Golf Course News adds to Advisory Board

Patty Knaggs, CGCS, head su-

perintendent at Hazeltine National

Golf Club in Chaska, Minn., has

joined the Golf Course News Advi-

sory Board. At 38, Knaggs has al-

ready managed golf course opera-

tions at two of the nation's top clubs:

Hazeltine, site of two U.S. Opens, the

most recent being 1991; and

Westchester Country Club, host to

the PGA Tour's Buick Classic.

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Kevin Ross, Patty Knaggs, Raymond Davies

and Roger Maxwell join GCN team

Golf Course News has added four respected members of the golf course industry to its Editorial Advisory Board, joining superintendents Tim Hiers and Kevin Downing, architect Dr. Michael Hurdzan, consultant James McLoughlin, and builder Brent Wadsworth.

Brief biographies of each new addition appear below.

Golf Course News created the Advisory Board to advise editorial staff on golf course subjects of a technical nature.

Raymond Davies, one of the best-known golf course managers on the West Coast, has joined the Golf Course News Editorial Advisory Board.

The head superintendent at Virginia Country Club in Long Beach, Calif., since 1987, Davies has spoken extensively at national and state golf association, indus-

try and government seminars. His articles have appeared in the United States Golf Association Green Section Record, California Fairways and Western Turf Management. Davies is president

and a director of the Raymond Davies Southern California

Turfgrass Council and past president of both the California and Southern California Golf Course Superintendents Associations

Prior to Virginia Country Club, Davies was head superintendent at Candlewood Country Club in Whittier, Calif., and assistant superintendent at Hacienda Golf Club in La Habra Heights, Calif.

Davies graduated from California Polytechnic University in 1984 with a bachelor's degree in ornamental horticulture and minor in small business management.

He is a Certified Golf Course Superintendent and possesses a Qualified Applicator Certificate as well as Pest Control Advisor License in California.





Chatham, Patty Knaggs Mass., before

landing her first assistant's position at Echo Lake Country Club in Westfield, N.J.

She also served as assistant superintendent at The Country Club in Brookline, Mass., where she worked with architect Rees Jones on a thorough renovation prior to the 1988 U.S. Open. She moved to Westchester in 1989 and Hazeltine three years later.

An experienced public speaker she will speak at the Penn State and Iowa State turf conferences this winter — Knaggs is a member of the national, Minnesota, Iowa, Metropolitan (N.Y.), New England and New Jersey superintendent associations.

Kevin Ross, superintendent at Falmouth (Maine) Country Club, has joined Golf Course News as an editorial advisor.

A certified golf course superintendent, the 34-year-old Ross is an instructor of turfgrass science at Southern Maine Technical College. He was president of the Maine Golf Course Superintendents Association in 1988 and 1989 and received its Distinguished Service Award in 1991.

A Maine GCSA board member for eight years and editor of its Mainely Green newsletter, Ross also belongs to the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America and GCSA of

New England. Kevin Ross

The Stonington, Conn., native attained an associate of science degree from the University of Maine in 1978, and a two-year turfgrass degree from Penn State University in 1981. After a three-year stint as assistant superintendent at Augusta (Maine) Country Club, Ross worked as head superintendent at Newton (Iowa) CC. then Martindale CC in Auburn, Maine, before joining the private Falmouth CC during its construction in 1987.

He is a member of the Turfgrass Advisory Committee for Seed Research of Oregon.

Ross's father, Wendell, a PGA professional in Stonington, built two golf courses. in the 1950s in Connecticut - Stonington Manor, which does not exist today, and Pequot CC in Stonington. So Kevin started mowing greens when he was 8, and was working 40 hours a week on a golf course when he was 12.

He and his wife Karen have one daughter, Abigail, 3.

Roger Maxwell, a 31-year veteran of the golf industry, has joined the Golf Course News Advisory Board. Voted one of the 36 most powerful individuals in golf by Golf Digest (1991), he retired in July from his post as vice president of Marriott Golf to pursue other avenues in the golf industry.

While at Marriott, he was responsible for the development and growth of the company's 23 U.S. golf facilities, which grossed more than \$65 million annually.

Maxwell first joined Marriott in 1972 as head professional of the company's Camelback Golf Club in Scottsdale. Ariz. In 1976, he became di-



rector of golf for Marriott Hotels and Resorts, a position he occupied until being named vice president in 1987.

An Oklahoma State graduate and accomplished golfer, Maxwell held assistant and head professional posts early in his career at Lincoln Park Golf Club in Oklahoma City, The Bel Air Country Club in Los Angeles and Pinetop (Ariz.) Country Club.

Maxwell has been affiliated with numerous PGA chapters and committees, GolfDigest's Top 100 Course Selection Committee, National Golf Course Owners Association Advisory Board and International Golf Partners Clubs Advisory Board.

Among the awards and honors that have come his way are recognition as a Golf Entrepreneur of the Year by Golf Shop Operations (1990) magazine; Top Director of Golf by Executive Golfer Magazine (1987); and PGA's national Resort Manager of the Year (1978).



