MEET YOUR SUPERINTENDENTS!



JIM NICOL is the golf course superintendent at the Bunker Hills Golf Club in Coon Rapids. Jim joined the staff at Bunker Hills in August of 1978 and was then promoted to head superintendent this past February upon the retirement of Clem McCann. Prior to coming to Coon Rapids, Jim was employed by the St. Cloud Country Club, Somerset Country Club and most recently for four years at the Playboy Club in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. One only has to look at Jim's innocent face to realize that 100% of his time at Lake Geneva was spent on the golf course and that he never darkened the door of the club. A bachelor, Jim was born and reared in St. Cloud and received his turf education at Penn State. When not working, Jim loves to play golf or enjoy almost any form of relaxation.



HARVEY BOYSEN is the only golf course superintendent the Northern Hills Golf Club in Rochester has ever known. A very new course, Northern Hills opened for play in June of 1976 and by that time Harvey had already served two years helping with the construction of the course and nurturing it into opening condition. Previously, Harvey had worked for the Rochester Park System and had also been a salesman for a fertilizer company. He now loves the turf care industry and claims the constant challenge of supplying the golfers with a first rate course is what makes it so interesting. Harvey and his wife, Diane, have two children, Penny 11 and Kent, 12. Carpentry work is Harvey's favorite hobby and he is skilled in it enough to have built his own house.

COMMENTS FROM DR. FRED GRAU

Dear HOLE NOTES:

Larry Eggleston's picture on the cover of the May issue of HOLE NOTES is really eye catching! I'm glad to see that our Minnesota friends recognize the potential of the Ataenius spretulus pest.

We are proud that our directors saw the threat more than three years ago and put ads in leading turf magazines - "IT'S WAR". In a meeting of funding agencies at a G.C.S.A.A. conference, G.C.S.A.A. and the Musser Foundation agreed to pool resources and to give assistance to the funding of this project on OARDC with Dr. Harry Niemczyk. Ohio golf clubs initially gave funds for the study. Dr. Niemczyk and Gerold Wegna, the graduate student who did the field work, reported on the three year study at the annual meeting of the Musser Foundation in Atlanta. They deserve a lot of credit.

We put all our available money into Ataenius and we are glad we did! Just thought your readers would like to know how the Ohio based study was developed and financed.

Now we are looking for another critical project to help support.

All the best!

Sincerely yours For better turf,

Dr. Fred Grau