

Preparation of the golf course is not too much out of the ordinary. We try to give our members the same conditions throughout the year. Speed on the greens is increased considerably. Tees and fairways are mowed everyday, greens are mowed twice a day for the tournament.

This tournament is on a very small scale but I think it's easier to see what the P.G.A. Tournament courses go through preparing for their major events with television coverage. Many people are involved in the coverage of our tournament. I have never been to a major televised golf tournament, myself, but I can imagine the amount of people, equipment, towers, cameras, etc. that it takes to give you that coverage. These are all things you don't see when sitting in front of your TV.



## EDITOR'S CORNER



by **BOOTS FULLER**  
EDITORIAL CHAIRMAN, M.G.C.S.A.

There weren't too many of us, but we surely had fun at Whitefish! Bernie Zimmer has quite a layout there. Nine holes are under construction to compliment a beautiful nine that is already there. And it's all carved out of native woods so it's really a demanding course. For we who have slight tendencies to spray our shots, it is really demanding!

I rode up with Dale Caldwell and Gary Peterson and that alone was worth the trip. The weather was super, the lunch  
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# We're seen in all the right places.



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was great and I'm sure that all in attendance had a great time.

In the week prior to the Whitefish trip, the Board met at Baker Park where we had a chance to check out the layout for the July picnic. I am convinced that this is going to be a real outing if the weather man cooperates. I played a few holes of golf with John Nylund, Jim Wodash and Host Superintendent Steven Young. The 9-Hole regulation course will be a good challenge for all. Put the date on your calendar and plan to attend. The format has changed somewhat so please watch for the changes. It is a family outing and Baker Park has some excellent facilities for all. MONDAY, JULY 11 is the date. See you all there.

Summer has finally arrived in southern Minnesota. Things are greening up, temperatures are rising and the weather has finally decided to cooperate with us. Let's hope that the stress of July and August won't be too severe. But so far, things really seem to be falling into shape.

We really have some interesting articles this month and more is on tap for next month. The cooperation has been super.

## ASSOCIATES' CORNER

REFLECTIONS ON MY LIFE WITH A GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT.

by LINDA CALDWELL

In May 1974 I met my first golf course superintendent. Prior to that time I didn't know such people existed because I had never been on a golf course and knew absolutely nothing about the game of golf. Since then I still know very little about the game; however, I feel I understand at least a little more about this person known as a golf course superintendent.

What could a golf course superintendent possibly have to do but cut the grass, I thought. No big deal, right? Wrong! I was soon informed during a tour and golf lesson from the golf course superintendent of the various duties and responsibilities involved. It was certainly eye opening to me. What does a golf course superintendent do in the winter, I wondered. If only I had a nickel for all the times I have been asked that question. Continued on page 11

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