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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

DENNIS HENDRICKSON

August is tournament month at many clubs. This is indeed a very demanding time of year with the stresses of hot, humid weather and heavy play plus the added demands of the golfer for tournament play. These all make the life of the superintendent very interesting. Hang in there! September is just around the corner. Once the week of aerification is past, things seem to slow down to a bearable pace. By the way, this is a good time to remind the golfers at your course when aerification will be so they can plan accordingly.

Last month's meeting (the family picnic) at Braemar was a most enjoyable day. We were blessed with good weather and a good turn out. Braemar is a great facility for a day such as we had. The golf course was in excellent condition and everyghing was well organized. Thanks to course superintendent John Nylund. Thanks also to the M.T. Wiley Turf Supply Co. for preparing the fine meal and to Bergerson Caswell for the door prize they provided. The family picnic has always been one of the special events of the year.

Next month's meeting will be Aug. 10 at the U of M Golf Course. Supterintendent Russ Adams always has the course in excellent shape so it will be a good day for a round of golf. The U of M research plots are also just down the street from the course so it would be a good day to look at the plots and see what our research program is doing. The lunch is being catered for \$5.00 per person. It should be a very worthwhile day. JUST A REMINDER to get your foursomes in for the golf tournament in September at Willmar Golf Club and Little Crow Country Club.