

Midwest Breezes

Vandalism on golf courses is on the move in the Chicago area once again. Ed Stewart, superintendent at River Forest Golf Club, reports vandals almost ruined his new number one green. Another report has it that a golf course on the south side of Chicago had, during the past year, seven hundred flags and poles stolen, and other damage done to the tune of seventeen thousand dollars. Don Gerber, superintendent at Chicago Golf Club, reports that the club has hired a watchman with a trained German shepherd.

There are other golf clubs doing the same thing and others are anticipating the move to obtain the service of a guard with a dog. This, maybe, is the answer, for if a dog takes a sample of meat out of a vandal's leg and the word gets around, it may bear fruit!

Ted Sokolis, superintendent at the Village Links Golf Club, has been notified by the State of Illinois Department of Agriculture that he has passed the examination for a pesticide applicator license, along with assistant Terry Turnquist and Lance Gabnay.

Dennis Straus, superintendent at Rolling Green Country Club, celebrated his fifteenth wedding anniversary.

Tony Meyer, superintendent at Woodridge Golf Club, reports his A20 Blue Grass on tees cut at 7/8 inch height does very well under his heavy play.

The infestations of inch worms is really bad at this date. It appears they must have come in on a jet. Almost overnight, the foliage on certain varieties of trees are entirely gone.

The June 5th meeting was held at the White Pines Golf Club, Bensenville, Illinois. Al Hintz was the host superintendent.

The golf course was in fine condition. The many low scores proved this point. The dinner was excellent under the guiding supervision of Mrs. Ed Stewart. Could be the reason Ed. Looks so healthy!

Low gross prizes went to Harold Michels and Tim Miles, who scored a 74 each. Blind bogey winners were Frank Krueger, Vernon Rascher, Gerald Hanks, Toney Meyer, Clarence Mitchell, Don Hoffman, and Mike Handels.

August meeting will be held at Thorn Gate Country Club on Tuesday, August 22nd. September meeting at Flossmoor Country Club on Monday, September 18. October meeting at Briarwood Country Club on Tuesday, October 10th. November Clinic meeting at Medinah Country Club on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 14th and 15th. More news later on the details of each meeting. See you there!
Midwest Turf Field Day, September 25, 1972.



July meeting will be held at Plum Tree National Golf Club. Charlie Shiley will be host superintendent. Monday, July 10th is the date. Be sure to attend and welcome Charlie, back to the Chicago area.

This is a fairly new club and a very good one, too. Bring your golf clubs and come early enough for a round of golf on a course that you probably have never played.

Plum Tree National Golf Club is located on Rt. 14, between Woodstock and Harvard, Illinois. Check your road map.

Dudley Smith, superintendent Silver Lake Golf Club, extends an invitation to the members of the Midwest Golf Course Superintendents Association to participate in a meeting with the Michiana Golf Course Superintendents on Monday, July 17 1972. Dudley says bring your golf clubs and a good appetite.

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