

## WHO'S GOT ONE?

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It has hardly been a secret that Marc Davison is a smart and capable young man. A tour of the Blackwolf Run courses will confirm that.

Last January, lots of people recognized just how sharp Marc is during his lecture at the Wisconsin Turfgrass Association Winter Conference. His subject was neither grass nor golf.

He talked about computers. The lecture was really well received and impressed nearly everybody lucky enough to hear it.

So good was it, in fact, that the reviews it received made it easy for me to convince him to write an article for *THE GRASS ROOTS*. It appeared in the last issue.

Marc's article got me to thinking and wondering how many Wisconsin golf course superintendents were making use of a computer in their work.

I have to, in a sense, because that is how our golf course gets a drink of water when it needs it. A few other uses have come about as a result of my access to a machine.

This issue's SURVEY question was presented to as many members as I could get to at the April (Evergreen C.C.) meeting and at the May (C.C. of Beloit) meeting of the Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Association.

The questions were simple: "Do you have a computer for work?" and "If you do, is it for your irrigation system or for other purposes?"

To the first question, twelve WGCSA members indicated they use a computer in golf course management. Six used their machines to operate the course irrigation system and the other six used their machines for "other" purposes.

Twenty-two WGCSA members did not have a computer at work. Most of those expressed little interest in obtaining one, either.

That might change, however, now that they've read Marc's article!

