

# The 20th Annual Crowfoot Open



Paul Crawford (right) received the 1996 FGCSA Distinguished Service Award at the Crowfoot Open banquet after surviving a good natured "roasting" introduction from his long time friend, Butch Gill. Photo by Joel Jackson.

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Walt Disney World was host to Central Florida's Golf Course Superintendents' 20th Annual Crowfoot Open.

At the State Board Meeting on Saturday a new Executive Board was elected to a one-year term. New officers are Dale Kuehner, CGCS, President; Joe Ondo, CGCS, Vice President; and Mike Perham, CGCS, Secretary-Treasurer. Greg Plotner, CGCS will serve one more year on the Board as Past President. A new budget and new list of goals and objectives were approved for the 1996-97 fiscal year in hopes of continuing to make our association better for our members.

At the Sunday night banquet comedian/musician Dan Riley kept the audience in stitches with his routines and Mickey and Minnie Mouse were on hand for photo opportunities. Paul Crawford was presented with the FGCSA Distinguished Service Award for 1996 and well roasted in the process by Butch Gill. Clem

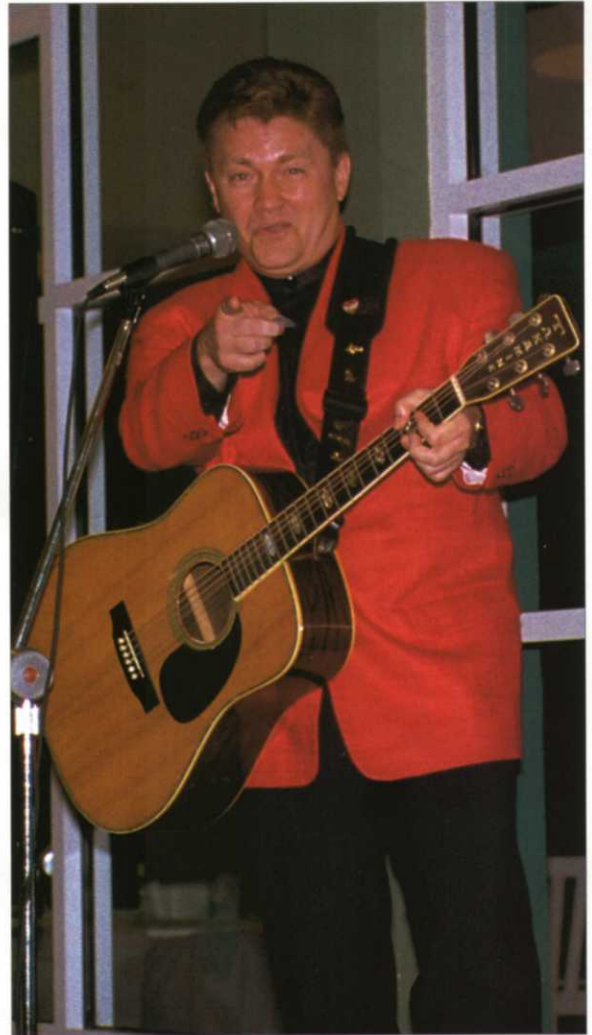


The 1996-97 FGCSA Officers elected at the Summer '96 board meeting in Orlando are from left: Secretary/Treasurer Michael Perham, CGCS; Vice President Joe Ondo, CGCS and President Dale Kuehner, CGCS. Greg Plotner, CGCS, remains on the board as immediate Past President. Photo by Joel Jackson.

(From the left) Richard Coyler and Dale Mitchell of Golf Agronomics present a \$5,500 donation from their rebate program to the FGCSA Research Fund. Over the past six years their donations have totaled over \$24,000. Immediate Past President, Greg Plotner, CGCS accepts the donation for the FGCSA. Photo by Joel Jackson.







