



You Might Be a Golf Superintendent...

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I was looking for something “light” to help you start your year off in what is looking like a tough fiscal year for many. So I came up with this little ditty. Enjoy.

This article is kind of a play on Jeff Foxworthy’s “You Might Be a Redneck...” comedy monologue. It’s always amazing to me that if you put a bunch of superintendents from anywhere in the country together in a room, the conversation is always the same. Whether it’s cool season or warm season turf, country club or public, we share similar stories about growing turf, golfer habits, staffing, and even our personal lives. Resemblance to any individual is purely coincidental. You Might Be a Golf Course Superintendent if...

- Your dog is named Bogey.
- Your favorite website is TGIF (Turfgrass Information File)
- Your dress shoes are Dry Joy teaching shoes.
- You only see you wife and children when it’s dark out. They think you are a vampire.
- Your favorite movie is Caddyshack.
- When you watch sports on TV, you check out the turf and mowing patterns.
- All of the books in your library are about turf diseases, landscaping, or golf course design.
- You quote memorized lines from Caddyshack in normal conversations.
- The People in your neighborhood only know you as “that grass guy.”
- All of the shirts you own have golf course or other turf care product logos on them.
- The only magazines you subscribe to are golf or turf related.
- Your living room decor is golf memorabilia.
- You hang out with other turf nerds on your personal time.
- Your favorite day of the year is when you aerify greens.
- Your role model is a former employer / superintendent.
- Unlike “normal” people you look forward to winter and hate summer. 🌱

Coming Events

July 14 - WGCSA Meeting, Evergreen Golf Club, Elkhorn
Mike Schmieden - Host Superintendent

July 13 - 19 - PGA Tour US Bank Classic, Brown Deer Park Golf Course, Milwaukee
Tim Wegner - Host Superintendent

July 20 -23 - WSGA State Amateur Championship, Merrill Hills CC
Randy Van Fleet -Host Superintendent

July 21 - WTA Summer Field Day, OJ Noer Research Facility, Verona
Tom Schwab - Host Manager

August 17 - WGCSA Superintendent Guest, Ozaukee CC, Mequon
Colin Seaberg - Host Superintendent

August 17 - 19 WPGA Wisconsin State Open, Blackwolf Run - Meadow Valleys Course, Kohler
Michael Lee - Host Superintendent

September 21 - Wee One Foundation Fundraiser, Pine Hills Country Club, Sheboygan
Rod Johnson - Host Superintendent