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accounts.

This is one chapter that really reaches out to build superintendent relationships with golf pros, club officials and the community. This sense of community makes the Suncoast Chapter one of the most stable in our business. Each foursome in the tournament is made up of a superintendent, golf pro and club official from an area club and the team is filled out with a supplier who serves the area.

Congratulations on another great event that supports turf research, junior golf and local charities.

JOEL JACKSON

SOUTH FLORIDA EXPO

Nearly 400 Turn Out For 14th Turf Expo

Nearly 400 people attended this year's event held March 22 at the UF/IFAS Ft. Lauderdale Research & Education Center. The attendance continues to increase as golf courses, local municipalities and lawn maintenance companies send their operators and technicians to the event.

Field tours of the research plots featuring presentations by Drs. Lawrence Datnoff (fungicides & Pythium blight), Phil Busey (weed ID & control), George Snyder (nitrogen leaching), John Cisar (FYN Project & ultradwarf management), Robin Giblin-Davis (nematode control) and Al Dudeck (fairway bermudagrasses) kicked off the event from 8:30 to 10 a.m.

From 10 to Noon saw the product exposition and equipment demonstrations



Some of the nearly 400 participants at the 14th Annual SFGCSA Turf Exposition watching an aerifier demonstration on part of the FGCSA Otto Schmeisser Research Green at the UF/IFAS Research & Education Center in Ft. Lauderdale. Photo by Steve Pearson.

followed by the now - traditional barbecue lunch provided by Emerald Island Turf, Inc. Donation of the lunches enables the Expo to clear enough profit to sustain the FGCSA's Otto Schmeisser Research Green.

After lunch Bruce Adams from the South Florida Water Management District gave an update on the current and pending water restrictions. Then from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. the crowd moved indoors to hear presentations and workshops on athletic field management (Dr.

Monica Elliott, UF/IFAS); pest management and regulations (Lee Bloomcamp, Syngenta); sprayer calibration and worker safety (Dr. Vernon Vandiver, UF/IFAS & Joe Limberg, Hector Turf); troubleshooting electrical problems (Terry Staten & Jay Milano, John Deere Corp.); troubleshooting hydraulic problems (Shay Maley, Kilpatrick Turf); fault finding & wire tracking (Charlie Barcellona, Boynton Pump); sprinkler spacing & nozzle selection (Dave Ragan, Boynton Pump, Hector Turf



Dr. John Cisar, left, the Turf Expo Whip with Wiley McCall, president of Emerald Island Turf. McCall has been donating barbecue lunches at the Ft. Lauderdale, Gainesville and Milton Turf Expos and Field Days, which means more proceeds go to turf research. Photo by Steve Pearson.

and Kilpatrick Turf).

The event raised \$27,000 for the FGCSA Research Account and the check was presented at the FGCSA Board meeting at Naples in May.

STEVE PEARSON

CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER

Danny Burgess Memorial Draws 70

This year's Danny Burgess Memorial Golf Tournament held at the Windermere CC April 2 attracted 70 players from around Central Florida area to help raise money for turf students at Lake City Community College in the form of scholarships.

Burgess, the Windermere C.C. superintendent died in a boating accident five years ago. A memorial oak tree and bronze plaque on the first tee reminds everyone of Danny's contributions to our chapter and to his golf course. The annual tournament helps prepare future superintendents for our industry.

Between the players and hole sponsors, the gross receipts for the event totaled over \$5,400. The chapter also will donate a large portion of the \$3,025 raised at this year's Bay Hill Invitational golf tournament to the Danny Burgess Scholarship Fund. This money was earned by CFGCSA members serving as TV spotters and scorers for NBC Sports' coverage of the golf tournament. Our big winner this year is second-year turf student Rickey Craig receiving a scholarship check for \$1,200.00.

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Front row from left: Carol MacCurrach, Mary Ann Richards, Clayton Estes NFGCSA president. Back row: Scholarship recipients Chris Durkee, Craig Banister and Jason Waller. Photo by Butch Singo.

NORTH FLORIDA CHAPTER

Richards Memorial Adds 3 Honors

The North Florida Golf Course Superintendents Chapter held the Ninth Annual Mike Richards Memorial Scholarship Tournament April 9 at the prestigious Jacksonville Golf and Country Club. The host golf course superintendent for the 108 participants was Greg Tharp; Ray



Jeff Hayden, left accepts the Alan MacCurrach Lifetime Achievement Award given posthumously to his father John Hayden from Tom Cowan. Photo by Butch Singo.

Barr was host golf professional.

