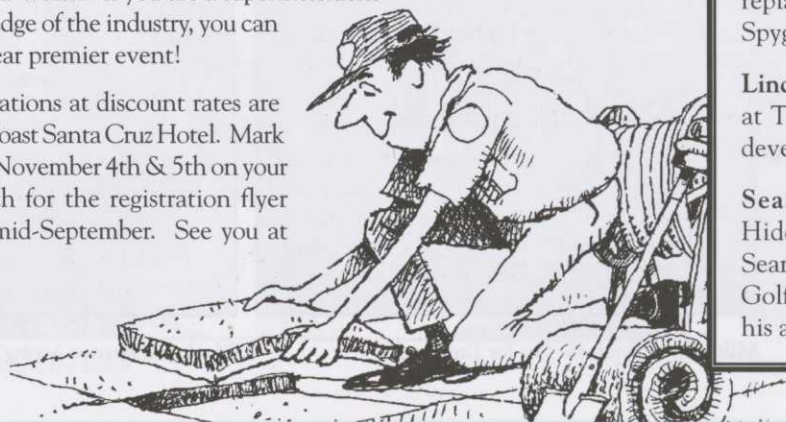
The Institute Returns

That's right fellow NorCal Members! November is the month for that fast paced, action-packed, fun-filled, educational extravaganza we call the Golf Course Superintendent Institute. This annual event, sponsored this year by DBD Structures, is developed in conjunction with the UC Extension Service. It will be held at the world famous Cocoanut Grove Conference Center in Santa Cruz. Ah yes! The Cocoanut Grove! Palm trees, the waves crashing upon the shore, I can almost taste the cocoanuts now...

Are you plagued by pests on your putting surfaces? Then you don't want to miss this year's Institute, beginning Monday November 4th, with the educational session, trade show and reception. The educational program will feature a series of practical discussions on maintenance practices focusing on pest control including: the elusive IPM Program – find out what it's really all about from the superintendents that are involved in a formalized IPM program. Also there will be sessions on innovative fertilization techniques and the continuing war against nematodes.

Plus on Tuesday November 5th there will be the annual Institute Golf Tournament to be held at Boulder Creek Golf & Country Club and graciously hosted by Superintendent Bill Keller and Leonard Walsh. If you are a superintendent who is on the cutting edge of the industry, you can not miss this once a year premier event!

Overnight accommodations at discount rates are available at the West Coast Santa Cruz Hotel. Mark Monday and Tuesday, November 4th & 5th on your calendar now! Watch for the registration flyer coming your way in mid-September. See you at the Institute! ↗



Nauman's NorCal News



Steve Carlton is the new Superintendent and Manager at Bass Lake Golf Course in Rescue (near El Dorado Hills). Part of his new responsibilities are to rebuild the golf course, clubhouse and maintenance facility....

Jeff Southerland is the new Superintendent at Carmel Valley Ranch in Carmel. Jeff was the assistant prior to his promotion. He is replacing **Chris Dalhamer** who moved to Spyglass Hill Golf Course.....

Lincoln Wallace is the new Superintendent at The Ranch at Silver Creek. It is a new development in San Jose....

Sean Battistini is the new Super at Hiddenbrooke Country Club in Vallejo. Sean was the Superintendent at Yountville Golf Club. Replacing Sean at Yountville is his assistant **John Krueger**.....



LAKE MERCED GOLF COURSE Tournament and Scholarship Event

GOLF Tournament Scoreboard

1st Low Net: **61**

Andy Slack & Joel Ahern

(Won Card Playoff)

2nd Low Net: **61**

David Prince & Tim Powers

3rd Low Net: **65**

Scott MacVicar & Ross Brownlie

1st Low Gross: **74**

Brian Bird & Dale Engman

2nd Low Gross: **76**

Mitch Frasier and Jeff Arneson

Closest to The Pin:

Hole #3: Dale Engman **11"**

Hole #8: Mitch Frasier **13"**

Hole #12: Clay Wood **5'**

Long Drive:

