

Frost delay. This is a lot different from a condo courtyard. Photo by Joel Jackson.

when a member approached me at the driving range tee and asked me, "How do you cut the grass and maintain the grass on those floating greens?" He was referring to the target greens on our aqua range with artificial turf on them. I kept a straight face and said mowing them is difficult but fertilizing and watering them is even harder.

Hurricane Prep Follow-Up

In moving our files to a new computer we missed this answer from Steve Huffstetler of the Glen Eagles G&CC in Naples. Steve shares his hurricane-prep answer to last issue's question: "Given the very active hurricane seasons of 2004 and 2005, with numerous Florida landfalls, what if anything are you planning or doing differently to prepare for the next hurricane season?" Here's Steve's new checklist of what he would do differently now:

• Arrange for a big generator to power the pumphouse before the storm hits.

• Have a signed contract in hand with a competent tree service for its clean-up services after a hurricane.

• Buy and stock chain saws, gas cans and extra chain blades prior to the storm.

• Buy a manual pump for the fuel tanks.

• Buy extra leaf rakes, pitchforks and shovels ready to use the day after.

• Stockpile bottled water for the crew and volunteers.

