



MAKING THE CUT

By Bruce Worzella



They say titles arouse the imagination, so read on and see if this one meant what you think.

It came to mind while driving home from the May meeting at the Country Club of Beloit where Don Ferger was our host. I've known Don for approximately 15 years and I have always admired him for his enjoyment of the profession and his easy going outlook. He has been a gracious sponsor of three WGCSA monthly meetings in the past 12 years. If I can recall correctly, they have always been during our "busy times." This did not matter to Donny; many times he's said: "Take me the way I am, I do the best I can."

This brings me to my title. Many golfers, whether they are professionals on tour or just amateurs, enter into

numerous tournaments. Costs vary from as little as twenty dollars to thousands. They try to do their best to compete and to make that final cut. They prepare in advance so they are mentally and physically ready. They make sure they have their swing groomed, rain gear packed, and wife or employer convinced that this is the most important thing to them at this time. They're ready.

What do these people do or have that we do not? Time, staff, expertise in delegation—you name it—because I am guilty of these excuses also. Golf course superintendents owe it not only to themselves, but to our peers as well. These friends have not worried what time of the year it is or if the course is going to be in perfect condition. Rather they graciously offer their golf courses

and facilities to us. We owe them our respect by our presence.

Also, your WGCSA committee Chairmen prepare golf arrangements, meal accommodations and educational sessions so that all of us can enjoy the day. We owe them for their time and commitment.

I am not being critical of what you should do or not, but as professionals and best of friends, we owe our hosts consideration for their efforts as meeting hosts.

We have no pressure of "making the cut", so let us be better prepared, so we can try to attend more meetings and show respect for all the extra efforts put forth.

I thank you all.

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