

Fall Events

By Brett Grams, WGCSA Chapter Manager

I am sure many of you are welcoming the fall season. Most of us have now experienced some frost and that reminds us that the end of our golf season is also soon to come. Many of us in WI enjoy spring and fall with all the changes it brings to our beautiful state.

When talking to Superintendents it seems like spring is anticipated with excitement but when it finally arrives you are so busy with opening and preparing your courses it goes by too quickly. I hope that this fall you have a chance to enjoy the end

to a unique and challenging growing season. Hopefully Mother Nature will provide us with some beautiful weather with will allow you to accomplish your fall projects and let your turf prepare itself for the winter season. I can only hope that with the slowing of your turf and play at your courses you can find some time to enjoy the season with friends and family. I also hope that our Brewers can provide us with some great baseball and the Badgers and Packers can find the success the experts are predicting! I sure hope so...

It seems the end of the golfing season is a busy time of the year for events that the WGCSA is proud to support. The Wee One outing was held September 19th, and by all reports was again a successful one with a full field of golfers. Congratulations to Darrin Dichristopher our Affiliate Company member from Premier Golf and Utility for acing the 9th hole at Pine Hills to win the \$10,000.00 event prize! Unfortunately I was not able to attend the Wee One but hope to attend the WTA Fundraiser scheduled for October 3rd. I hope you can attend the fundraiser where the WGCSA will again donate the proceeds from this year's PAR 4 Research online auction to the UW which totaled \$10,350.00 which has grown from last year's donation of \$8,680.00.

We also round out the golfing season with a long time traditional event and a brand new event for our Assistant Supt. Members. This year's Couples Weekend is being held in Minocqua CC on October 7th and 8th. Host superintendent Bill Stein along with his wife Michelle will be letting us play Minocqua CC to see who gets to bring home the coveted Mr. and Mrs. Mow trophy.

I am also happy to report that the newly formed Class C (Assistant Superintendent) Members committee is undertaking a new event this fall. On October 25th the WGCSA will be hosting the inaugural Assistants Fall Wrap Up Meeting. The event starts at 9am at the OJ Noer Research Facility with educational topics presented by our own Dr. Jim Kerns. After a picnic lunch the attendees are welcome to play in a 9-hole golf event at University Ridge. For more information about these events please see our website at www.wgcsa.com.

Lastly, I want all members to be on the lookout for the Registration Packet and Itinerary for this year's Golf Turf Symposium which will be held November 15th and 16th at The American Club in Kohler, WI. I have been informed the Symposium committee will be finalizing the last of the details shortly.

In closing, I wish you all a successful and pleasant fall season. Please contact me for any assistance you may have as the WGCSA strives to serve all members and your facilities as best as we can!



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