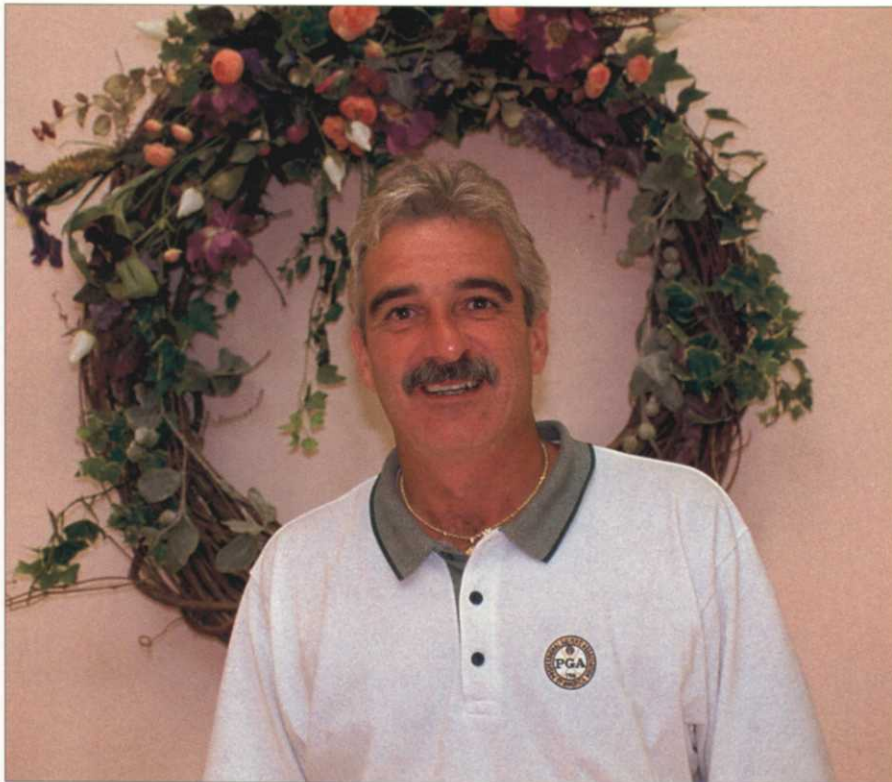
Singer-comedian Dan Riley kept the Crowfoot Open banquet crowd in stitches with his humorous and sometimes irreverent takeoffs on popular songs. Photo by Joel Jackson.

There's a lot being written about First Ladies these days. Central Florida has a clear favorite, Vilma Kamphaus, First Lady of the Crowfoot Open. Superintendent hubby, Larry Kamphaus may be the Chairman of the Crowfoot Committee, but we know who really does all the work. Photo by Joel Jackson.

Your hosts for the 20th Annual Crowfoot Open weekend were from left to right. Front row: Tom Trammel(MetroWest); Kevin Rotti(Eastwood & President, Central Florida Chapter); Tom Alex(Grand Cypress) and Dwight Kummer(Bay Hill). Back row: Larry Kamphaus(Walt Disney World) and Joe Ondo(Winter Pines). Photo by Joel Jackson.







*The Low Gross winner of the Commercial Division was Steve O'Neill, a member of the North Florida PGA. Photo by Joel Jackson.*

Stewart and Steve Kuhn were announced as 1996 recipients of the President's Award for Lifetime Service.

On Monday morning Joel Jackson, CGCS and his staff had everything ready for an 8:00 shotgun start for approximately 120 superintendents, sponsors and guests. Using the Stableford scoring system (with 1 point for a bogey, 2 points for par, 3 points for a birdie and 4 points for an eagle) play seemed to move at a better



