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Carling Open Announces Unique Bonus Plan

Any past winner of the Carling Open tournament who repeats his victory in the 1957 event will win an added \$5,000 in prize money and \$10,000 if he wins it a third time. This unique bonus has been added to the \$37,000 prize money for the tournament which will be staged this year at Flint (Mich.) Country Club, June 20-23.

Currently eligible for the \$5,000 added prize as possible two-time winners of the Carling Open are Cary Middlecoff, Julius Boros, Doug Ford and Dow Finsterwald. If any of these four win the 1957 tournament, he'll have to wait until 1958 before getting a crack at the \$10,000 bonus.

Pool Pointers



How Proper Care Lengthens Life of Diving Board

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SWIMMING pools are attracting increasing attendance at country clubs. In fact, the popularity of swimming pools has been reflected in the heavy usage received by diving boards and other accessories.

Diving board replacement has become no small problem. As a result there has been a swing from the wooden board to the more durable aluminum unit. One of the popular products is the Jim Patterson Lifetime Aluminum diving board, distributed by American Playground Device Co.

Correct installation and maintenance are important even with the aluminum board. If the following instructions are followed, there is no reason why the board should not last indefinitely:

1. Mount the aluminum board on a level, sturdy frame.
2. Make sure that the fulcrum is covered solidly with at least $\frac{1}{2}$ in. of rubber, the full width of the board. The board should never ride part on — part off the fulcrum. At no time should it rub against steel or wood or other hard materials.

Fulcrum Distances

3. The recommended fulcrum distances for ordinary usage are as follows:

16 ft. board — place fulcrum from 72 ins. to 84 ins. from rear anchorage

14 ft. board — place fulcrum from 60 ins. to 76 ins. from rear anchorage.

4. The board has been drilled at the rear with two $\frac{3}{8}$ in. diameter holes, spaced 12 in. about the center line. If your frame doesn't match, it is best to drill new matching holes in the frame because the holes in the board are jig drilled and are square. Should it be necessary to drill new holes in the board leave at least $\frac{3}{4}$ in. edge distance between old and new holes.

5. Rear mounting has been designed to eliminate the customary rear strap. Electrolysis between steel and aluminum can set up considerable corrosion, and for this reason it is best not to have the steel strap next to the board. If available, a thin strip of rubber between board and rear anchorage will completely eliminate this and also reduce noise.

6. Mount the board with very little pitch. Most standards are built with about $\frac{1}{4}$ in. to the foot pitch, but this is to compensate for expected droop of wooden boards. It may be necessary to shim with wooden strips and get slightly longer galvanized bolts.

7. Lifetime Aluminum diving board has been thoroughly anodized and waxed to protect against corrosion. Occasional cleaning and waxing will maintain aluminum finish. Action of chlorine on aluminum produces a chloride and a black oxidized powder. If the underside of the board shows evidence of this discoloration, do not be alarmed as it won't affect the structure of the board. It is best to clean the board with Simonize or other good cleaner and apply wax occasionally as the discoloration will be progressively harder to remove.

8. Care should be taken in mounting and removing the board so as not to scratch it.

9. At the end of the season, remove the board and store it right side up, with 2 x 4's underneath at either end. Remove all discoloration, apply a coat of clear lacquer and wax when dry.

South Hills "Work-a-Ree" Puts Club in Shape for '57

A mass cleanup job in which 75 members put in more than 600 hours of work put South Hills Club, Fond du Lac, Wis. in condition for play this spring. Armed



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with all kinds of equipment for putting both course and clubhouse in sparkling shape, the South Hills members painted everything in sight, dug post holes, removed tree stumps, resurfaced driveways and the parking lot, cleared a picnic and caddy area and performed at least 100 other jobs that usually aren't taken care of until after the season is under way.

The cleanup day, designated a "Work-a-Ree," was the brainchild of Gordon Elliott, green chmn., who organized the work force and with the aid of Supt. Elmer Burleton and Norm Cameron, South Hills pro, directed its activities. Nearly 20 pieces of tractor equipment were loaned to the club by various Fond du Lac dealers to aid in the cleanup job. A barbecue lunch served at noon by members' wives gave the toilers enough strength to carry on until nightfall.