



Tied after regulation play, Joe Ondo(left), Mark Henderson(center) and Glenn Klauk(right), warm up for the sudden death playoff in the Poa Classic.

Photo by Joel Jackson

Rest, relaxation and reorganization in Naples

Everglades chapter hosts FGCSA for Horn Memorial, Poa Annuia Classic tournaments

Kicking back for a weekend at a beach-side resort is a novel way of conducting business and undergoing training, but that's what the Everglades Chapter invites the members of the FGCSA to do every spring. This year was no exception and the FGCSA members converged on the Naples Beach Club this past May 16-18.

On Saturday morning the FGCSA Officers and Board of Directors met to discuss the needs, goals, and challenges facing the association, and determine appropriate courses of action. Pro-active environmental strategies, turfgrass research project funding, professional education programs, and public and political awareness issues commanded the most attention.

Later that day, pens, pads, and briefcases were replaced by putters, score cards



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Mickey Lovett of CIBA-Geigy outlines innovative, cooperative rebate program between CIBA-Geigy and FGCSA members to the Board of Directors.

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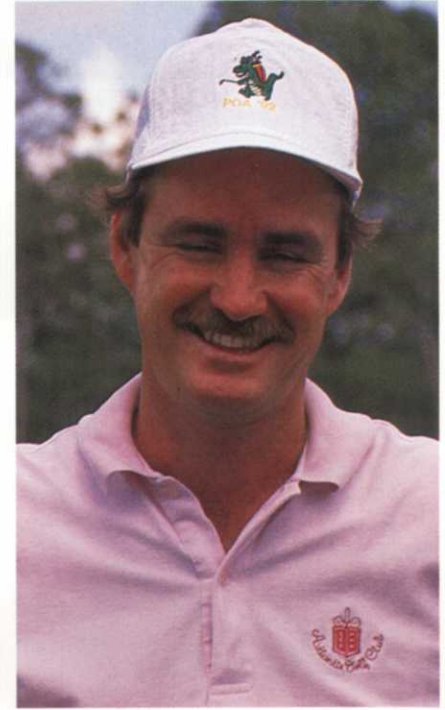


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Poa champion

Mark Henderson, superintendent of the Atlantis G. C. in West Palm Beach, pars two playoff holes to defeat his fellow competitors.

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and golf bags as the annual G.C. Horn Memorial Tournament held at the Beach Club golf course earned much-needed dollars for the FTGA Endowment Fund bearing Dr. Horn's name.

The two-man scramble event has become the traditional way we honor the man who pioneered the so highly-successful turfgrass industry in our state. Many of us were educated formally and informally by "Granny Horn" at the University Of Florida or in numerous turf seminars throughout the years.

Sunday morning, those seeking GCSAA continuing education credits for certification and/or Florida DACS Restricted Pesticide License credits, attended a two-part program.

Part 1: Pesticide Waste and Mixing/Loading Site Management by Steven Dwinell of the Florida DER. **Part 2:** Government Regulations and the Superintendent by John Hinkle of the Employers Association of Florida. Two topics that are so timely and time consuming for today's turf manager.

Monday arrived and the 1992 Poa Annua Classic was contested at the Fla-

mingo Island Golf Club. Offering individual as well as chapter team competition, this year's tournament was spared from the rainouts that had come to mar the event the past several years.

This year also saw a rare playoff for the individual low gross champion. After regulation play, Glenn Klauk, Mark Henderson, and Joe Ondo were tied with 73s. Glen and Joe made long par-saving putts on the first playoff hole to tie Mark's tap in par putt and force a second hole. Unable to duplicate that feat again on the next hole, Glenn and Joe relinquished the title to Mark as he once again tapped in for the winning par. The Palm Beach Chapter continued its dominance by repeating as Team Champions.

As always it was nice to spend some time with family, friends, and peers in a relaxed atmosphere that allowed us to share personal and professional experiences, sunshine, sea breezes, and sun-downs.

International Turfgrass Research Conference will convene in 1993 in Palm Beach at Breakers

The world's leading researchers in the turfgrass industry will be coming together at the seventh International Turfgrass Research Conference, July 18-24, 1993 at the Breakers Resort in Palm Beach.

They'll be sharing the latest in turfgrass environmental, chemical, biological, management and breeding developments.

This will be the first conference held in the United States in 20 years; past conferences have been held every four years in such locations as Canada, Germany, France, Great Britain and Japan.

Possibly 1,000 international turfgrass industry leaders and scientists will attend the event, sponsored by the International Turfgrass Society.

The conference will showcase presen-

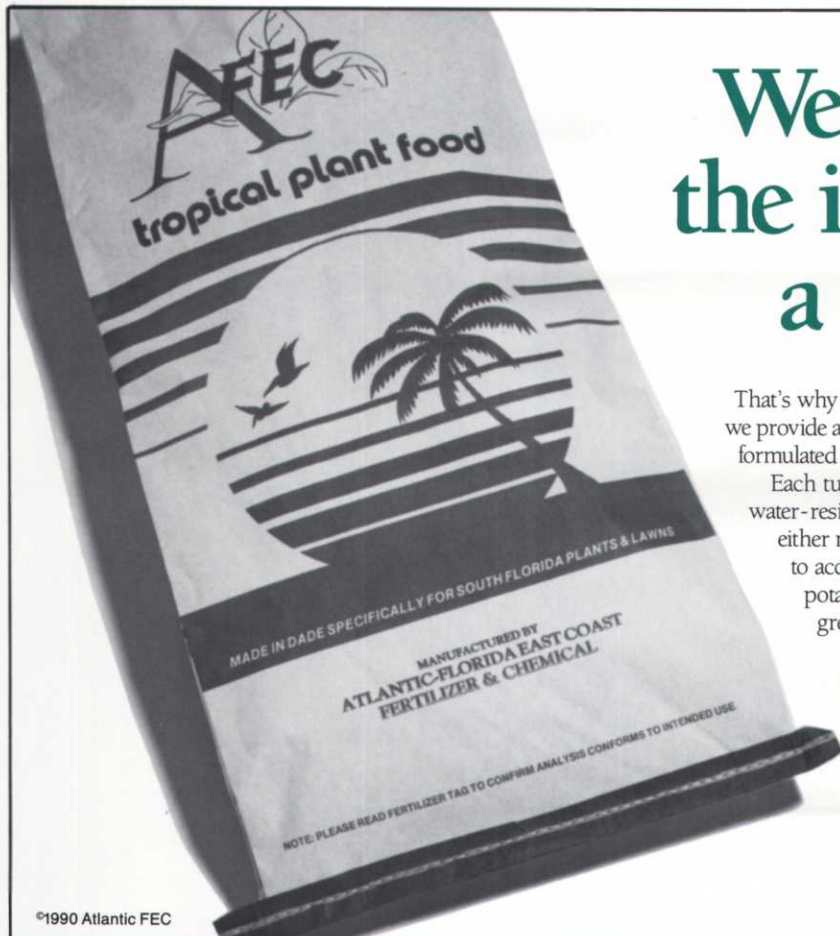
tations from more than 200 participants and feature symposia and plenary sessions on selected, far-ranging topics. Session titles include *Water Conservation*, *The Environmental Fate of Pesticides*, *Breeding of New Varieties of Turf*, *Pest Management* and *Soil Fertility*.

ITRC offers complete registration packages to all members. Local turfgrass professionals are encouraged to attend the event.

The ITRC will also be offering 7-10 day-length, pre- and post-conference tours of the nation's southeastern and west coast turf industry.

Additionally, tours of several of Florida's local turf industry sites are being offered for those who are interested, including the newest environmental research facility: Envirotron.

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