

## Case Study #2

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system that sucks carbon dioxide and water from underneath the greens, which required his greens both to drain well and to avoid compaction to maximize the system's efficiency.

So Yancey investigated Profile, which is engineered from a blend of minerals, primarily silica and illite clay. The mineral is kiln-fired to protect its stability, and when added to soil it combines the porousness of sand—leading to good drainage—with the retention qualities of clay.

Profile won't decompose to produce the excess organic matter that can lead to thatch, says Mark Fields, gulf region project manager of Profile Products LLC. The product also encourages faster grow-in and creates deep and massive roots.

Fields says Capitol Hill also had the added challenge of producing sand greens that contained two different varieties of grass—bermudagrass and bentgrass. Eighteen holes are bentgrass and 36 holes are bermudagrass. The course had to find a product that would accommodate both species and meet USGA specifications.

### The solution

Working with Profile, Yancey and Sun Belt Construction Co. determined an 85 percent sand to 15 percent Profile mix would work best to create the green complexes they desired.

"It's important to make sure the sand and Profile ra-

tios are exact because you can inadvertently cause the problems you're trying to solve if the ratio is off," Yancey says. "It's a little more expensive than peat supplements, but it doesn't have a lot of the organic problems that peat can create, especially with thatch."

Fields says his company will work closely with a course to determine the right ratios of Profile for the sand it's using. Profile will sometimes recommend a different sand to a course if it would create better greens, he says.

"In some cases, the course doesn't know what's available locally, so it imports sand from halfway across the country," Fields says. "That can drive up construction costs, so sometimes we can save them money with our local contacts.

"We can make any sand better, but it takes some research to find out which ratio will work best for your formulation," he says.

Last year, with just two of the 18-hole configurations open, Capitol Hill did 30,000 rounds of golf, Yancey says. The greens have done everything he hoped they would in resisting the strain of so much play.

"The greens held up well under all the rounds that have been played here, and we believe that the planning that went into their subsoil has a lot to do with that," Yancey says. "The long-term outlook is great." ■

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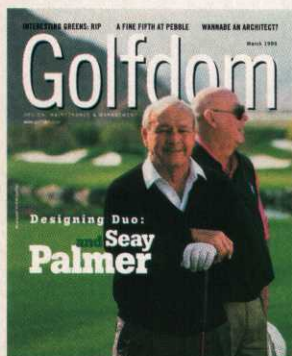
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**Phil Arnold** left his post as executive vice president of the Golf Course Builders Association of America to pursue his golf course photography business full-time.

**Mark Michaud**, who recently resigned as the head agronomist at Pebble Beach Co.'s four courses, has been hired as superintendent of Shinnecock Hills GC in Southampton, N.Y.

Cambridge GC in Evansville, Ind., named **Craig Healey** as superintendent. Healey, currently the president of the Tri-State Golf Course Superintendent's Association, was previously the superintendent at Oak Meadow CC, also in Evansville.

PowersGolf.com appointed three members of its executive team. **Bo Lysyj** is the company's chief information officer; **Mark McCourt** is vice president of sales and marketing; and **John Kurlander** is director of golf course relations.

**Mike Blanchard**, superintendent at Tampa (Fla.) Palms G&CC was the recipient of GSCAA's 2000 Leo Feser Award.

Marysville, Ohio-based The Scotts Co. hired **Eric K. Nelson** as senior scientist to lead its turfgrass breeding efforts at its Oregon field station. Nelson most recently served as a senior technical advisor for Jacklin Golf.

**Jaime Ortiz-Patiño**, owner and president of the Valderrama GC in San Roque, Spain, received the 2000 Donald Ross Award from the American Society of Golf Course Architects.

The Midwest Regional Turf Foundation awarded **Nick Strehle** its \$5,000 Mentor Scholarship. Strehle is a senior enrolled in the Purdue University Turfgrass Science program in its department of agronomy.

**Scott Myers** joined ProShot Golf as vice president of product market-

ing. Myers is the former chief operating officer for PinMark GPS Systems.

The National Golf Course Owners Association presented its 2000 Don Rossi Award to **Curt Walker**, the association's first president.

CordeValle GC named **Jim McPhilomy** as its superintendent. McPhilomy has more than 19 years experience.

Five superintendents from American Golf received Environmental Steward Awards from the GCSAA. **Dave Bermudez**, Mountaingate Country, Los Angeles; **Jerry Bucheit**, Killian CC & Inn, Tallahassee, Fla.; and **Russell Vandehey**, Oregon GC, West Lynn, Ore., won full awards. **Scott Jorgenson**, Spanish Hills G & CC, Camarillo, Calif., and **Rich Coyne** at Tatum Ranch GC in Cave Creek, Ariz., won GCSAA merit awards for environmental stewardship.

**Laurie Honnigford** will handle the 2000 marketing campaign for the Erosion Control Technology Council.

**John Benzel** retired as director of golf from Sedona Golf Resort in Sedona, Ariz.

Arnold Palmer Golf Management promoted **Tim Tierney** to chief operating officer; **Brian Donahue** to director of sales and marketing; and **Sue Gorman** as vice president of retail operations.

