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"Finesse it, Harry.
These greens don't hold."



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

LARRY MUELLER

This past July and August were difficult months to grow quality turf. The older courses which are predominately Poa annua were tested the most. Heat and humidity made disease pressure constant and if your irrigation system had any weak spots in it, you found out where they were. Here at Minnesota Valley we had only 2.5 inches of rain for the twelve week period starting June 1.

Members may ask why one course has damage and not another. Informing them of the many soil differences, grass types, traffic, irrigation and local environmental differences will help. Keep those communications open with your club officials and help yourself by educating them in the many variables out there.

In spite of Mother Nature's test of our abilities I have heard that many of the courses have never been better and that is a real compliment to the superintendents.

I would like to thank Tom Fischer and Voyager Village for hosting our August meeting. Tom had the course in fine condition and a nice lunch was served.

Don Lindblad, our tournament chairman and superintendent at Majestic Oaks, has put forth a lot of time and effort to make our 1982 Annual Tournament the best yet. He has promised to be full of surprises and knowing him, I'm sure he will be. I hope to see all of you at Majestic Oaks on September 20.

Congratulations to the following new members and members with classification changes:

New Members: Pat Walton, Class C; Jeff Bond, Class C; Melvin Miller, Class A; Edward Long, Class F. Reinstated: Jim Pagel, Class E; Wayne Idso, Class F. Classification change: Jim Hoffman, Benson Golf Club, Class A.