## **RESEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT**

The new Scholarship, Ecology and Research Committee has recently been formed. The new committee members are: ROGER KISCH, Southview C.C., Co-Chairman; DENNIS HENDRICKSON, Honeywell C.C., Co-Chairman; KERRY GLADER, St. Cloud C.C.; DALE CALDWELL, Town & CC; KEITH SCOTT, Oak Ridge C.C.; GERALD MURPHY, Somerset C.C.; RANDY NELSON, Owatonna CC; DOUGLAS MAHAL, Interlachen C.C.

We are still in the formative stages. However, at present our plans include: 1) To continue the present snow mold fungicide program at Rochester, Bemidji, Detroit Lakes, Forest Lake, International Falls, Roseau, Duluth and two Twin City locations, Somerset Country Club and Oak Ridge Country Club; 2) To continue fertilizer studies at Rochester, Duluth and Oak Ridge Country Club; 3) To continue Pythium studies at Interlachen C.C.; 4) To continue Dollar Spot studies at the University of Minnesota; 5) To expand studies on resistant Dollar Spot at Somerset C.C.; 6) To begin a sand top dressing study at a location yet to be determined.

Our concern as a committee is to use the resources we have available in the best possible way. Hopefully we are doing this. What can we as members of the MGCSA do in the area of research? First of all, we can discuss our feelings as to what should be studied with other superintendents and then with the committee. Secondly, whenever we have the opportunity we should visit the turf plots where these studies are proceeding. We all will get a better understanding if we see the plots first hand. Thirdly, it is our responsibility as members to bring the research our association is doing to the attention of our clubs and to help whenever possible with the funding for the program. Every club and superintendent is benefiting from the work which is being done. Let's all pitch in and do our share.

