

WGCSA RULES OF GOLF SEMINAR HELD

By Pat Zurawski

An 'Intermediate Rules of Golf' Seminar, sponsored by the Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Association, was held at Milwaukee's Pfister Hotel on October 27, 1987. The seminar was conducted by three highly qualified instructors—Gene Haas, Executive Director of the Wisconsin State Golf Association; Paul Becker, Assistant Executive Director of the WSGA; and Jim Farrell, USGA Midwest Regional Manager.

Seventeen individuals attended the seminar. The size of the group was very beneficial as it gave the instructors the time to answer the many and inevitable questions. It is to the credit of Gene, Paul and Jim that they took a potentially bland topic and turned it into one that was not only educational, but very enjoyable as well. Their extensive use of slides and drawings was well received.

This was an important seminar. It may well be that the most important knowledge taken home by the attendees was an awareness of how *little* we actually know about golf's rules, in spite of the fact that many thought they were well versed.

Should you have been there? Take the following quiz and answer that question for yourself. The *correct answers found on page 22!*

Rules Quiz

1. In stroke play, there is a bunker between a player's ball and the hole. The player walks into the bunker and removes a rake which has been stuck in the sand on his line of play. As he walks out of the bunker, he smooths the footprints he made, restoring the line to its original condition.

A. The player incurs a penalty of two strokes.

B. The player has proceeded properly.

2. A player's ball comes to rest touching a mound of pine needles piled for removal. After dropping away under the procedure for ground under repair, he finds that the pile intervenes on his line of play and removes it.

A. The player has proceeded properly.

B. After employing the dropping procedure, the player is not en-

titled to remove the pile because of interference with his line of play.

3. In stroke play, a fellow-competitor marks and lifts a competitor's ball on the putting green without the authority of the competitor.

A. The fellow-competitor incurs a one-stroke penalty for lifting the ball without authority.

B. There is no penalty and the competitor must replace the ball.

C. The fellow-competitor must replace the ball and there is no penalty.

4. In stroke play, a player's ball is on a putting green with casual water intervening between his ball and the hole. In obtaining maximum relief, he

drops the ball off the green into the rough.

A. The player has proceeded properly.

B. The player incurs a two-stroke penalty.

C. The player incurs a one-stroke penalty.

5. In stroke play, two competitors putt simultaneously on a putting green and their balls collide.

A. Each player incurs a penalty of two strokes for striking the other ball.

B. There is no penalty and both putts are replaced.

C. The balls are played from where they came to rest after colliding, with no penalty on either player.

Kussow Honored By UW-Madison CALS

Dr. Wayne R. Kussow, professor of Soil Science at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, was honored recently by the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences. He was selected as the 1987 recipient of the College's "Excellence in Advising" Award. Kussow is the undergraduate advisor for students enrolled in the UW-Madison's Turf and Grounds Management Program.

Long an advocate of an open door policy for his advisees, Wayne has also developed the ability to listen to students and understand what they are saying. Careful listening makes the decisions of what to do and how to help his students much easier. His familiarity and clear understanding of the College's rules and regulations are a real plus for his students.

Kussow works at ensuring his undergraduate advisees in the Turf and Grounds Management Program re-

ceive a well-rounded education. This includes not only classroom instruction but the vocational aspects of the profession as well. He strongly believes that student work experience is essential for Turf and Grounds Management students and insists that they participate in those work areas during the summer months.

An area where Wayne has been especially helpful is that of scholarship. Many of his students have been awarded scholarships as a result of his encouragement and help in application. A key word is "deserving"—he recognizes the difference between financial aid and scholarship. He makes certain that students only receive what they have earned.

Dr. Kussow joined the faculty at the UW-Madison in 1969 and is currently and advisor to the Wisconsin Turfgrass Association.

Congratulations!