History

Kim and Jim Shine initiated the Mike Richards scholarship tournament in 1992 to honor Mike Richards, sales manager for Tresca Industries, and his dedication to the profession. Over the past eight years, the NFGCSA has awarded \$42,000 in scholarships to deserving turf students in the North Florida area.

A Mike Richards Foundation has been established that has funds totaling \$30,930.00. The hope for this event is for the Foundation to become self-sustaining so as to be able to provide financial help to students.

The family of Alan MacCurrach has also been instrumental in promoting a scholarship fund in memory of Alan and his accomplishments in the golf field as an agronomist for the PGA Tour.

Scholarship recipients

Three separate scholarships totalling \$6,000 were awarded at the tournament.



Mrs. Ed Dyer (seated) was on hand with her sons Joe (left) and Jimmy to receive the MacCurrach Lifetime Achievement Award given in memory of Ed Dyer. Photo by Butch Singo.

Chris Durkee, a third-year student at Lake City Community College received the \$3,000 Mike Richards Scholarship. Chris

currently works with Greg Tharp at Jacksonville Golf and Country Club.

Recipients of \$1,500 Alan MacCurrach scholarships were Jason Waller, a first-year student at Lake City Community College and Craig Banister, a first-year student at Abraham Baldwin College in Tifton, Ga.

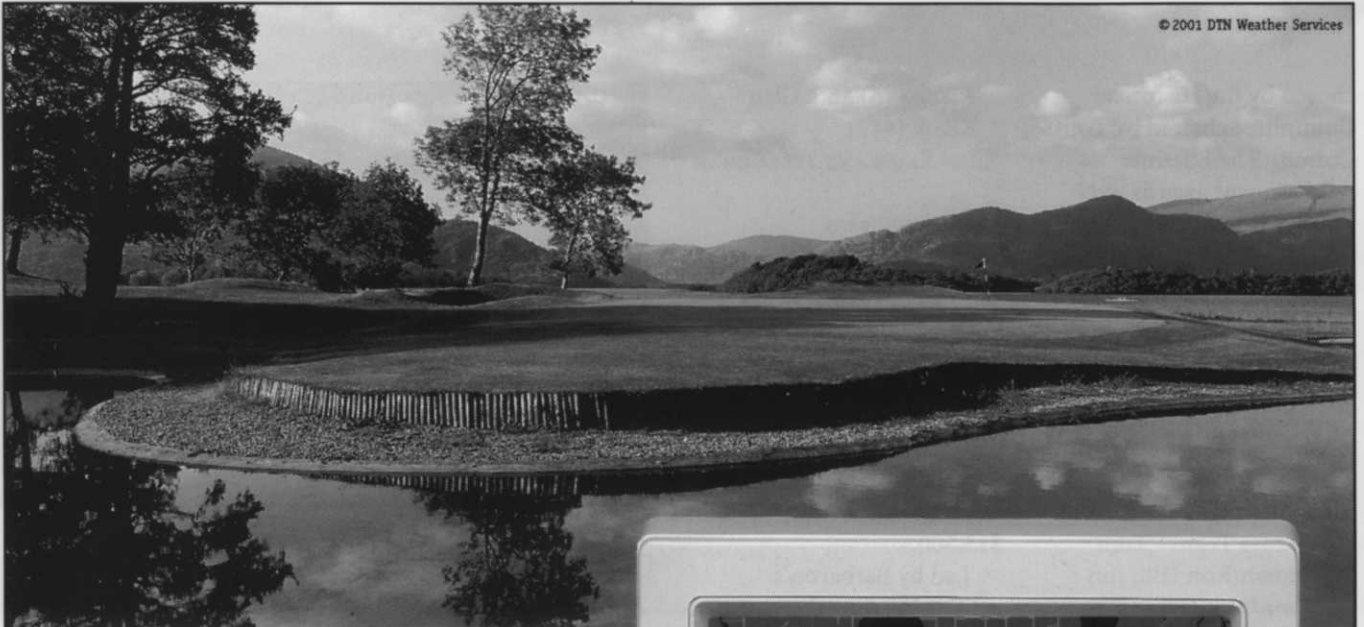
Lifetime Achievement

A new tradition was started at the Mike Richards Tournament this year. The board of directors of the NFGCSA presented Lifetime Achievement Awards to three distinguished past members. The award itself was named the Alan MacCurrach Lifetime Achievement Award in honor of a person who demonstrated the meaning of lifetime achievement. MacCurrach passed away in 1997 and epitomized professionalism and dedication to the "Keeping of the Greens."

