



Congratulations to Gerry Hough, who is now our area's sales representative for National Seed.

Thank goodness! We now have TWO ways to accurately measure green speed. Recent research conducted at the University of Arkansas, University of Connecticut, Michigan State University and the University of Tennessee has concluded that green speed measurements taken with the Pelzometer are just as reliable as those taken with the Stimpmeter. Included in the findings was an in-depth look into the economics of each instrument—Doug Karcher, PhD at the U of Arkansas concluded that "The Stimpmeter definitely wins out on cost (about \$100 versus \$600 for the Pelzometer), however there is a coolness factor that gadget fanatics will enjoy." Compelling.

How great did Rich Harvest Farms look during last month's Solheim Cup? Anyone doubting that rural Sugar Grove could bring in big crowds for this international ladies event was sadly mistaken—HUGE crowds were on hand for the matches on August 21st through the 23rd (crowds that really screwed up traffic in my neck of the woods lemme tell ya).

Jeff VerCautren and his crew, along with the many MAGCS member volunteers had the course absolutely SHINING, and it did not go unnoticed by the Golf Channel commentators who constantly praised the conditions while even giving their props to Jeff's now-famous dog Bunker. Jeff even grabbed a little air time on Sirius XM Satellite Radio's PGA Tour channel on the 21st on its "Making the Turn With Peter Kessler" feature. Congratulations to Jeff and everyone at Rich Harvest Farms on pulling off a great tournament during a week of

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DATES TO REMEMBER

September 8 – MAGCS monthly meeting and Annual Golf Championship at Kemper Lakes Golf Club in Kildeer, IL, **Dan Tully** host superintendent.

September 10-13 – BMW Championship at the newly-renovated Dubsdread course at Cog Hill Golf & Country Club in Lemont, IL, **Ken Lapp** host superintendent.

September 10-17 – 55th USGA Senior Amateur Championship at Beverly Country Club in Chicago, IL, **Keith Peterson** host superintendent.

September 15 – Class C Shop Talk at the Beverly Country Club maintenance department at 5:00 PM, **Tim Nixon** and **Joe Schneider** host assistants.

September 21 – Annual Wee One Golf Outing at Pine Hills Country Club in Sheboygan, WI, Rod Johnson host superintendent. (www.weeone.org to register)

September 28 – CAGCS Annual Founders Cup Invitational golf event at Ruth Lake Country Club, **Dan Marco, CGCS** host.

September 30-December 11 – Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School's Tow-Year Certificate Program Fall Session in New Brunswick, NJ. Go to www.golfturf.rutgers.edu for more information.

October 5 – MAGCS monthly meeting and Annual College Championship at Arrowhead Golf Club in Wheaton, IL, **Mike Mumper** host superintendent.

October 14 – Annual University of Illinois Turf Alumni Golf Outing at Coyote Run Golf Course in Flossmoor, IL, **Dave Ward** host superintendent.

November 4 – 57th Annual Midwest Turf Clinic at Medinah Country Club, **Curtis Tyrrell, CGCS** host superintendent.

TBA – Annual Class C Golf Outing at Aurora Country Club, **Virgil Range** host assistant. Please contact Scott Verdun, Merit Club for more information or to sign up.

some pretty turbulent weather. And to top it all off, there was some great drama on Sunday, with Europe looking like they were going to dominate the singles matches until a huge rally by the US ladies secured the Cup again. Awesome week of golf in Chicagoland!



STEVE KURETSKY	Con Jeff
MARK KOSBAR	Con Jeff
JOHN MAKSYMILU	Con Alberto
JEREMY DUNCAN	Con Alberto
BOB OWENS	Con Roman
NICK LEW	Con Matt
STEVE STEWART	Con ELIAS
JIM BURGE	Con MANUEL
MIKE MURPHY	RANGE FRWY
RYAN DUNBAR	RANGE FRWY
JEFF	FRWYS 1,2,18,17 →
TIM SCOTT	FRWYS 1,2,18,17 →
MIKE MUMPER	FRWYS 4,5,6 →
DAVID BIERY	FRWYS 4,5,6 →
JIM PEDERSEN	TEES+TARGETS/FRWY CLEAN UP
TIM ANDERSON	TEES+TARGETS/FRWY CLEAN UP
CRAIG KIGHT	Clippings Trailer/WITH JEFF TEAM
CHUCK ANFIELD	Clippings Trailer/WITH MIKE, DAVID
ADEM LENCKE	TEES+TARGETS/FRWY Clean up
BOB FRALEY	Inter.
TY McCLELLAN	?
MARCO ZEPEDA	BLOWER
PEDRO NORIEGA	FRWY BUNKERS
BENIGNO SILVA	FRWY BUNKERS
CHRISTIAN DUARTE	FRWY BUNKERS
WILLIAM McELHONE	FRWY BUNKERS
HIGLINO MAGANA	BLOWER
ANTONIO VALLIN	BLOWER
DAVID HENRY	Shop Cart
MICHAEL NEITZEL	Shop Cart



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