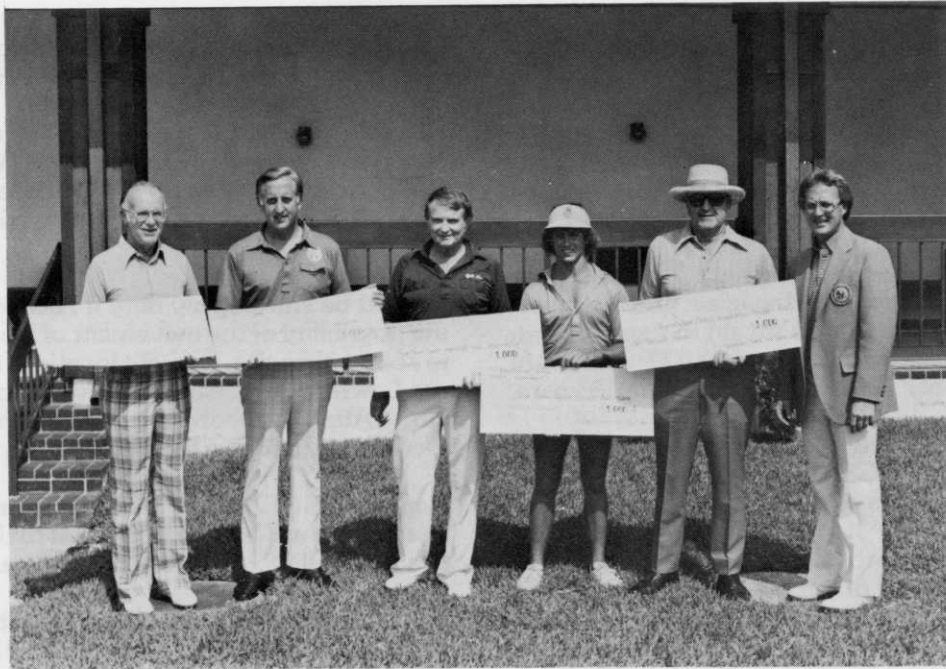


# PALM BEACH CHAPTER Golf Course Superintendents Association



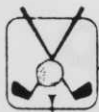
*Kevin Downing, far right, awards five \$1,000 checks.*

The adage of "golf is dying" appears too many times in golfing circles. The Palm Beach Chapter of the Florida GCSA has provided its own form of artificial respiration by conducting a benefit golf tournament. That is not unique, but the concept and the beneficiaries were.

The tournament title was the "Future of Golf". This relates to the continuing responsibility as golfers, pros, superintendents, architects, or suppliers to ensure the game has a bright future. The host chapter used the event proceeds to donate \$5,000. This helped local golf groups secure their future success. Each of the following organizations received \$1,000. They were the PGA Junior Golf

Program, Palm Beach County Youth Golf Program, Palm Beach Junior College golf team, Palm Beach County Amateur Golf Association, and the Florida Turfgrass Association Research Fund.

Kevin Downing, CGCS, from Atlantis Golf Club, President of the Palm Beach Chapter, stated: "We need to encourage, instruct and provide means for our youth to learn and enjoy golf. The future is also in research which aids us to find new ways and materials to perform our jobs more efficiently. We feel that those organizations will benefit from our tournament, and with their help we can ensure a bright future for golf. ■"



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