

Pritchard returns to La Quinta

LA QUINTA, Calif. - Jeff Pritchard, former superintendent for PGA West, La Quinta Hotel Golf & Tennis Resort and Scottsdale's Desert Mountain, has been named course superintendent for Rancho La Quinta Country Club, according to Vice President/Project Manager Tom Cullinan.



Pritchard, a certified golf course superintendent, has more than 25 years of experience, most recently as superintendent for Paragon Golf Construction, a division of Golden Bear, Inc., based in North Palm Beach, Fla. Prior to that, he was director of agronomy and maintenance for Desert Mountain Properties in Scottsdale. He earned a bachelor's degree in agronomic crop science from Oregon State University.

ALPHARETTA, Ga. -

Alpharetta Country Club has WHERE I hired Pat Stewart as its superintendent. Stewart left his post at Lanier

Golf Club in Cumming. Also in Georgia:

· Bob Flanagan has moved from Jacksonville (Fla.) Golf & Country Club to the head superintendent's position at Stone

· Brian Schutte, former assistant superintendent at the Golf Club of Miami, has been hired as superintendent at Pine Oaks Golf Club in Warner Robins.

Bridge G&CC in Albany. · Perry CC has promoted

Paul Carroll from assistant to

head superintendent, while

Harbor Club in Greensboro

promoted Tom Amason.

· Steve Walsh is the new superintendent at the Golf Club of Macon, having left an assistantship at Innsbruck Golf Club.

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science and management," said D.E. Aldous of the University of Melbourne in Victoria.

Aldous told ITS members that degree and diploma courses in turf management have long been offered at universities, polytechnics and colleges in the U.S., Britain, Australia and New Zealand, while there is a tradition of turf management training in South Africa, Switzerland, Germany, France, Japan and Sweden.

Turf programs are now being developed in Singapore, China and Malaysia, he said.

Viewed on a per-capita basis, Aldous said countries such as New Zealand were found to be training five times as many horticulturists at the degree and diploma level as Australia, where horticulture represents a smaller proportion of the country's rural gross national product. Figures suggest that in the United States, the proportion may be as high as eight times the Australian level, he added.

The survey also reflected that the American programs emphasize turf in higher education, whereas Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom place greater emphasis on diploma and vocational training.

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learn to manage greens with a lower percentage of inert sands and a larger component of organic matter-hopefully, seething with microbial antagonists," he said.

Wong pointed to the need for further research to evaluate Brassica and other plant residues for pest and disease control. He said. for instance, that fungicidal concentrations of ITCs vary for different fungi and little is known about the effects of water-soluble non-ITC compounds which have been shown to suppress nematodes.

"In the longer term," Wong said, "it may be possible to breed Brassica cultivars with high concentrations of various GSLs to target specific pathogens."

At the present state of knowledge, however, he suggested a "shotgun approach" in using Brassica cultivars to suppress as many pests and pathogens as possible.



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