

Northeast



MACKINTOSH CERTIFIED

A. Roy Mackintosh, general manager/superintendent of Twin Hills Country Club in Longmeadow, Mass., has been designated a certified golf course superintendent by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America.

Mackintosh has been Twin Hills superintendent since 1964 and general manager since 1976.

MORRIS AT STRATTON MT.

Tom Morris is the new superintendent at Stratton Mt. (Vt.) Country Club.

BROWN HIRED AT WORCESTER CC

Daryn Brown is the new assistant superintendent at Worcester (Mass.) Country Club.

A 1991 graduate of Stockbridge, University of Massachusetts, Brown previously was employed at Needham (Mass.) Golf Club under Ron Kirkman.

CUTWORM RESEARCH FUNDED

CONCORD, N.H. — The New Hampshire Golf Course Superintendents Association will attack the black cutworm, a serious pest on golf course greens.

The association's board of directors recently approved a proposal by Dr. Stanley Swier for a two-year funding of \$9,500 for research.

Objectives are to determine the feasibility of using pheromone traps to time nematode

applications, to determine the interval between sprays necessary to control cutworms below damaging levels, and to determine if low rates of nematodes applied periodically will control cutworms below damaging levels.

The study site will be mainly at Rochester Country Club.

The board of directors also is considering funding for a comparison study of biostimulants, informally proposed by Dr. John Roberts of the University of New Hampshire.

The study would compare materials such as Roots, Astron 5000, Panasea, soluble seaweed extract, Ringers and Sustain."

The work would be conducted on a golf course fairway and would cost about \$2,100.

North Central



HAGCSA AIRING GOLF SPOTS

The Heart of America Golf Course Superintendent's Association is airing radio and television spots to demonstrate the positive aspects that golf courses have on the environment.

With the help of GCSAA's 30-second commercial "Golf from Our Point of View," the Public Relations and Communications Committee had scheduled commercials with five cable companies covering approximately a 150-mile radius around Kansas City.

To counter negative criticism golf courses have received concerning the environment, the advertisements will also appear in a monthly magazine distributed free in approximately 100 golf courses. The magazine has a monthly feature called

the "Superintendent's Corner" where the superintendents write articles concerning turf management, so that golfers can understand why and how golf courses are maintained.

One of the advertisements will be in the Children's Mercy Golf Classic program, a charity event featuring Tom Watson, founder and host of the event. Watson has invited Lee Trevino, Paul Azinger and Fred Couples to join him for an 18-hole exhibition on June 18 in Kansas City.

HAGCSA is also airing an environmental commercial on radio during the Senior PGA Tour stop in Kansas City in June. HAGCSA will assist the local section of the PGA with the Tom Watson Club for Kids, an event that promotes junior golf.

To improve press relations, HAGCSA has invited local sports directors from the three network television stations and the local newspaper to its annual scholarship and research tournament for Kansas State University and the University of Missouri's turfgrass programs. If this is a success, officials say they will host a media golf event next year.

Last Christmas, HAGCSA sponsored a Christmas tree at the Festival of Trees, a charity event that raises money for Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. After the festival, HAGCSA donated the tree to the Salvation Army Children's Shelter, took a collection at their annual meeting and raised several hundred dollars for the children. Plans are now being made for Christmas 1991.

MCGONIGAL RETIRES

Louis McGonigal recently retired after 31 years as head greenkeeper at Macktown (Ill.) Golf Course. He was succeeded by Pat Nolan, a Boylan High School and Kishwaukee graduate who was McGonigal's assistant for eight years.

Mark Eucker is the new assistant.

KIENTZLE CERTIFIED

Thomas M. Kientzle, superintendent of The Pines golf course at Grand View Lodge near Brainerd, Minn., since 1984, has earned certification from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America.

Southeast

NEW CHAPTER IN FLORIDA

Al Ellis, superintendent of Seven Rivers Country Club in Crystal River, Fla., is the membership chairman of the new Seven Rivers chapter.

Seven Rivers will serve the area north of the West Coast chapter and south of the Big Bend chapter. It will draw members principally from Alachua, Citrus, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hernando, Lake, Levy, Marion, Pasco and Sumpter counties.

While the affiliate will take some members from the North Florida, Central Florida and West Coast chapters, it will bring new members into the participation process and reduce travel time for some members who previously drove great distances to attend meetings.

Area superintendents may contact Ellis at 904-795-6665 or P.O. Box 1146, Crystal River, Fla. 32629.

SPORTS TURF INSTITUTE SET

CLEMSON, S.C. — The Sports Turf Managers Association and its South Carolina chapter, in cooperation with Clemson University, will host a sports turf institute at the university, June 12-13.

The institute focuses on athletic field weed and insect control, drainage and maintenance. It also includes a problem-solving seminar that offers practical solutions for low-budget athletic field maintenance.

Speakers include Dr. Euwell Coats, Mississippi State University; Dr. John King, University of Arkansas; Dr. Bob Carrow, University of Georgia; Dr. Bert McCarty, University of Florida, and Drs. Clyde Gorsuch and Bruce Martin, Clemson University.

A special seminar with sports turf managers is planned June 13, with a tour of Clemson turfgrass research plots and sports facilities.

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