

HAWAII CUP OFFERS PROS FREE ISLAND HOLIDAY

DALLAS—Country Clubs of America is conducting the Hawaii Cup Invitational Golf Championship—a new competition that provides country club members with a good “excuse” for an exciting golf holiday and offers a free trip to professionals who can get a nine-member team together from their clubs.

According to Ross Teter, executive director of Country Clubs of America and former executive secretary of the Tournament Players Division, Hawaii Cup invitations have been extended to selected country clubs through the United States.

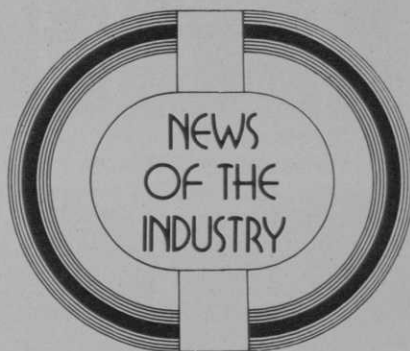
Under the format a club professional who signs up nine members at his club receives an expense-paid trip to Hawaii with his members to compete in the tournament.

“The tournament is sponsored by American, Braniff and Western airlines,” Teter says. “Country Clubs of America handles all arrangements, including sightseeing, meals, all accommodations and side trips for wives.”

Clubs that accept invitations to compete will be represented by a team of 10 members, one of whom can be the club professional or assistant professional. The first tournament, held April 24, had over 200 participants. All professionals begin play at scratch, and amateur team members are allowed their full handicaps. Each tournament matches 10 teams on three of Hawaii's outstanding courses: Royal Kananali, Keauhou-Kona and Makaha.

Country Clubs of America is a non-profit association. In addition to Teter, the executive committee is composed of Joe Black, former PGA tournament supervisor and Patrick D. Williams, former PGA director of education.

“The organization was formed for the purpose of enabling golf professionals to offer a better golf program to their club members. For many years the PGA has been conducting a fine tournament program for professionals,” Teter says, “and those organizing this association decided that it was time to do the same thing for the



club members and their home professionals.”

“We hope to someday become to club golfers what the PGA and USGA have become to professional and amateurs who play par golf,” Teter says. “The success of the Hawaii Cup will enable us to finalize our plans for tournaments in Europe, Mexico and other areas. For more information on the Hawaii Cup contact Country Clubs of America, 2877 LBJ Freeway, Suite 116, Dallas, Tex. 75234.



NEW RAM FACILITY DEBUTS
MELROSE PARK, ILL.—*Ram Golf Corp.* has opened a new warehouse, which is located at 320 International Parkway, Arlington, Tex. 76010. It is the company's sixth warehouse in the United States and will service the states of New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas.

NATIONAL GOLF DAY
National Golf Day, which has raised over \$2 million since its inception, will be held May 30 at Canterbury GC in Cleveland. Jack Nicklaus and Lee Trevino, and Kathy Whitworth and Joanne Carner will play 18-hole matches. Last year over 175,000 golfers paid \$1 to “Beat the Pros.” Golfers who compete this year will receive a bagtag with a picture of the four players.

Winners (those with scores lower, including handicap) will receive a specially-colored tag to show that they have emerged victorious. Golf-

ers must play against the professionals during a two-week period before or after May 30. This year, par-three layouts will be eligible for recording your score.

The money raised from National Golf Day is dispersed among 27 different associations for their caddie scholarship programs. For more information contact Larry Null, Professional Golfers' Assn., Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. 33403.

EPA HALTS PESTICIDE SHIPMENTS

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The *Environmental Protection Agency* has banned the immediate inter-state shipment of 19 pesticides registered for predator control. It has also begun a recall of existing stocks.

Included in the ban was thallium sulfate, a rodent poison, and products containing cyanide, strychnine and sodium monofluoroacetate (1080). The action takes these compounds off of the commercial market immediately and paves the way for their permanent cancellation from the Federal government's registration program.

SHAKESPEARE ON BIG BOARD

NEW YORK—Shakespeare Company has been listed on the New York Stock Exchange and will be traded under the ticker symbol SKP, according to Stephen W. Trehwella, Shakespeare president. The company listed 2,479,680 shares of common stock.

