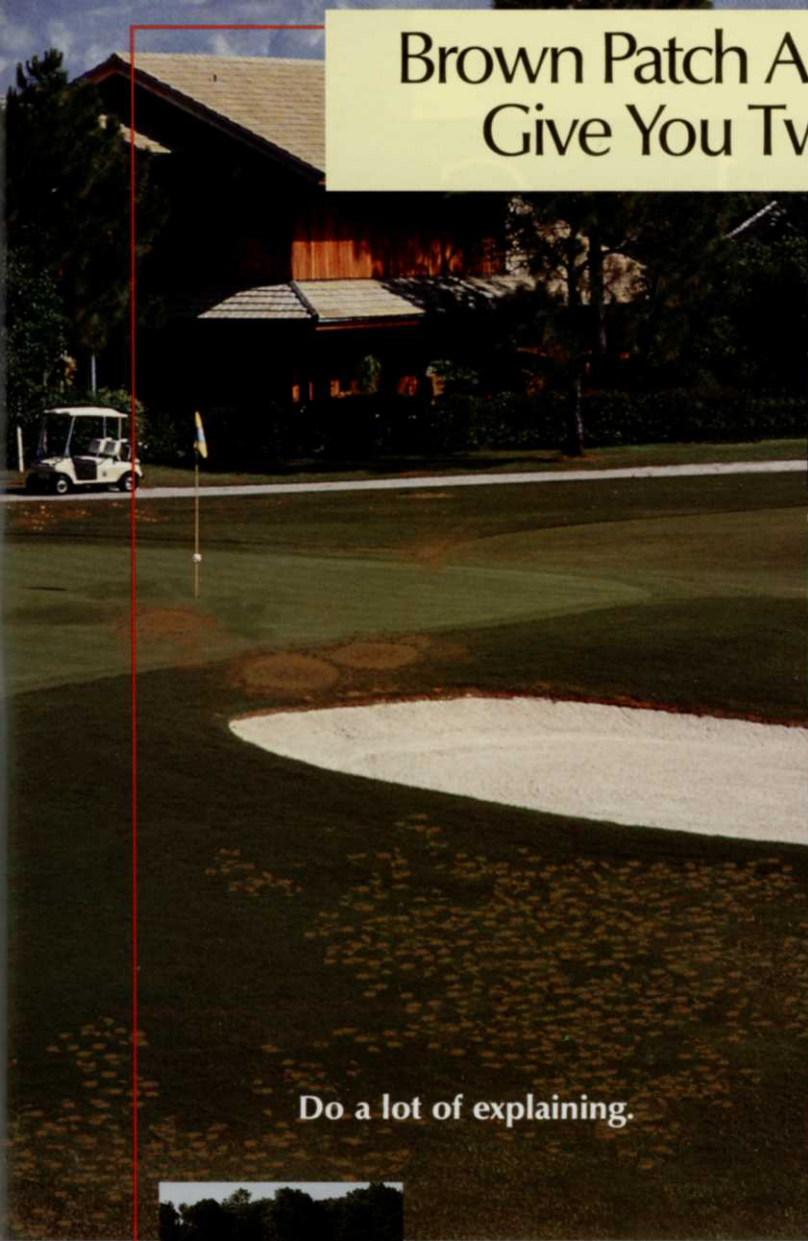




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— approximately six hours. To speed up play next year, the field will be limited to the first 130 paying participants. Reserving a spot without payment will no longer be accepted.

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*See you next year!*



*Pine Barrens G.C. Photo by Grady Miller*

**Serious  
(Fun)draising  
Envirotron Classic raises  
\$45,000 for UF research  
facility**

This past April the Seven Rivers Chapter did it again! Glenn Oberlander, Stuart Bozeman and host superintendent Steve Hritsko spearheaded the event which garnered approximately \$45,000 for the Envirotron research facility located at the University of Florida. This five year old event has become the Envirotron's leading fundraiser and is supported more and more by individual chapters through donated entry fees.

