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TURFGRASS HELP NEEDED

by KEITH SCOTT, CGCS MGCSA PRESIDENT

May has brought the much needed warm temperatures and rain that has benefited the growth of Poa Annua on our courses. This assuredly has been one of the factors that has assisted us in a rather busy spring.

As each year passes it is more and more evident that the Turf Industry in Minnesota is in <u>dire need</u> of a Turfgrass Extension Specialist. All growers of turfgrass (golf courses, sod producers, parks, landscapers, homeowners, etc.) have experienced many problems over the past few years and in most cases are unable to receive help. Those who do are not receiving the right information. Although the MGCSA has constantly pushed for this position it is time that the entire Minnesota turf industry let their respective state representatives and university officials know what is needed.

Heavy rains did not deter close to 100 members from attending our May meeting at Edenvale Golf Club. Our thanks to Superintendent Kevin Benson for hosting this event and to the Lesco Company for their equipment show and arranging the educational session.

The 3rd Annual Turfgrass Research Day is fast approaching. Put aside Friday, June 16 to not only support a good cause but also to get away and relax with your club officials, to look at a different course and what they have to offer.

TARDY AGAIN

We would like to apologize for the lateness of this issue of *Hole Notes*. Because of technical difficulties and scheduling problems, preparation was delayed.

We would like to remind you that the deadline for advertising and articles each month is the 20th of the preceding month. We encourage advertisers and contributors to submit their copy to the MGA office by the deadline. If you have any questions contact Greg Hubbard or the office.