The Ninth Annual Crowfoot Open

The 1985 Crowfoot Open weekend took place Sunday, August 4th and Monday, August 5th at the Indigo Lakes Resort at Daytona Beach, Florida. Bob Williams, C.G.C.S. was the host Superintendent.

A lively and provocative seminar on Florida's new "Right to Know" law was presented by Mr. Whit Collins, consultant, and Mr. John Creech, attorney. The seminar was held Sunday morning from 8:00 a.m. til 12:00 p.m. Those attending will receive CEU credits. Sunday afternoon saw many players taking advantage of a beautiful day to get in a practice round for the upcoming tournament.

On Sunday evening, superintendents, sponsors, wives, and guests gathered at the conference center for a delicious buffet dinner and socialized and danced to the sounds of the Wilcox Connection.

115 players teed it up on Monday, August 5th to compete for individual and team honors. After battling rains all week with only Sunday's non-rain day reprieve, Bob Williams and his staff had the course in fine shape for the

event. Central Florida's Buddy Blandford won low gross with a sizzling 68. Gary Smithers from the Suncoast Chapter took 2nd place with a 71, and South Florida's David Oliver was 3rd with a 76. Buddy's 68 also led a sweep of the team low gross and low net honors. The low gross team was Buddy Blandford, Ed Burns, Joe Ondo, and Rick Walker. The low net team was made up of Buddy Blandford, David Johnston, Ed Burns, and Dick Hahne.

Winners of the special events were: Putting Contest -Fred Dickson; Long Drive - Buddy Blandford; Closest to the pin# - David Johnston, #8 - Crash Hall, #13 - Bernie Smith, and #16 - Buddy Blandford.

The Crowfoot Committee: Larry Kamphaus, Chairman; Vilma Kamphaus, Secretary; Jim Ellison, Joel Jackson, Joe Ondo, Bob Williams, and Steve Wright would like to thank all the Sponsors who made this event possible, and we extend a special thanks to the volunteers who assisted in operating the event.

Kissimmee Real Crowfoot Winner

DAYTONA BEACH

Palm Beach County has the most golf courses — and golf course superintendents — in florida and it's probably the state's wealthiest county per capita ... but for 1985, Florida's superintendents will have to consider the town of Kissimmee in Osceola County as the golf capital of the state.

And after a pair of Kissimmee supers lugged all their prizes from the 1985 Crowfoot Open at Indigo Lakes Resort back to Osceola County, its rank in per capita wealth probably jumped up a few notches.

Between them, Buddy Blandford of Buenaventura Lakes CC and David Johnston of Crystal Brook GC reeled in a pair of watches, two color televisions, a submersible pump, a lawnmower and a 35 mm camera.

And all they did to win that hardware was take low gross, low net, longest drive, two closest-to-the-pin prizes and lead the Central Florida Chapter to the team title.

It was a massacre. The rest of the field got bushwhacked.

Blandford, a large, friendly athlete headed to the National Long Drive contest at Firestone CC in Akron, Ohio right before the NEC World Series of Golf, almost took a grand slam.

He won long drive with a belt of "about 295," put his ball within two feet of the cup on number 16 and won the tournament over the challenging 7117-yard course with a solid 68. His net 65 would have given him those honors as well, if Johnston, a 27handicapper, hadn't shot 89-62.

Johnston also was closest to the pin on number 5.

"I had a good time," Blandford said. "The Crowfoot was the first big tournament win for the 10-year veteran superintendent who has been playing golf "since I was 14."

Low Gross: Buddy Blandford 68, Gary Smither 71, Dave Oliver 76.

Low Net: Dave Johnston 89-27-62; Ed Burns 75-9-66; Paul Crawford 92-24-68. South Florida: Bill Entwhistle, Sr. 82-10-72; Fred Klauk 77-3-74; Dave Oliver 76-2-74; Max Brown 88-11-77; Bill Entwhistle, Jr. 86-9-77.

Paim Beach: Paul Crawford 92-24–68; Doug Jorgensen 89-16–73; Mike Henderson 77-4-73; Stan Clark 89-14–75; Peter brooks 83-8-75; David Court 83-6-77; Dick Lemmel 90-12–78; Steve pearson 88-10–78; Glen Klauk 85-5–80.

West Coast: Dan Alywin 77-2-75; Don Delaney 87-10-77; Reed LeFebvre 90-12-78; Dan Myers 88-2-86.

Sun Coast: Gary Smither 71-3-68; Randy Vaughn 83-7-76; Bob Shaffer 85-8-77.

Treasure Coast: Kevin Downing 81-9-72; Tom Burrows 83-10-73; Newton Kraages 85-18-77; Tim Heirs 87-8-79; Scott Bell 100-21-79; Joe Snook 116-36-80.

North Florida: Bob Houser 87-18–69; Tom Prescott 81-6-75; Tom Cowan 12–76; Ron Hill 80-3–77; Crash Hall 86-9–77; Gary Ellison 89-12–77; Don Kooyer 99-22–77; Dick Johnson 91-12–79; John Hayden 97-18–79; Eddie Snipes 110-30–80.

Everglades: David Noote 87-14-73; Robert Shevin 89-15-74; Jack Faulk 80-5-75; Bob Sanderson 80; Ben Drolet 90-10-80; Robert Bittner 105-19-86; Rick Cook 105-13-92.

Central Florida: David Johnston 89-27–62; Buddy Blandford 68-3–65; Ed Burns 75-6–66; Dick Hahne 81-11–70; Len Mergenov 87-16–71; Karn Anken 80-9–71; Pat Partlow 77-5–72; Ted Daum 84-10–74; Charles Blankenship 90-16–74; Rick Walker 80-6–74; Jim Ellison 81-6–75; Howard Anderson 82-16–76; Ron Andrews 95-19–76; Fred Dickson 88-12–76; Joe Ondo 80-2-78; Joel Jackson 97-18–79; Gary Morgan 98-18–80; Steve Wright 90-10–80; Matt Shook 112-32–80; Sid Salomon 87-6–81; Dennis Parker 92-9–83; Bill Watson 104-18–86; John Yancey 95-8–97; Larry Kamphaus 116-28–88.

Ridge: Bob Ellis 84-10-74.

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