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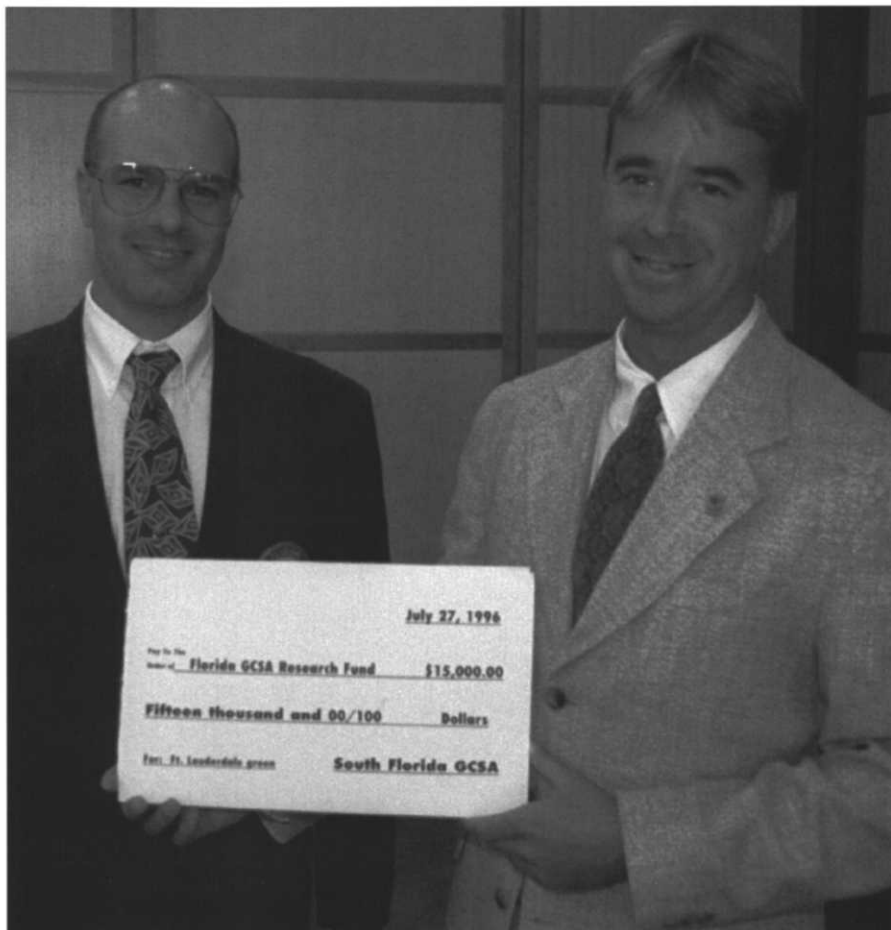
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pace this year. In less than five hours, it was time for a check of scorecards. Chapter team competition was as close as ever, with Seven Rivers winning a match of cards over Central Florida and Treasure Coast one shot back. Members of the winning team were Vic Conigliaro, Stuart Bozeman, Dennis Kuestes and Bob Roessing.

In individual competition, Vic Conigliaro shot a fine 72 to qualify for the state team, along with Mark Hopkins who qualified earlier this year. Finishing second was Mark Henderson in a match of cards over Larry Livingston, CGCS. In the net division Dennis Kuestes was first, Jay Gratton second and Stuart Bozeman third. In the commercial division Steve O'Neill was low gross winner with Steve Sorrel second and Mike Cook third. In the net division the winner was Kent Busser, followed by Chip Lewison and Harry Becker.

Congratulations to Harry Becker for his first career hole-in-one on the 3rd hole and winning closets to the pin prize on that hole. Other CTP winners were #6 Roy Wilshire, #12 Dave Oliver, #15 Keith Longshore, and long drive #8 Mark Hopkins.

A special thanks to Walt Disney World, Bonnet Creek Club, Joel Jackson, CGCS and his staff, Larry and Vilma Kamphaus and the Crowfoot Committee, and all our Gold and Diamond Sponsors for another successful event.



*Another successful South Florida Expo was celebrated as Bob Klitz, CGCS(right), South Florida External VP presented a \$15,000 check to incoming FGCSA President Dale Kuehner, CGCS. These Expo funds annually are the cornerstone for supporting the operation of the Otto Schmeisser Research Green in Ft. Lauderdale.  
Photo by Joel Jackson.*



*Anchored by Low Gross Superintendent winner Vic Conigliaro's par 72 and Net Division finishes of first and third by Bob Roessing and Stuart Bozeman, the Seven Rivers Chapter captured the Crowfoot Open Team Championship.(left to right) Vic Conigliaro, Dennis Kustes, Bob Roessing and Stuart Bozeman. Photo by Joel Jackson.*