The recipients were



Tom Cowan, right, presents the MacCurrach Lifetime Achievement Award to the Ellison family recognizing the contributions to the North Florida Chapter by the late Gary Ellison. Jimmy Ellison accepts the award for the family. Photo by Butch Singo.



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chosen by the Historical Committee chaired by Tom Cowan. The Lifetime Achievement awards were presented to the families of the following past members of the NFGCSA: Ed Dyer, John Hayden and Gary Ellison. We extend our congratulations to the families of these wonderful men.

Golf Winners

Low Gross Team - Tom

Brennan/Ron Hill; Jim Ellison/Mike Ellison

Low Net Team - Fred

Klauk/Brad Tucker; Fred Klinfelder/Greg Tharp

Putting Contest - Steve

Moskos

Closest to the Pins - Tom

Brennan (#3), Steve Cantrell (#12), Fred

Klauk (#6) and Glen Klauk (#17)

GLEN KLAUK AND TOM COWAN

SEVEN RIVERS CHAPTER

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The Barbaron Company stepped up its commitment to this event and to turf research funding by increasing their annual Champion Sponsorship to \$13,500.

Led by Barbaron's generosity, the other sponsors and participants helped the Seven Rivers GCSA once again raise nearly \$50,000 which is earmarked for specific research projects conducted primarily at the Envirotron Research Lab on the



Barbaron, Inc. ups the ante at the 9th Annual Envirotron Classic by increasing its annual Champion Sponsorship by \$1,000 to \$13,500. From left, Terry Legree, Barbaron, Inc.; Glenn Oberlander, tournament chairman, Stuart Bozeman, Seven Rivers GCSA president and Ron Kitchen, Jr., Barbaron, Inc. Photo by Joel Jackson.

University of Florida campus.

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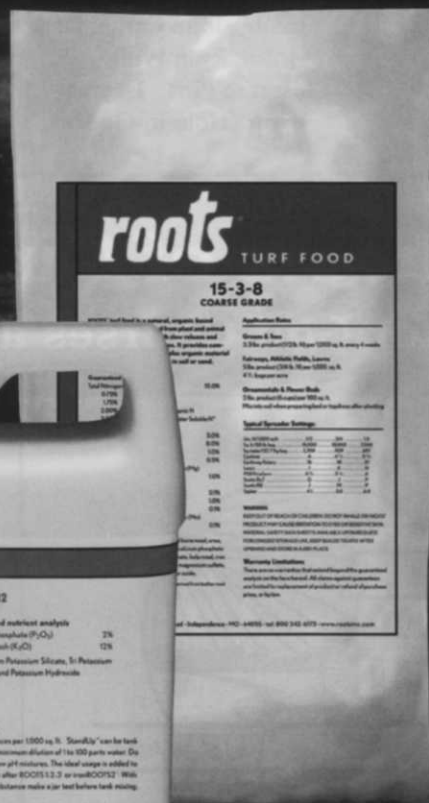
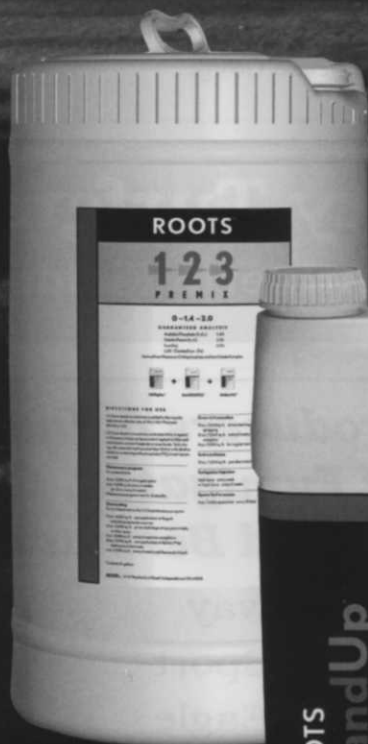
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Dr. Terril Nell, chairman of the UF environmental horticulture department thanked all the sponsors and participants for their support of IFAS Turf Research. Photo by Joel Jackson.

World Woods Golf Club for donating the facilities helping to increase the profits from the event. Congratulations to Glen Oberlander, Tournament Chairman and Seven Rivers GCSA President Stuart Bozeman and the corps of volunteers who helped cook the steak and shrimp dinner and helped with the par-3 contests and to Golf Ventures for providing the hot dog tent again this year.