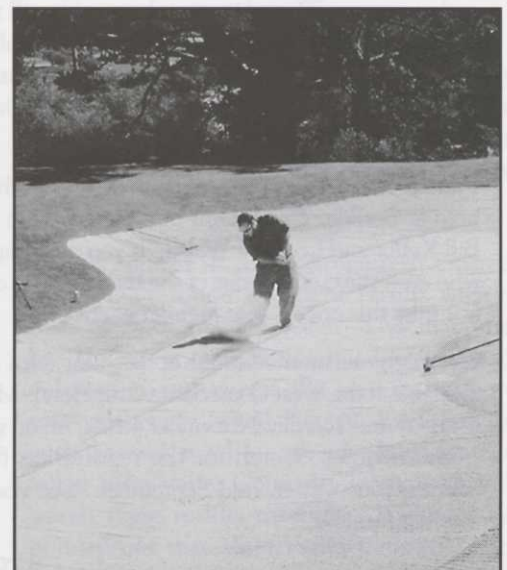
Hole #18: Dale Engman



Greg Fernald and Jeff Markow survey a long putt surrounded by cypress trees of Lake Merced G.C.



Mike Ravel tends the flag for Jim Aude.

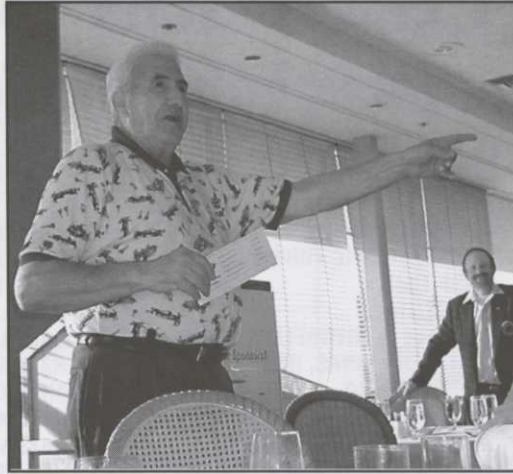


Mark Barrientos having a blast at it!

THRU THE **GREEN**



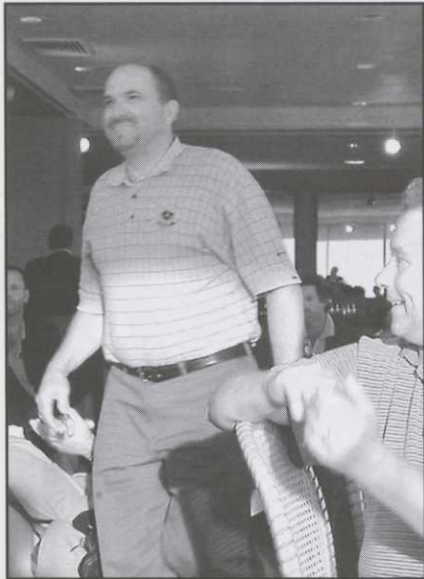
Andy Slack thanks all vendors and starts the Auction.



"Speedy" Lipari a.k.a. 'the Auctioneer' acknowledges a bid from the crowd.



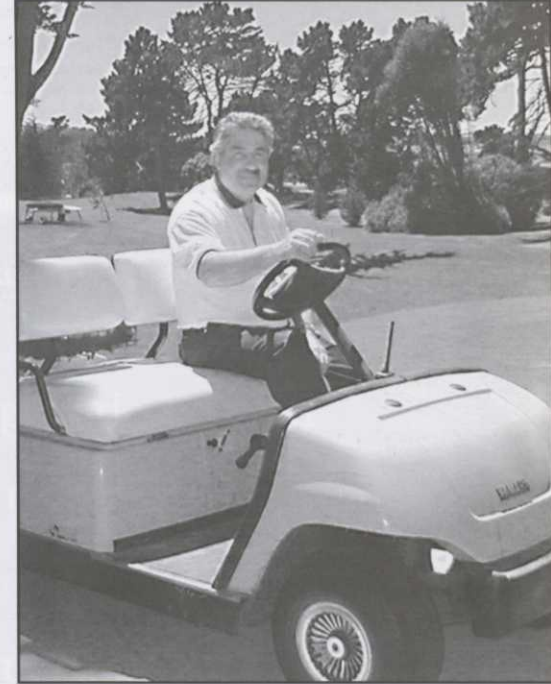
The guys from DBD Structures enjoying the lively auction.



Mitch Frazier accepting his 2nd Low Gross Prize on behalf of his playing partner Jeff Arneson.



Clay Wood is on a winning streak like his A's.



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Rex Gentry goes incog amongst the usual suspects.



Pat O'fee strikes a "Tiger-like" shot!

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