Overland Park, Kan.-based architect **Craig Schreiner** has partnered with his senior architect **Todd Clark** and local businessman **David Francis** to build Prairie Highlands GC in Olathe, Kan.

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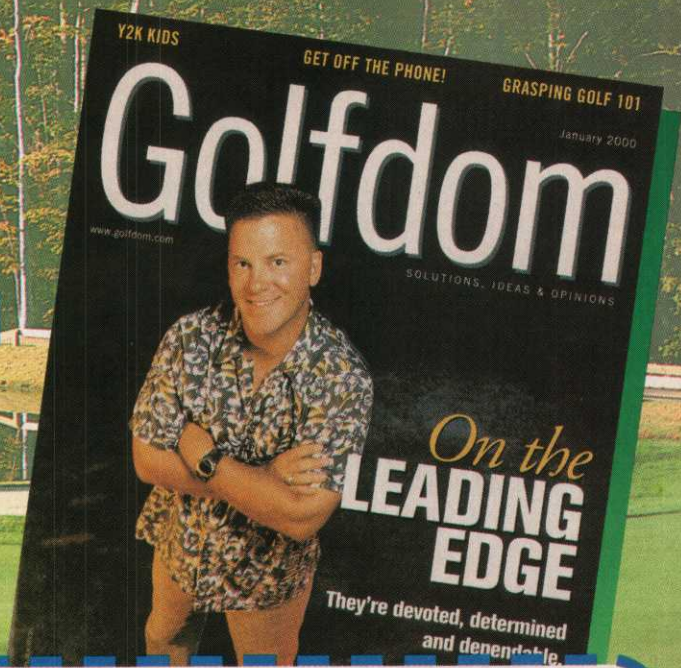


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| 10 <input type="radio"/> Golf Course Superintendent | 45 <input type="radio"/> Club President                                |
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**3. What are the types of turf on your:**

**A. GREENS**

- 1  Bent
- 2  Bermuda
- 3  Rye
- 4  Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**B. TEES**

- 1  Bent
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- 4  Fescue
- 5  Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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**4. What is your facility's annual maintenance budget?**

- |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| A <input type="radio"/> More than \$2 Million   | D <input type="radio"/> \$500,001-\$750,000 | G <input type="radio"/> Less than \$150,000 |
| B <input type="radio"/> \$1,000,001-\$2 Million | E <input type="radio"/> \$300,001-\$500,000 |   |
| C <input type="radio"/> \$750,001-\$1 Million   | F <input type="radio"/> \$150,001-\$300,000 |   |

**5. If you work for a golf course, how many holes are on your course?**

- |                            |  |
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| A <input type="radio"/> 9  | D <input type="radio"/> 36+                          |
| B <input type="radio"/> 18 | E <input type="radio"/> Other (please specify) _____ |
| C <input type="radio"/> 27 |  |

**6. Are you the person responsible for golf car purchasing/leasing?**

- Yes  No

**7. Are you directly involved in purchasing decisions for your facility?**

- Yes  No

**7A. If yes, which of these products do you specify, buy or approve?**

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| I <input type="radio"/> Drainage Supplies      | X <input type="radio"/> Pumps/Stations     | 13 <input type="radio"/> Turf Markers     |
| J <input type="radio"/> Erosion Control        | Y <input type="radio"/> Rakes              | 14 <input type="radio"/> Uniforms         |
| K <input type="radio"/> Fertilizers            | Z <input type="radio"/> Range Supplies     | 15 <input type="radio"/> Utility Vehicles |
| L <input type="radio"/> Fungicides             | 1 <input type="radio"/> Safety Products    | 16 <input type="radio"/> Weather Systems  |
| M <input type="radio"/> Generators             | 2 <input type="radio"/> Sand               | 17 <input type="radio"/> Wetting Agents   |
| N <input type="radio"/> Golf Cars              | 3 <input type="radio"/> Seed               | 30 <input type="radio"/> ALL OF THE ABOVE |
| O <input type="radio"/> Grinders/Sharpeners    | 4 <input type="radio"/> Snow Equipment     |   |