Pine Barrens Results

1st Gross (57) - Ron

Chaney, Dave Brooks, Don Rider, Bob Crabill

1st Net (56.8) - Bobby Jacoby, John Carlin, Dan Green, Ryan Willis

Closest to Pins - Dennis Byrnr (Hole-in-One on



The men from GASH make a splash at the Envirotron Classic with their coordinated outfits. From left: Dale Mitchell, John Swaner, Richard Colyer and Chris Leahy. Photo by Joel Jackson.

#3); Chad Sartain (#7), David Holloway (#10), Kevin Vereb (#16)

DeSear, Steve Lyerly
Closest to Pins - John Swaner (#2), Pat Murphy (#7), Tom Diggins (#10), Steve Lyerly (#16)

Rolling Oaks Results

1st Net (55.7) - Roger Hruby, John Neville, George

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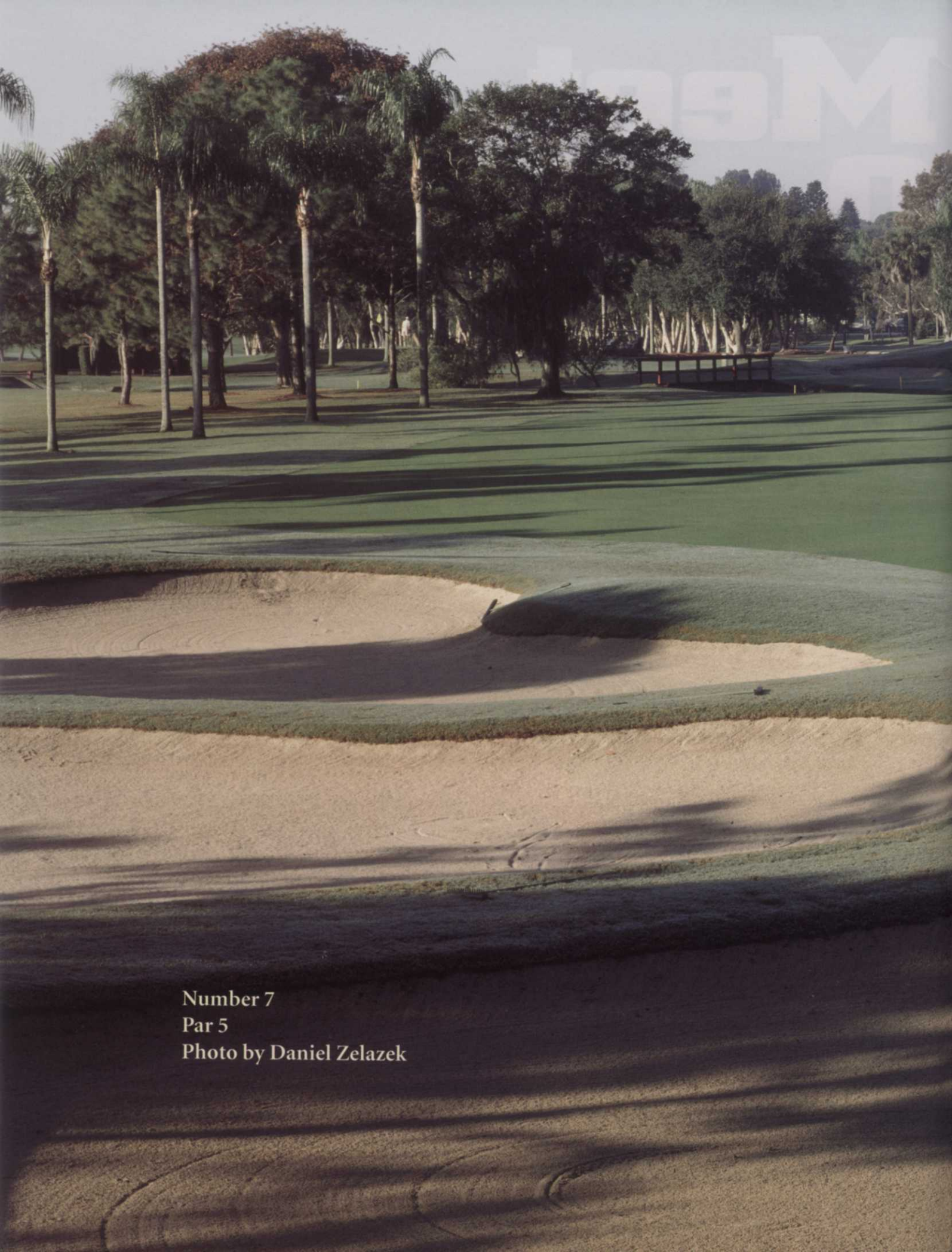
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