

LAKE ARROWHEAD HOLDS ITS FIRST WGCSA MEETING

Jeff Parks, Golf Course Superintendent, and Dave Helke, Assistant Superintendent, had 90 players respond for golf and well over 100 for dinner at the WGCSA meeting on August 12th. Heavy morning rains only delayed the start of the golf event a half hour and many of Jeff's colleagues were truly amazed at how well the golf course drained. Those members from very eastern parts of Wisconsin who work with heavy pink and red clay soil were particularly impressed (and envious!) at the capacity of the sand and sandy loam soil of Lake Arrowhead to move water away quickly. Jeff reports that the maximum amount of time the course has ever been closed is four hours. The turbulent weather sent everyone to the lower level of the clubhouse briefly after dinner until a tornado warning passed.

Construction of the golf course started in 1980 and Parks arrived at a point where only land clearing and a small amount of rough grading had been done. The front 9 was opened for play in May of 1982 and the back 9 was opened in April of this year. The course, which was designed by Killian and Nugent, has a mixture of Penncross and Seaside bentgrass on tees and fairways. The greens were seeded to Penneagle creeping bentgrass.

Mr. Warren Bidwell was the guest speaker for the evening, presenting a talk on "Turf Around The World." Bidwell, who currently resides in the Chicago area and is affiliated with the Tee-2-Green Corporation (Penncross), had a very successful career as a Golf Course Superintendent. He served the Olympia Fields C.C. from 1959 to 1965 and again from 1978 to 1983. During the years of 1972 to 1978 he managed the golf course at the Congressional C.C. in Washington, D.C. His talk was accompanied by an outstanding set of slides taken during his extensive travel around the world and he gave WGCSA members a rare treat when he shared his experiences.

Scott McIntyre and Bob Manley, representing Century Raid-Aid, made a generous gift of \$300 to the WGCSA raffle program. Winners of the raffle were Carl Dowse, Monroe Miller and Ray Christopherson.

The winners of the golf event were as follows:

Place	Winner(s)	Score
1st	Dick Evenson	67
2nd	Gary Monfre	68
3rd (tie)	Wayne Otto Randy Smith	69
5th (tie)	Tom Kenfield Dale Monloch	70
7th (tie)	Steve Blendell John Gallus Ed Devinger Bill Rodgers	71
11th	Dan Milles	72
12th (tie)	Roger Bell Joe Kessenich	73
14th	Gary Huenerberg Jim Belfield	75
16th (tie)	Joe Kuta Dale Marach Pat Norton	76



Lake Arrowhead Golf Course Superintendent Jeff Parks, PGA pro Greg Johnson and WGCSA arrangements committee member Bruce Schweiger.



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