Shakespeare, headquartered in Columbia, S.C., manufactures and markets a wide range of sporting goods including fishing, golf, archery and ski equipment. In addition, the company also manufactures automotive controls and industrial fiberglass and monofilament products.

VICTOR SALES UP, EARNINGS DOWN

CHICAGO—*Victor Comptometer Corp.*, parent company of Victor Golf Company, PGA Div., reported a new high in sales for 1971, but a decline in net earnings.

Sales for the year amounted to \$165,941,991, as compared to \$163,282,465 in 1970. Profits from

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operations and before special charges were \$2,488,411, or 43 cents a common share, versus \$4,905,139 or 92 cents a common share in 1970.

Heavy start-up costs and write-offs of Victor's business machines operations were also absorbed last year. The computer division operated at a loss in 1971, but it is hoped to reach a break-even basis by the end of 1972.

The profits of the Recreation Products Group, which includes Victor Golf Company, were substantially above 1970 figures, according to the company.

NOER FOUNDATION ELECTS OFFICERS, BUILDS LIBRARY

CINCINNATI—The *O.J. Noer Research Foundation* has re-elected G.E. Champion, Champion Turf Equipment, president. Also re-elected were Frank Shuman, Philadelphia Toro Company, secretary-treasurer; and C.E. Daugherty, Toro Distributing, Chicago, vice president. John Wistrand, Metro Milorganite, became a new member of the foundation.

It is also reported that the *O.J. Noer Memorial Turfgrass Library* at Michigan State University is continuing to grow. Although not complete, major donations have come from Thomas Mascaro's personal collection of turfgrass conference proceedings and the personal turfgrass library of Dr. James R. Watson. These major contributions have been supplemented by numerous individual publications and books.

All complete volumes, proceedings sets, and books received to date at MSU have been processed, indexed and bound. This portion of the collection is now available for use by turfgrass students and educators at MSU, and is also functioning as a source from which reprints can be obtained through inter-library loan from other libraries throughout the United States.

The directors of the foundation also voted to spend \$10,000 for research during 1972. In-depth studies on thatch at MSU and Texas A & M are currently under way, while winter injury studies are being

completed at MSU.

The *O.J. Noer Research Foundation* is a self-perpetuating tax-exempt foundation established in honor of this nation's pioneering turfgrass agronomist. Proceeds from investments are used each year to support needed turf research and train students at the graduate level.

MISSISSIPPI AWARDS TURF SCHOLARSHIP

ST. JOSEPH, MO.—Raymond Rogers, second from left, is the recipient of the Golf Course Superintendents Assn. scholarship award from the *Mississippi Valley Golf Course Superintendents Assn.* Presenting the award from left are; Ralph Guyer, president of the section; Rogers; Dr. John Nunn, assistant professor of horticulture at the University of Missouri, and Peter Hitch, secretary of the local section.



Rogers is a student and candidate for his masters degree at the University of Missouri. He received the award for his outstanding work in horticulture and agronomy. At the same meeting, Dunn accepted a check for \$500 from the Mississippi section to be used for turfgrass research.

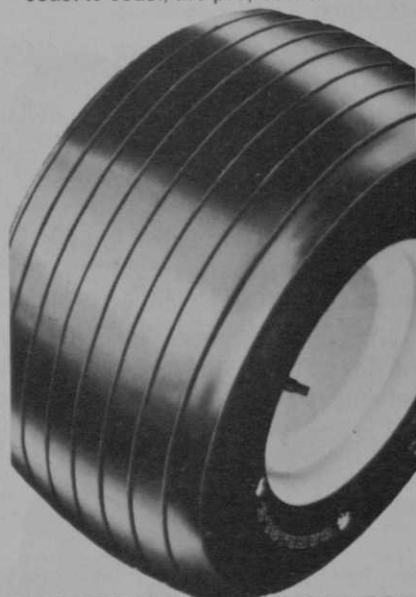
TURF CALCULATOR AVAILABLE

CLEVELAND—*Diamond Shamrock Corp.* has introduced a total turf management calculator to aid golf course superintendents in spotting turf weeds and diseases. The calculator discusses weed and disease appearance, treatment and application. For a free calculator, contact the company, 300 Union Commerce Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio 44115.



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