

Conclusion

The ACSP for golf courses is only a part of the Cooperative Sanctuary System. Businesses, schools and back yards can also be registered in this program. The concept is the same; programs are just geared to that particular property.

If your golf course is close to a school, why not consider helping them to become a cooperative sanctuary as well?

The back yard program can be a very effective educational tool for superintendents, as well as for homeowners. Ask the Audubon Society of New York to mail you some back yard brochures and place them in your clubhouse or proshop. Once your members become involved in this program, it won't be long before they will be saying, "Hey, why don't we implement more of these programs on the golf course!". It's a good opportunity for them to learn about the Audubon Society of New York and how the cooperative sanctuary system works.

The information presented in this article is not complete by any means, but hopefully will give you some idea of how to get started making your golf course a sanctuary for wildlife. By implementing these and other beneficial programs and by involving your golfers/members, you will be educating as well as gaining support. More tolerance and support for programs you are implementing and less complaints... you can't beat that!



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