post tournament. Consequently, this helps relieve the "race track" effect perimeters of greens acquire during the year. During the first week of June we apply 2 lbs. of N per thousand square feet and aerify the second week of June. I have found the holes fill in faster and very little fertilizer is picked up. Four weeks prior to the tournament topdressing is applied lightly to help smooth the putting surface. During the tournament greens are vertical mowed lightly and double cut every night. Greens are then double cut in the morning to give us a true and smooth putting surface which measures 10 feet on the stempmeter. Because of the high sand content there is very little disease problem and fungicides are applied as needed.

Tees are mowed three times a week and every day during the tournament at 3/8". Aerification is done the first week of June with 1/2" times. Fertilizer is applied at the rate of 2 lbs. per thousand square feet in June, end of July and September. Fairways are cross-cut on Mondays; mowed Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Fertilizer is applied at the rate of 2 lbs. per thousand during May, July and September.

Preparation of the golf course is just part of any successful tournament. Many volunteers are needed for duties in crowd control, scorers, spotters and rules. These people are supplied by National Car Rental, our Men's and Ladies' Clubs and the P.G.A. Without the efforts of all these fine people no tournament would run as smoothly as the National Car Open does.

## ASSOCIATES' CORNER

by MIKE REDMOND SCOTTS PROTURF

After working on a golf course in South Dakota all through high school, I attended Penn State University in 1966. Upon graduation I worked on a golf course in California for one season. Returning to the upper Midwest in 1969 I continued on Page 9



went to work at Town and Country Club for four years as the assistant superintendent.

In 1972 I contacted the O. M. Scott & Sons Company for an opening they had in Wisconsin with the ProTurf Division. We did not get together at that time, but when the Tech Rep in Minnesota resigned in 1973, I was hired for the Minnesota territory. I now cover fifteen counties in Wisconsin, all of Minnesota, all of North Dakota and two counties in South Dakota.

For those of you who are not totally familiar with O. M. Scott & Sons, they started as a small seed company over 100 years ago in Marysville, Ohio and have grown to be a leading fertilizer manufacturer and pesticide formulator. Scotts does all of their own fertilizer manufacturing and we formulate other companies' pesticides. This gives Scotts an opportunity to get on ground floor research with а lot of the new pesticides coming on the market. At 24 PhD's present, Scotts has over leading our research facility. We also have over 150 acres dedicated to nothing but turf research.

Having been a part of the ProTurf Division for over ten years, I am very happy and proud of my company. Also, I am happy to be a part of the M.G.C.S.A. and am looking forward to another ten years and the making of a lot of new friends in this organization.

## TOURNAMENT REPORT

The M.G.C.S.A. 1983 Golf Championship was contested at the North Oaks Golf Club on Monday, August 15. The following are the results of the competition:

- LOW GROSS: 73-Gary Peterson 74-Dan Hanson, Mike Klatte LOW NET: 63-Orlan Quast 65-Dave Zimmer
- LOW GROSS SENIOR: 76-Jerry Bibbey LOW NET SENIOR: 67-John Beyer LOW GROSS ASSOCIATE: 72-Larry Vetter LOW NET ASSOCIATE: 70-Tom Haugen HIGH BOWLERS SCORE: 130-Russ Rose



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