

2002 FLORIDA GREEN PHOTO CONTEST • CATEGORY 3



1st Place - Native wildflowers, by Lyne Page, The Habitat @ Valkaria



2nd Place - Native plantings replace exotic invaders, by Tom Trammel, Hawks Nest G.C.

Native Plants: includes beds of native plants, aquatic plants, natural areas and wildflowers.

Easy Rules

1. Submissions for judging must be a color or black and white photograph or a slide. No computer print outs of digital photos will be accepted. Only one entry per category. Don't make us choose.
2. Photo must be taken on an FGCSA member's course and taken by the member or a member of his/her staff.
3. Attach a label to the back of the photograph

4. A caption identifying the category, course and photographer should be typed or printed on the paper below the photograph.
5. Judging will be done by a panel of FGCSA members not participating in the contest. Mail entries in a bend-proof package/mailer to Joel Jackson, 6780 Tamarind Circle, Orlando, FL 32819

Prizes

1. First Place (\$100). Second Place \$50 in each Category

2. Editor's Choice - Best Overall Photo - \$100
3. All winning entries will be published in the Florida Green.

Categories

- Category 1 - Wildlife on the Course: mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians and insects.
- Category 2 - Formal Landscape: annual beds, shrubs, trees, entrance and tee sign beds and any other formal plantings.
- Category 3 - Native Landscape: native plant beds, aquatic vegetation plantings, natural areas and any other use of native plants on the course.
- Category 4 - Scenic Hole: sunrises, sunsets, frosts, storms or any other interesting view of a golf hole.

because of the work that the GCSAA, the FGCSA, the FTGA, the TPI, and others have done to educate their members on safe pesticide use, and to educate the public on the benefit of turf to the environment. It cuts deeply because pesticides are greatly misunderstood and distrusted by the general public. Idle and erroneous speculation about possible future complaints from neighbors can only feed the flames

of misunderstanding.

Most seasoned environmentalists I know have focused their efforts on broader issues such habitat loss, noxious exotic weeds, and energy policy. In contrast, pesticides are one of the few environmental issues that are under strict regulatory oversight. With few exceptions, the kinds of pesticides that are used, and the low rates at which they

are used, make the biggest problem one of actually finding them in the environment. But careless comments about pesticides get attention.

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I had an enjoyable and stimulating exchange of views regarding my suggestion that turf managers run out and join the nearest environmental club. The comment was that doing so might be like