

# GOLF COURSE DESIGN PRINCIPLES

Reviewed by Randy Smith

On March 12th and 13th, a full roster of 60 persons from the WGCSA and associates from related fields from Wisconsin and neighboring states had the pleasure of attending The Golf Course Design Principles Seminar at the Holiday Inn West in Milwaukee.

This seminar has been presented some 19 times throughout the United States by two very fine gentlemen representing the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (sponsored locally by our WGCSA). The men I speak of are Robert Muir Graves, ASGCA out of Walnut Creek, California and Geoffrey S. Cornish, ASGCA and co-author of the historical reference *The Golf Course* out of Amherst, Massachusetts. Both men are world renowned architects and well versed in golf course design and communication involved in all aspects of this business.

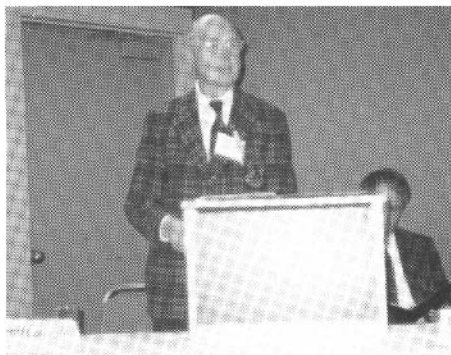
The seminar consisted of lectures on an overview of the complexities of golf course design, history of golf architecture, slides to complement the well organized presentations, actual drawings, topographical maps, blue prints and so on, and of course workshops. (We created our own 18 hole course and detailed one of those holes on an actual site map - without income - but without responsibilities either!)

My impression, if I may, was that this was one of the best presentations that I have attended, but is an example of the fine seminars available through our national organization. The content was valuable and pertinent. The two outstanding teachers are capable of helping us understand the ideal relationships from the design into the construction and onto the time of actual play. Your attention is kept with frequent humor, beautiful slides, well planned materials, and hands-on drawings with "gentle" critique. The test at the end culminates the two-day event. The open discussion atmosphere and genuine interest of the instructors helps us all better understand each of our own part of the architect-superintendent-contractor-member relationship.

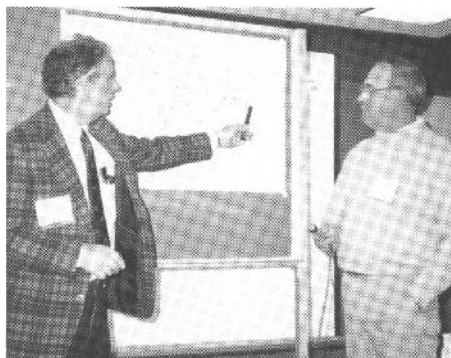
Some of our photographs only depict the setting of the days at the Holiday Inn, and not the quality and content of the sessions. I cannot explain in words

the total image presented to us but can only recommend this seminar to those of you who may not yet have been able to take advantage of it.

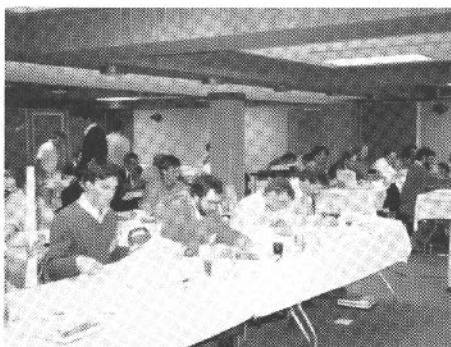
Thank you Mr. Graves and Mr. Cornish.



Geoffrey S. Cornish



Robert M. Graves did a wonderful job of instruction.



Many exciting golf courses were designed during the seminar!



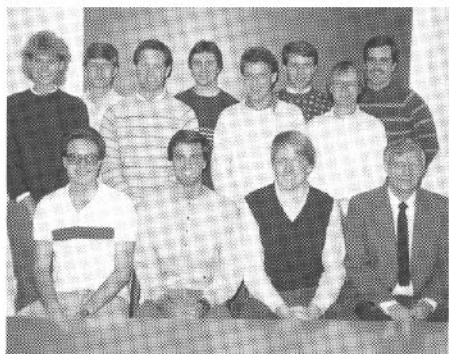
An open and casual atmosphere added to the pleasure of the design seminar.

# TURF STUDENTS FORM CLUB

Traditionally, the turf and grounds management program at UW-Madison has been recognized as a strong and professionally oriented program. Consistent with this tradition, the turf students at UW-Madison have formally organized themselves as the *Badger Turf and Grounds Club*.

The primary purpose of the club is to promote the professional development of students interested in turf management. The club, recognized as an official student organization by the university, will increase the recognition of turfgrass management as a career. Students will have the opportunity to peruse leadership roles and plan activities related to the profession. All interested students enrolled in the college of agriculture and life sciences are eligible for membership.

Presently, the club has thirteen members. Dr. Wayne Kussow, Department of Soil Science, serves as the club's advisor. The officers are: Michael Lee, president; Jeff Pilz, vice president; and Dan Millies, secretary/treasurer.



Seated L to R: Dan Millies, Jeff Pilz, Michael Lee, Professor Wayne Kussow. Standing L to R: Lora Ripp, David Kidd, Roy Janzen, Larry Lennert, Ron McCarthy, Jeff Bahr, Gary Grunke, Mike Lyons. Missing: Todd Monge, Pat Zurawski.

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