

Dr. Rossi heads Maine contingent

ROCKPORT, Maine — Talks by Dr. Frank Rossi of Cornell University and Golf Course Mechanics Association President Brian Alfond will highlight the 1997 Maine Turfgrass Conference and Show at the Samoset Resort here, March 5-7.

Following a full-day session on "Calibration and Safety of Pesticide Application" on March 5, Rossi will speak on "Enhancing Freezing Stress Tolerance with Plant Growth Regulators" and "Selecting and Establishing Bentgrasses."

Alfond will appear with others to lead a full day of sessions for mechanics on March 6.

Q&A Niemczyk

Continued from page 19

products that are coming onto the market in the next few years?

HN: There's an interesting family of treatments called the biorationals. One is a toxin produced by a bacteria called *Bacillus thuringiensis* (Bt). Micogen produces a product called M-Press. It isn't registered yet, but it seems to work well on some grubs.

RhoMid has a product called Mach 2 that is supposed to be registered in January. It is a molt-accelerating compound called halo fenozide that speeds up the molting process causing the insect to die. American Cyanamid and Rohm & Haas have formed a joint company called RhoMid to market the product. It controls grubs, but is also effective on sod webworms, cutworms and billbugs. It is encouraging that we can target pests and not harm earthworms, mammals and other beneficial organisms.

DowElanco has a fermentation product called CONSERVE that it will market soon. It is effective against cutworms and other grass leaf-eating insects.

We've known for some time that an extract from the nut of the neem tree that grows in India and Burma has insecticide qualities. It also provides cutworm control by disrupting the molting process. Scotts markets such a product called Turplex that works well when the label is followed.

Leslie comment

Continued from page 16

But I sure do admire him for the 5 Ws of this enterprise of his. He struck out to play the game he loved and found a prize greater than the game. He never made a dime on Whispering Rattlesnakes... never intended to... it was simply a chore of love. I hope he finds another. There is another back 40 somewhere that could use that kind of caretaker.

Have you got one?

GOLF COURSE NEWS

Connecticut superintendents elect Napier, others

WOODBIDGE, Conn. — At its annual meeting, the 300-member Connecticut Association of Golf Course Superintendents elected John Napier of the Stanley Golf Course in New Britain, president for 1997.

Vice president is Anthony Grosso of Pautipaug Country Club in Baltic, while Brian Skelly of Old Lyme Country Club is serving as secretary and Peter Pierson of

