The first of the June regional meetings took place at Maryland National Golf Course. Brian Zickafoose served as tour guide to MAAGCS members who were interested in seeing a course during the different phases of construction. On good authority, golfers will need to be in good shape to walk a round of golf on this course. After the tour those in attendance gathered for dinner at a local restaurant.

On June 13th at the Paint Branch Research Facility, hosted by the BTG, Dr. Mathias showed us the latest in microscopic technology. Dr. Turner led us through fairway and roughgrass trials and Dr. Dernoeden spoke about putting green bentgrass. There was a lot of new and useful information learned by all. A big thank you to the big three Drs. for spending time with us and showing us around such a wonderful new facility. Afterwards, a major barbecue was enjoyed by over seventy people. Steve Potter grilled up his special sauce laden ribs that were fantastic, while Joe Herkalo had a long waiting line for his grilled pork and chicken Caesar salads. If you went away hungry or thirsty, you must have fallen asleep or not eaten your steamed crabs fast enough. There was much laughter and enjoyment on this day.

The Eastern Shore regional meeting was hosted by Tom Tokaski at Queenstown Harbor River House. A deli style lunch was served before a “well deserved” lazy afternoon spent networking with peers down on the river’s edge.

Several MAAGCS members attended an open house at Summit Hall Turf Farm on June 27th. Brian Finger and Frank Wilmont from Summit Hall hosted our group and described the operation of the oldest and one of the largest turf farms in the country. Dr. Mark Selman from Jacklin Seeds was on hand to show some experimental plots of new ryegrasses, bluegrasses, and tall fescues. The group then had a picnic lunch at nearby Bretton Woods Recreation Center followed by an intensely competitive Putt-Putt golf tournament won by Jim Halley.

Many thanks need to go out to the vendors and hosts that made all of our June meetings a huge success.

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