

MAY MEETING AT CEDAR CREEK COUNTRY CLUB

By Mike Lyons

Scot Spier at the Cedar Creek Country Club in Onalaska hosted the May meeting on Monday the 11th. It was a beautiful day for golf and the conditions were outstanding. A superb lunch of Cordon Bleu was served, followed by golf beginning at 12:30 p.m. The event was a four-man best ball and numerous flag events. The event winners are as follows:

FOUR-MAN BEST BALL

Bob Emmerich
Lyle Christopherson
Tony Baxter
Paul Derezinski

FLAG EVENT WINNERS

Jeff Bahr
Joe Bahr
John Bahr
Mark Kienert
Paul Derezinski
Shawn Hillard
Byron Deaner

Following lunch, Dave Brandenburg introduced our guest speaker, Professor Stanley Nichols UW Extension-Madison. His informative and well-presented topic was on "Pond Management". Professor Nichols stated the importance of determining the type of problem you are dealing with before attempting any type of control. An example of these problems may be the various types of algae or the many types of aquatic plants that are causing problems in your ponds.

Types of control also vary. There are four types of control without the use of chemicals – Drawdown, Mechanical control, Barley straw, and Grass carp. Barley straw is still in the research stage and grass carp can cause more problems then it is worth and can be illegal. Chemical controls have not changed over the years. Copper sulfate is still widely used, but check the hardness of the water, it can effect the length of control. Chelated copper products give the best control because of its active ingredient, which will stay active much longer. They are very effective against bottom growing algae before

they become a problem. For aquatic plants, many herbicides are available.

Lastly, Professor Nichols suggested cutting cattails below the water in the late fall and let old man winter take care of them. It may take a few years to see success.

A special thanks to Scot Spier and the entire staff at Cedar Creek Country Club. The efforts were well appreciated by everyone in attendance. 🏌️



Professor Stan Nichols of the UW-Madison was the guest speaker at the Cedar Creek CC meeting.



Cedar Creek captures the beauty of the coulee region of Wisconsin.



The May WGCSA meeting was hosted by Scot Spier.



Bob Lohmann, who designed Cedar Creek, was in Onalaska with some of his staff to play their creation.

PLAN TO ATTEND WISCONSIN GOLF TURF SYMPOSIUM

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