

AGC's Holt wins Leo Feser Award

SAN FRANCISCO — Pat Holt, director of maintenance of American Golf Corp. for the Eastern United States, has been presented the 1995 Leo Feser Award from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA).

Holt, a certified golf course superintendent, won the award for his article, "Team-building fosters success," which was published in the May 1994 issue of GCSAA's Golf Course Management magazine.

The award was presented at the GCSAA International Golf Course Conference and Show here.

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it. They do not go through the trouble of claiming it as income for anyone. It is the club's basic decision whether it wants the superintendent to claim the use of the vehicle as income.

Some courses have their superintendents sign a letter stating they will not use it for any personal purpose, and will also stipulate that they often will have to return to the course after normal business hours and on days off, which would alter the vehicle's mileage.

Turn time-burner into money-saver

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that keep coffee warm forever and drive off to work. No waiting around.

"Multiply the time saved by 15 to 20 people, times our seven-month season," he said. "Figure it out. It's a huge savings — and all for \$30."

In the meantime, Ross' mechanic has cut lengths of 4-inch-diameter PVC pipe and riveted them to the crew's utility vehicles. He even cut a groove, lengthwise, in the pipe to accommodate the handles of the mugs.

The grounds crew's entire coffee klatch has been turned upside down into a positive influence on Ross' operation. Coffee grounds are added to the club's compost pile. Indeed, they don't even have to pay for the coffee. Soda cans gleaned from around the course pay for the coffee — and more.

"We get \$150 a month from cans," Ross said. "The guys gather them from around the course, and a fellow even comes here, bags them and pays us for them. We get enough money to pay for the coffee, plus crew picnics and outings."

Ross also said the 48-cup percolator has lowered the "frustration level" of finding the pot empty when a crew member drives by for a quick refill.



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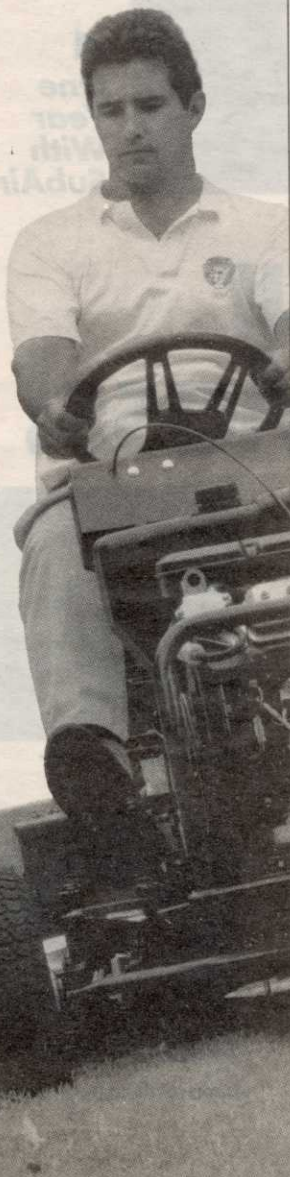
Michael Pock, left, superintendent of Grayhawk Golf Club in Scottsdale, Ariz., and Del Cochran, captain of the club, inspect the construction site from horseback of the 14th tee on Raptor, Grayhawk's new course designed by Tom Fazio. Pock picked up the horseback habit from his grandfather, who built Phoenix's Arizona Country Club in the mid-1940s. Pock said his horses enable him to get a better look at the construction site, and "they don't mind the dust and rough terrain as much as my pickup."

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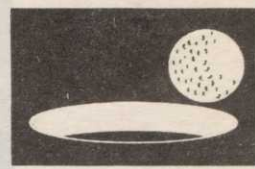
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