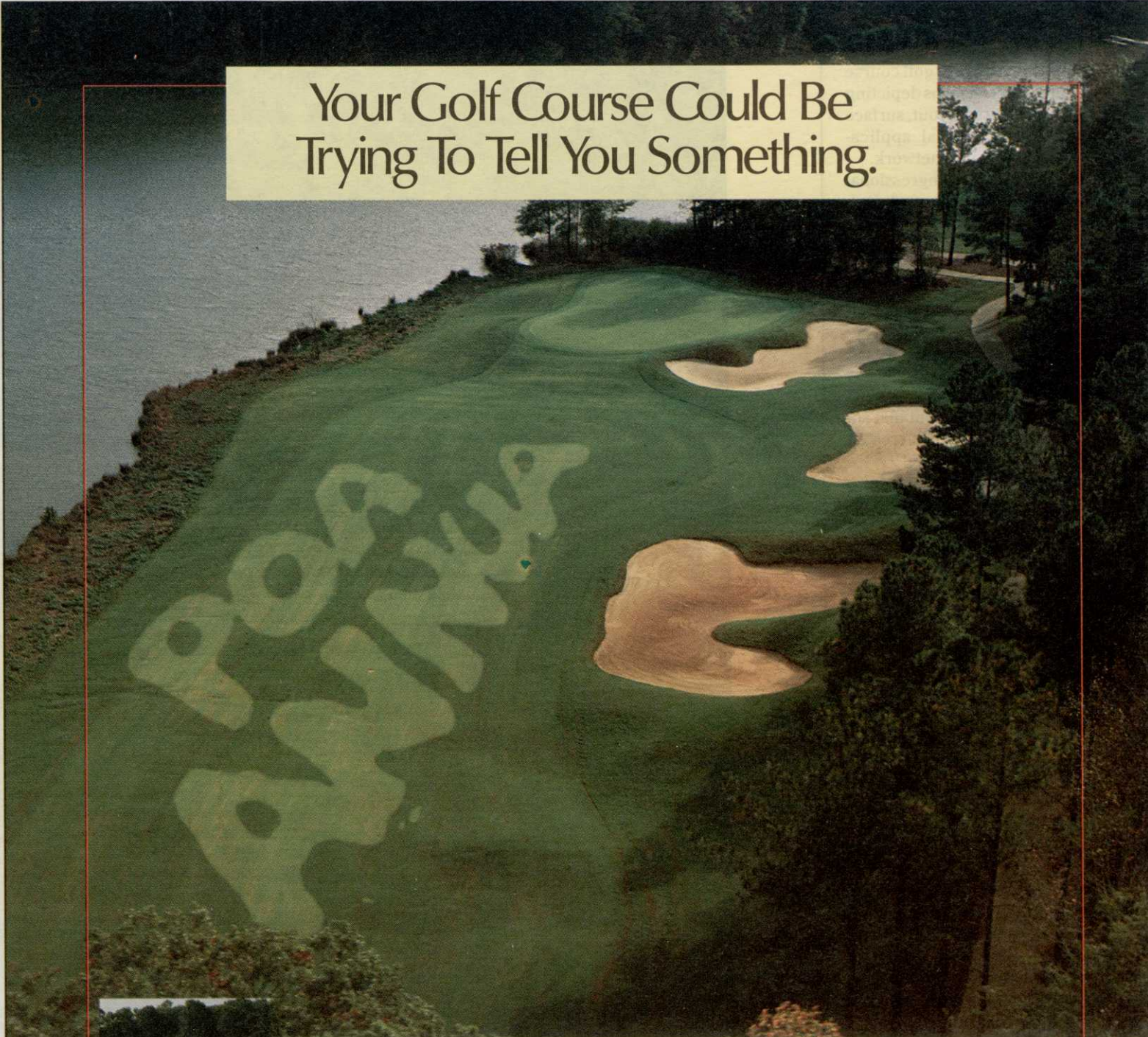
Pequabuck Golf Club is the association's new treasurer.

Elected as directors to serve two-year terms were: Dennis Houle of Redding Country Club; Les Kennedy Jr. of The Country Club of Waterbury; and John Motycke of Skungamaug River Golf Club in Coventry.

Continuing to serve on the board of directors are Greg Bradley of Farmington

Woods Country Club in Avon; Scott Gennings of Wallingford Country Club; and Jud Smith of Orange Hills Country Club in Orange.

Philip Neaton of Black Hall Club in Old Lyme will continue to serve on the board as immediate past president. Owen Regan of Tee & Green Sod, Inc. was voted to serve as commercial representative to the board.



Your Golf Course Could Be
Trying To Tell You Something.



It needs PROGRASS® Herbicide. PROGRASS is the surest way to get *Poa annua* (Annual bluegrass) out of your turf and keep it out.

By attacking *Poa annua* (and 12 other weeds) with both preemergence and postemergence control, PROGRASS lets you design a control program that fits your particular situation best:

complete renovation, gradual conversion or preventive maintenance. Properly managed, PROGRASS protects ryegrass, Kentucky bluegrass, creeping bentgrass, tall fescue, and even dormant Bermudagrass overseeded with rye, from *Poa annua* infestations.

Even if *Poa* has a grip on your course, it's never too late for PROGRASS. But it's never too soon, either.

Prograss EC
HERBICIDE

 **AgrEvo**
A company of Hoechst and NOR-AM

Read and follow label directions carefully. AgrEvo USA Company, Wilmington, DE 19808 © 1996

CIRCLE #126/GCSAA BOOTH #1522