The leading supporter though has to be Barbaron, Inc. of Crystal River. This

golf course development company topped the sponsor list for the second year in a row with a gift of \$12,500. The owners of the company, Ron Kitchen, Sr., Ron Kitchen, Jr. and Terry Lagree are to be commended for their vision and confidence in the success and value of what the Envirotron can mean to the future of golf turf management research.

Winning teams of the scramble format event were: Pine Barrens - Low Gross Team: Sam Anderson, Larry Carlson, Bill Reynolds and Mark Revelia with a 56. Low Net Team: Ron Bear, Whit Derrick, Bruce Orr and Rick Wahl with a 59.875. Rolling Oaks - Low Gross Team: Jennifer Adams, John Adams, Scott Fraser and Dale Reash with a 57. Low Net Team: Joe Clay, Bill Fowler, Jack Harrell, Jr. and Tim Orten with a 57.875.



*Rolling Oaks G.C.  
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# Blue Pearl '97

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*USGA Green Section, Florida Region*

In their four years of hosting the Blue Pearl Tournament at Loblolly Pines Golf Club in Hobe Sound, members of the Treasure Coast Golf Course Superintendents Association have put more than \$45,000 back into their communities.

The first year, they gave \$10,000 to the Treasure Coast Wildlife Hospital. In the past three years, funds raised by the Blue Pearl Tournament have been donated to the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Schools. From adopting schools into the program, to buying books for libraries, to funding environmental projects at local schools, to even serving on school committees, the TCGCSA is making a difference for environmental education in schools.

The association's goal is to create a String of Pearls across the country by challenging other superintendent chapters to host Blue Pearl Tournaments to raise money for schools. They are well on the way, with several chapters across the country now planning Blue Pearls.

Blue Pearl 97 had some special guests in town for two days of events:



*Third Annual Helicopter Hole-In-One sponsored by the Hobe Sound Women's Club. Helicopter donated by Greg Norman drops numbered golf balls purchased by participants. Closest to the pin wins! Photos by Shelly Foy.*

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- Jeffrey Litrenta, writer/producer, EPIC of Wisconsin, Inc.;

GCSAA, in partnership with Rain Bird, are sponsors of the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary School Program. The dignitaries were in town to see for themselves what has been going on in the Treasure Coast with superintendents and schools. They interviewed at least 17



TCGCSA President Dick Gray presents a \$12,000 check from the '97 Blue Pearl to Audubon International for its School Program. Photo by Shelly Foy.

people, and got lots of footage from the Blue Pearl for an upcoming Par for the Course show on June 21st.

During the two days of events, the special guests took a tour of the first fully certified Audubon School Sanctuary, Hobe Sound Elementary. It was a good opportunity for them to see first hand how schools and superintendents work together on environmental education projects.

Then, Rob Kloska, GCS, and his staff at the Jupiter Island Club hosted 31 fifth graders from Hobe Sound Elementary and guests for a tour of the golf course. The tour also tied in with Career Week at the school. The students had the opportunity to meet various other staff members, such as the assistant superintendent, mechanic, irrigation technician, and general manager. Highlights from the golf course tour:

Soap Flush for mole crickets — the boys loved it, so did most of the girls .

Computerized Irrigation — Rob explained how the system worked, then demonstrated by having the kids watch No.18 fairway while he programmed the system to come on via radio.

Excitement was evident on the kids' faces when discussing wildlife, particularly when they saw the incubator for the ducks.

There were several good questions from students on equipment washdown, pesticide storage, and even an interesting discussion of a reverse osmosis plant Jupiter Island plans to build.

My favorite comments about the field trip:

"In my 20-something years of teaching, this is the most informative field trip I have ever taken a group of kids on." Sandy Pisano, 5th grade teacher

"This is the first time I've ever been on a field trip where they gave us a soda!" David Hebb, 5th grader

On Friday evening, the TCGCSA hosted a casual dinner for 50 at the Jupiter Island Beach Club. Guests, superintendents, teachers, school administrators and kids were all on hand for a lovely dinner outside, with the ocean as our backdrop and osprey flying overhead.

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