**8. Do you have Internet Access?**

- Yes  No

**9. If so, how often do you use it?**

- A  Daily B  Weekly C  Monthly D  Occasionally

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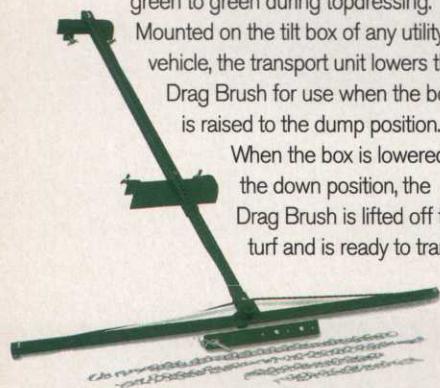
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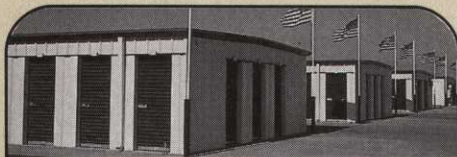
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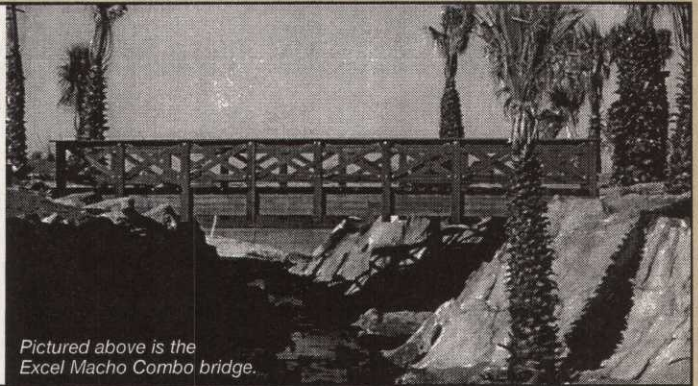
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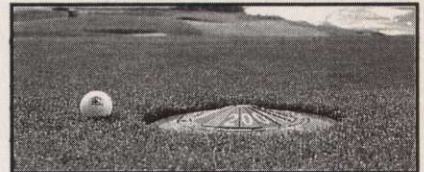
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# sports flicks

**O**n March 26, the Motion Picture Academy of Arts and Sciences will host its 72nd annual Academy Awards. But before the catty pre-show, bad jokes, awful hair, outrageous dresses and acceptance speeches more long-winded than *The Green Mile*, we here at “Out of Bounds” World Headquarters would like to propose our own anti-Oscars — The Best Sports Movies of All Time.

Keep this list handy, 'cause we guarantee any of these will beat the hell out of *The Talented Mr. Ripley*.

So without further adieu and knowing we're going to anger some of you, here are the best sports movies of all time:

10. *Hoosiers* — Yes, Jimmy Chitwood, the basket is still 10 feet tall, and this classic featuring Hackman and Hopper can't help but make you root for the little guy.

9. *The Longest Yard* — Burt Reynolds didn't yet have a toupee when he led a rag-tag bunch of convicts in the big game against the guards.

Violence-tinged hysterics ensue. And the old throw-the-ball-right-in-the-privates scene late in the movie should make you double-over in laughter and familiarity every time.

8. *Pride of the Yankees* — If you don't get a chill when Gary Cooper says he's the luckiest man alive, perhaps you need to seek help.

7. *When We Were Kings* — One of the two documentaries that made the final cut. This look at Ali's and Foreman's Rumble in the Jungle, certainly one of the top 10 fights ever, is fascinating even to folks who don't like boxing.

6. *Bull Durham* — Susan Sarandon,

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Tim Robbins and Kevin Costner make this wacky look at the minor leagues both poignant and hilarious.

5. *Slap Shot* — The Hanson Brothers hijinks alone make this hip-checking Paul Newman comedy worthy of such a high place on the list.

4. *Rocky* — Yo! Adrienne! This sleeper hit of 1976 put Stallone on the map and marks one of the times that the Academy actually got something right. Sure, Rocky III through V were drivel, but the original is a knockout.

3. *Caddyshack* — Shameless pandering to superintendents, right? Hey, I'm no dummy. But it's hard to beat the Cinderella story of Bill Murray's Carl Spackler, the greenskeeper who blasts his varmints and grows his own grass. Toss in Rodney D. and his epic golf bag, Chevy Chase when he was still talented and Ted Knight's sailor outfit and you have the funniest sports movie ever.

2. *Raging Bull* — We all know DeNiro went on an eating tear to gain 60 pounds to play Jake LaMotta. We all know that Scorsese got completely dissed in the Best Picture category at the Academy Awards (it went to *Ordinary People*). And we all should know that the gritty realism, beautifully brutal fight sequences and stark black-and-white cinematography make this film a



masterpiece.

1. *Hoop Dreams* — This powerful documentary about Arthur Agee and William Gates, two high-school hoops phenoms in inner-city Chicago, was robbed at the Academy Awards in 1994. It depicts how difficult it is to succeed both on and off the court.

All of the following were in contention for the top honors, and although they didn't make it, they are all, in their own ways, great sports movies:

*The Bad News Bears, Bang the Drum Slowly, Chariots of Fire, Eight Men Out, Field of Dreams, The Hustler* (yes, we consider billiards a sport), *A League of Their Own, The Loneliness of a Long Distance Runner, Major League, North Dallas Forty, Requiem for a Heavyweight* and *Running Brave*.

The Hall of Shame: These films should be avoided at all costs: *Gus* (the field-goal kicking mule), *The Babe Ruth Story, The Babe, Cobb, The Fish That Saved Pittsburgh, Hot Dog: The Movie, Ice Castles* and *One on One*.

Until next time, enjoy the movies. And keep the hate mail short.

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