Results To 1993 John Deere Championship Finalized

By Tom Schwab

The fourth annual Wisconsin John Deere Team Championship results are now complete. This tournament combines a golf course's superintendent, professional, manager, and president in a scramble format. The familiar team from Monroe Country Club will again be heading west to the national tournament in Palm Springs. Monroe Country Club actually placed second, but John Deere later named them the low Wisconsin qualifier.

The sole Illinois entrant from Pinnacle Country Club in Coal Valley, Illinois, grabbed first place with an awesome scramble score of 58. Monroe turned in 62 for second. There was a three-way tie for third with 63's tallied by Big Foot Country Club, Lake Wisconsin Country Club, and Americana-Brute. There was also a threeway tie for fourth place with 64's turned in by Rock River Hills, Muskego

Lakes Country Club, and Pine Hills Country Club.

Low Pro prize money also flowed south with Pinnacle's professional Dave Pfister corralling a 70 for the first place purse of \$375. There was a fourway tie for second place between Mark Krause- Muskego Lakes, Jerry Groark-North Hills Country Club, Raymond Kizer-Lake Wisconsin, and Mike Muranyi-Monroe with each posting 75 and collecting \$183 for their efforts. Ike Bailey from Big Foot held on to third with a 77 for \$70.

Superintendent Jim Crothers had his Americana -Brute, Lake Geneva Resort Course in wonderful playing condition. The greens were an absolute joy to play on. Every other facet of the course was in perfect shape also. Hats off to Jim and his obviously dedicated staff. If you've never played the Brute, I suggest you try to fit it in

sometime. The hilly terrain, scenic views, and great design layout, along with the conditioning make it one of the most enjoyable courses in the state.

There were quite a few questions raised this year about teams from other states entering in the Wisconsin tournament. I was told there was no set rule and thus anyone from Wisconsin could likewise enter the Michigan, Illinois, or whatever tournaments. The Wisconsin John Deere tournament sponsor, John Buck, from J.W. Turf in Hampshire, Illinois, promises that the rules will be spelled out more definitely next year. He hopes the team championship will grow to be a major event on the Wisconsin golf scene. It truly is a great format for getting golf course superintendents, professionals, managers, and presidents out for a fun and competitive round of golf together.

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GOLF OUTING

Friday – October 1, 1993

University Ridge Golf Course · Verona, Wisconsin 1:00 P.M. — Shotgun

Purpose: To Promote Turf Research and Junior Golf in the state of Wisconsin

Event: Foursome Point Event

Prizes: Team Prizes, Course Events, Other

Entry Fee: \$125 per person – Includes green fee, cart, bag tag, yardage guide, 3 logo

golf balls, range balls, lunch, prizes

Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar at the O.J. Noer Research Center adjacent to University Ridge

Deadline for Entry: September 24, 1993

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