

board of the Palm Beach Chapter in 1987, becoming president in 1992. He did double duty during this period, serving on the FGCSA board from 1989 until becoming president in 1993. He was instrumental in laying the groundwork for the establishment of the successful Otto Schmeisser Research Green at the UF REC in Ft. Lauderdale... and the FGCSA hiring a technician to maintain it. His business savvy helped transition *The Florida Green* into the financial success it enjoys today, serving as business manager of our award-winning magazine for several years following his presidency.

Not content to rest on these laurels, Crawford then turned his attention to both the GCSAA and the Florida Turfgrass Association. He served on the GCSAA's Chapter Relations Committee, and over a seven-year period served the FTGA with a term as a director and at various times as a member of the external affairs, events, administration operations, publications, funding and endowment, finance, and member services committees.

By 2001, Crawford decided to scale back on his level of involvement and politely declined requests to serve on boards and committees. It is a well-deserved respite, but one I'm sure will be punctuated by many instances of service to the industry.

Awards like this are won by toil and accomplishment recognized by peers in your industry, but there is a side to Paul that, in my opinion, exceeds any professional achievement. Though he is divorced like so many of us, Crawford is the rock of stability and support for his two children Chris, 16, and Kelli, 14. His children come first in Paul Crawford's life, and if you've seen them with him in Naples, the Keys, or some other setting, you realize what a great job he has done raising these two beautiful and well-behaved young adults.

Nowadays Paul can be found more frequently at his place in the Keys, usually accompanied by Chris and Kelli, kicking back and enjoying life on the water in his boat "Crawdaddy," which is also his nickname; it seems appropriate even if Paul didn't enjoy fishing and diving for lobster as much as he does.

Mark Jarrell, CGCS

PALM BEACH FUTURE OF GOLF

Full field sloses through delayed fund-raiser

Perseverance should be the motto of The Palm Beach Chapter GCSA. The June 2 event at The Falls CC in Lake Worth was washed out with the first heavy rain in months as the players were teeing it up on the first hole. Drought or no drought, the chance of playing in the afternoon during the summer is pot luck at best!

The rescheduled make-up date of July 14, didn't look much better. Typical afternoon showers were expected. The full field of 128 players was in attendance and ready to play. The 1 p.m. shotgun start went off without incident. The first nine holes were played with a couple of intermittent showers, but at least the tournament was going to have a team winner in this four-man scramble format and they were Mike Bonetti, Howard Hulsebosch, Ken Kniaz and Bob Harper.

After 15 holes, the skies opened up and everyone headed for the clubhouse. After everyone dried out, they sat down to enjoy a buffet dinner. Afterwards, lucky raffle ticket holders picked up over \$2,000 worth of prizes. The finale was the Aventus Power Pack Auction which netted \$1,400 for the event.

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The 2001-02 FGCSA Officers elected at the August Annual Meeting from left: Greg Pheneger, secretary/treasurer; David Court, CGCS, vice president; Geoff Coggan, CGCS, MG; and Cary Lewis, CGCS, who is taking it easy already! Photo by Joel Jackson.



FGCSA Board of Directors for 2001-02 from left: Front row: Dale Walters, CGCS, Everglades; John Lammrish, Central Florida; Joe Pantaleo, South Florida; Back row: Andy Maguire, President North Florida; Mark Henderson, Palm Beach; John VanVranken, Suncoast; Roger Taylor, Calusa. Not pictured: Doug Abbuhl, Coastal Plains; Greg Tharp, North Florida; Steve Ciardullo, Ridge; Buddy Keene, Seven Rivers; Eric Joy, West Coast. Photo by Joel Jackson.

the many tournament sponsors, the Palm Beach County Chapter was able to raise \$21,000 for turfgrass research. A few weeks later at a Palm Beach GCSA chapter meeting Dr. John Cisar was presented with an \$8,000 check for his continuing research project on ultradwarf bermudagrass management.

Steve Pearson



Deltona Hills C.C. superintendent Chris Cartin shot a 1-under-par 71 to claim the Crowfoot Open medalist trophy. Photo by Joel Jackson.

CENTRAL FLORIDA CROWFOOT OPEN

Silver Anniversary for Kamphaus Crowfoot Open

The Central Florida GCSA celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Larry Kamphaus Crowfoot Open Aug. 4-5 at the Grand Cypress Resort in Orlando. From its humble beginnings in 1976 as strictly a fund-raising golf tournament to its present business, golf and social format, the Kamphaus Crowfoot Open has taken its place among the must-attend events of the year.

This year's event was kicked off by the summer meeting of the Florida GCSA board of directors and the election of officers at the

ensuing annual meeting.

Darren Davis welcomed Cary Lewis, CGCS to the ranks of past presidents as Lewis passed the gavel to new FGCSA President Geoff Coggan, CGCS, MG. Joining Coggan on the 2001-02 Executive Council will be Vice President David Court, CGCS and Secretary/Treasurer Greg Pheneger.

Saturday was devoted to rest, relaxation, theme park attendance with families and practice rounds for those wishing to tune up for the golf tournament on Sunday. On Saturday night, the poolside buffet

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