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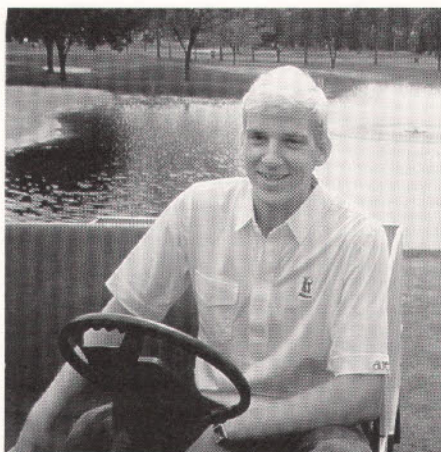
Speaking of golf car traffic, have you noticed the damage being done by the concentrated traffic of maintenance equipment? Some of the wear is in non-play areas, but certainly not all of it.

The traffic problem continues to mount on practice tees, where few golf operations have adequate space. Even fewer can do anything about it except recycle the available area they have. This brings ryegrass to the forefront even though it is no more than temporary turf that will be destroyed in a very short time. The best results have been attained by "using up" strips of turf across the width of the tees before moving play to another strip. The damaged strip is then double aerated and the cores broken up, followed by heavy (15-20 lbs. per 1,000 sq. ft.) seeding and topdressing or just mixing the seed with the soil from the cores. Rolling and fertilizing finish the job. Fungicide treated seed minimize the danger of damping off until a systemic fungicide can be applied — at about the time of the first mowing.

If you want to turn green with envy, just see the creation at St. Andrews Golf Course in Chicago, under the care of John Lapp. Acres of bentgrass and ryegrass/bluegrass plus a 39-mat slab for night use. **Real** greens for targets and real sand in the bunkers. Or look at the Hinsdale Golf Club's bandbox practice area which provides such a wide variety of shots you won't miss using a driver. Bob Maibusch is rightly proud of this unique installation. There are other fine practice ranges throughout the Great Lakes Region but these are tops in their size classes.

A closing thought: If we are to keep bureaucratic regulations off our back, we must make them unnecessary. The way to do this is to stay ahead of the game through safe storage and application of chemicals, employee training and protection and a close look at our own operation as if we were an inspector who had never seen the place before and had not issued enough citations recently.

VLACH AWARDED JAMES R. LOVE SCHOLARSHIP



1989-1990 James R. Love Scholarship winner Tom Vlach.

Tom Vlach, a senior in the Turf and Grounds Management Program at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, has been selected to receive the WGCSA's

James R. Love Scholarship for the 1989-1990 school year.

The scholarship, named to honor Jim Love at his retirement from the faculty in the Soil Science Department, is presented to a student in the program started by Dr. Love in 1959. The selection is made by professors Koval, Kussow, Worf and Newman.

Dear WGCSA members:

I would like to take a moment to thank you for choosing me as your recipient of the James R. Love Turf Scholarship for the academic year of 1989-90. It is your generosity that allows me to attend school. I appreciate your support.

My hope is that your summer was a good one and that this winter will be kinder than the last one.

*Sincerely,
Tom Vlach*

WGCSA MEETS AT CHASKA GOLF COURSE

By Mark Kienert

On what could only be described as an absolutely perfect day in Wisconsin, 62 Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendent Association members toured Appleton's Chaska Golf Course on August 21st. Host golf course superintendent Gordon Waddington has spoiled the public golfer in Appleton by providing an exceptional product upon which to play.

Our golf event winners, using the Calloway System, were:

Mark Kienert	First Place
Dick Evenson	Second Place
Lee-Merkel	Third Place
Dewey Laak	Fourth Place
Dick Seitz	Fifth Place
Steve Blendel	Sixth Place
Gary Sorenson	Seventh Place
Dan Williams	Eighth Place

Event winners for longest putt went to Mark Grundman. Dick Evenson had longest drive. Closest to the pin was won by Dick Seitz and closest to the pin on the second shot went to Bob Stock.

All WGCSA members should thank Gordy and his staff, Manager Stephanie Jack for "directing us duffers" around the course, and course owner Tom Boldt for allowing our association the opportunity. Chaska Golf Course is a very enjoyable place to play golf.

FAIRWAY RENOVATION TAPE NOW AVAILABLE

Many of you know Dr. Randy Kane. He's the Turfgrass Advisor for the Chicago District Golf Association and has been a speaker at our Symposium as well as the GCSAA Conference. He recently sent me a letter describing a VHS format videotape he has made which describes in some detail the process of converting fairways from bluegrass to bentgrass. It is an educational tape entitled "Bentgrass Fairways: Renovation and Management."

Although educational, Dr. Kane tells me the video isn't highly technical or detailed. The target audience includes green committees and club officials. He specifically addresses these topics:

1. reasons for considering fairway renovation
2. methods used in renovation, including the use of Roundup herbicide
3. alterations in fairway management practices necessitated by the conversion to bentgrass

Members of the WGCSA can obtain a copy of the tape by calling 312-954-2180 or by writing:

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The cost is \$20 plus shipping and handling. The running time is approximately 18 minutes.

