

Interlachen Selected For 1993 Walker Cup

The 1993 Walker Cup Match will be played at Interlachen Country Club in Edina.

The Walker Cup is contested by teams of men amateur golfers from the United States on one side, and from Great Britain and Ireland on the other side. It is played every two years, alternately in the United States and Great Britain or Ireland.

The 1991 Walker Cup will be played September 5-6 at Portmarnock Golf Club, near Dublin, Ireland.

"The spirit of the Interlachen membership is especially attractive to the USGA," said USGA President C. Grant Spaeth. "We enjoy a strong relationship with Interlachen, and we're certain the playing of the Walker Cup there will enhance both the reputation of the club and the Twin Cities as a genial host to international competition.

"Interlachen fulfills all the USGA's requirements, and we are confident the course will present a worthy challenge."

Two of golf's greatest players, Bobby Jones and Glenna Collett Vare, won championships at Interlachen.

When Jones completed the Grand Slam, in 1930, he won the U.S. Open at Interlachen, finishing two strokes ahead of Macdonald Smith. Jones also hit one of the most famous shots in U.S. Open history in the second round of that championship. Trying to reach the green of the par-5 ninth hole with his second shot, the ball skipped across a pond and Jones subsequently birdied the hole.

In the 1935 Women's Amateur at Interlachen, Mrs. Vare defeated 17-year-old Patty Berg, 3 and 2, in the final match.

The 1942 Open had been scheduled for Interlachen, but that championship, along with those of the next three years, was cancelled because of World War II.

In addition, Interlachen was the host club for the 1986 U.S. Senior Amateur. That Championship was won by R.S. Williams, the first of his two titles.

In Brief . . .

- GCSAA has scheduled a General Environmental Session for Friday, Feb. 14, during the New Orleans Conference and Show. Invited to appear are EPA Administrator William K. Reilly; Jay Feldman, national coordinator for the National Coalition Against the Misuse of Pesticides, and John Stossel, ABC-TV's "20/20" news correspondent and environmental reporter. Each will speak on environmental issues that affect golf course management.

- **The Natural Resources Defense Council has called for an 80 percent reduction in agricultural pesticide use.** The organization cited the recently completed EPA well water study as a source for proposing such drastic cuts. Although the cuts are aimed at agricultural uses, superintendents should brace themselves for future demands by such organizations concerning turf and ornamental products as well. Public information—and lots of it—is the only way to curb chemophobia.



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In Brief . . .

• **Water Fact:** Approximately 42 percent of household water is used for landscaping, and landscapes are typically overwatered by 20 to 40 percent. All outdoor landscaping in California, for instance, accounts for 2.5 percent of the state's water use.

• **Traces of herbicides were found in rainwater samples from 23 states in a study recently completed by the U.S. Geological Survey.** The herbicides detected included atrazine, alachlor, metalachlor and a degradation product of atrazine. The main source of the herbicide pollution is believed to be agricultural pesticide use.

This is the first major study to confirm that pesticides can be transported through vaporization into the atmosphere. Although turf applications were not believed to have contributed to the pesticides found in the rainwater samples, superintendents should be prepared to answer questions from concerned citizens and members.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

NEW MEMBERS—AUGUST 22, 1991

Daniel Augdahl	Interlachen Country Club	Class	D
Allen Jaques	Dellwood Hills Golf Club		C
Jeffrey Johnson	Midland Hills Country Club		D
Dan Levendowski	Anoka Technical College		E
Janelle Lord	Rochester Golf & C.C.		D
Mike Pierce	Coffee Mill Golf & C.C.		B
Robert Sill	Coffee Mill Golf & C.C.		B
Eric Peterson	Town and Country Club		C
Richard Skluzacek	Kasco Marine, Inc.		F

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James Gardner	Rochester Golf & C.C.	B to A
Kelly Johnson	River Oaks Golf Course	F to B
Jack Krech	Watsonwan Country Club	BII to B
Chris Leach	Oxbow Country Club	C to BII
Eric Rosenberg	Lidgerwood Golf Club	C to BII
David Solga	Golden Valley Country Club	BII to C

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Honors Course Honored by USGA For Conservation Activities

The Honors Course in Ooltewah, Tenn. has been chosen as the first golf course recognized for its conservation efforts under the USGA sponsored Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses.

In recognition of its achievement, The Honors Course, site of the 1991 U.S. Amateur Championship, was awarded an original oil painting by artist Adriano Manocchia depicting a view of the ninth hole, capturing its natural habitat, its nest boxes and its wildlife, such as the eastern bluebird, pileated woodpecker and mockingbird.

The Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program is sponsored by the USGA and administered by the Audubon Society of New York State. It seeks to protect and enhance wildlife habitat on existing and planned golf courses, enhance the image of golf courses as sanctuaries for wildlife and encourage all those associated with the game to become more knowledgeable about environmental issues and take an active role in conservation practices on golf courses.

Several factors contributed to the decision to recognize the practices of The Honors Course.

The course was constructed in har-

mony with the existing site topography, thereby minimizing the negative environmental impact of excessive soil disturbance. Naturalized tall grasses are encouraged to grow in areas between greens, tees and landing areas. Native shrubs and tall grasses border the roughs, streams and pond shorelines. Nesting boxes for birds are located throughout the course and the superintendent, David Stone, an avid naturalist, has instituted several programs to help identify, monitor and encourage a variety of wildlife species utilizing the course environment.

Further information about this pro-

gram may be obtained by contacting the Audubon Society of New York State, Inc. or the USGA.

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Five hundred limited edition prints, signed and numbered by the artist, are available for sale at a retail price of \$195. Proceeds will be used to support the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program. To order a print, contact the USGA order department (1-800-336-4446).

GCSAA Launches Recruitment Campaign

GCSAA's board of directors is seeking the participation of current members and affiliated chapter presidents in a new member recruitment campaign. The campaign "In Search Of" new GCSAA members began in September and runs through November.

The "In Search Of" campaign is designed to involve current GCSAA-member superintendents in promoting the international association's benefits to superintendents who are prospective members. GCSAA mailed a "how-to-recruit" package to all current GCSAA-member superintendents in late August.

The package includes a brochure that outlines techniques for approaching and signing up potential members, as well as copies of the "GCSAA and You" brochure. Recruiters may present this brochure to potential members to provide them with information about the association and its benefits.

At the same time, a separate mailing introducing GCSAA and its benefits was sent directly to prospective members, to help "pave the way" for current members' recruiting efforts.

Advertisements supporting the "In Search Of" campaign were scheduled for the September, October and November issues of *Golf Course Management* magazine. Articles about the recruitment effort will appear in *GCM* and *Newsline*, GCSAA's membership newsletter, during the three-month campaign.

For more information, contact GCSAA's membership department at 913/832-4480.

In Brief . . .

• **Some politicians and environmental groups are calling for a new approach to solving environmental problems.** "Market-based environmental incentives" would operate by making those companies that create environmental problems bear the total cost to society through higher product costs. Costs for waste generation by companies and individuals would be geared to the amount they produce. In the same respect, if a company produced a chemical that contaminated groundwater supplies, that company or companies that manufactured that product would pay for the total cost of cleanup. Keep a close eye on state legislators for market-based approaches that apply to golf courses and development.

1991 MGCSA Monthly Meeting Sites

Date	Location	Sponsor
Oct. 7	Hastings CC (lunch)	R & W Golf Cars
November (first wk.)	Weather permitting, Golf at Faribault G&CC	
November 20-21-22	Annual Conference Northland Inn	