

Rackliffe Conn.'s Super of the Year

LEBANON, Conn. — Steve Rackliffe of Willimantic Country Club here has been named Superintendent of the Year by the Connecticut Association of Golf Course Superintendents (CAGCS).



Steve Rackliffe

Saying the CAGCS was proud to present its highest honor to Rackliffe, new President Peter R. Pierson said, "Steve truly lives up to the CAGCS motto: Devoted to sharing knowledge and experience for better turf."

Since Rackliffe joined Willimantic CC in 1982, it has become one of the area's top courses.

Rackliffe was the association president in 1992 and has served on its board of directors. He holds a bachelor's degree in plant and soil sciences and a master's degree from the University of Massachusetts.

Pierson, of Pequabuck Golf Course in Cromwell, meanwhile, was elected to succeed Past President John Streeter of Woodbridge (Conn.) Country Club. He joined a new executive board of directors along with Vice President Phil Neaton of Black Hall Club in Old Lyme, Secretary John Napieracz of Stanley Golf Course in New Britain, and Treasurer Heather Garvin of Canton (Conn.) Golf Course.

Directors are Scott Gennings of Wallingford (Conn.) Country Club, Jud Smith of Orange Hills Country Club of Orange, Brian Skelly of Old Lyme (Conn.) Country Club.

Also, Anthony Grosso of Pautipaug Country Club of Baltic, John Motycka of Skungamaug River Golf Course of Coventry, Jeff Rogers of Baker's Nursery and Greg Stent of Wampanoag Country Club in Bloomfield, who is also public relations director.

Handling traffic

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to keep turf alive, Otis said, are those where a cart path stops. He downplayed the helpfulness of plastic "grass cells," saying: "I've never seen grass cells work. Grass dies. Someone catches a spike on it [plastic cells], and you're in trouble."

He said Dr. Trey Rogers of Michigan State University has found that using a mulched tire product as a soil amendment reduces traffic damage, as do Netlawn fibers

"It might be worth a try, experimenting in a few selective areas," he said.

Heritage Park's Liberti heads NYTA

The New York State Turfgrass Association has elected a new president — John Liburdi Jr., head grounds manager at Heritage Park in Loudonville. Liburdi, who succeeded Michael Maffei of Back O'Beyond in Brewster, is serving along with new Vice President Stephen Smith of P.I.E. Supply Co. in Thompsonville, and Secretary-Treasurer Anthony

Peca Jr. of Batavia Turf Farms in Batavia.

Three candidates were elected to the board of directors. They are Karl Olson of National Golf Links in Southampton, Fran Berdine of O.M. Scotts Co. in Pine Bush and Bob Scott of DowElanco, Springfield, N.J.

Other members serving as directors are John Fik, Steve Griffen, James Hornung, John Rizza and Joseph Hahn.

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