

Mankato Team Places 4th In National John Deere Championship Tournament

The Mankato Golf Club team placed fourth in the seventh annual John Deere Team Championship Golf Tournament held November 20 and 21, 1993, at the Dunes Course at La Quinta Hotel Golf & Tennis Resort, La Quinta, Calif. (near Palm Springs).

Members of the winning team are Irwin Fuller, Coach, Fred Taylor, Club Superintendent; Kevin Ross, Golf Professional; LeRoy Mamer, Club Manager; Eric Opsal, Club President, and Bob Frank, Distributor Representative. They competed against 30 teams from across the U.S. and Canada.

The international tournament, initiated in 1987, recognizes the important people who make golf facilities successful.

"This tournament is one way we can honor some of the people who have contributed to the game of golf—and through them, perhaps recognize the efforts of all those who have worked so hard to keep this game at its very best," said Jeff Gredvig, general manager, John Deere Lawn & Grounds Care Division.

Competing teams are composed of a golf course superintendent, a golf professional, club manager and club president (or two other members of the top management team),

and a representative from the local John Deere golf and turf distributor.

Each team won their slot in the tournament finals by competing at a local golf tournament in their home area. A total of 855 teams participated in 30 local tournaments in preparation for this international event. The Mankato Golf Club team earned its right to compete by winning from among 18 teams at the local tournament held August 23 at Izaty's Golf & Yacht Club, Onamia.

The local tournament was sponsored by John Deere golf & turf distributor, Polfus Implement, Inc., New Richmond, Wis.

"Once again, the tournament finals offered great competition," said Gredvig. "Each qualifying team is made up of serious golfers who have earned their slots by successfully competing at the local level. Their knowledge of what it takes to design and maintain a golf course makes them students of the game and sharp competitors."

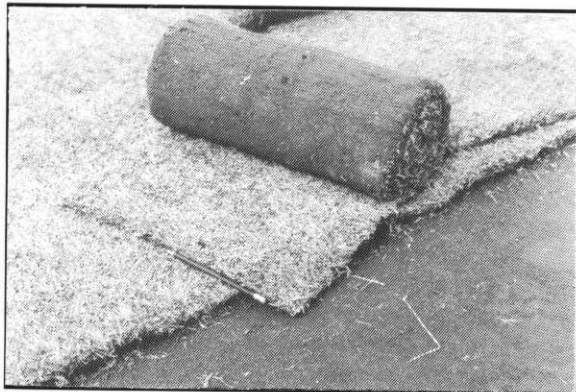
The format of the 36-hole, two-day international tournament, is a "modified scramble." The professional team member plays his or her own ball. The rest of the scramble team uses the best of four shots until the ball is holed. The team score is the best of either the pro's or scramble team's net score by hole.

All members of the winning team received a personalized championship ring. All members of the first-through-

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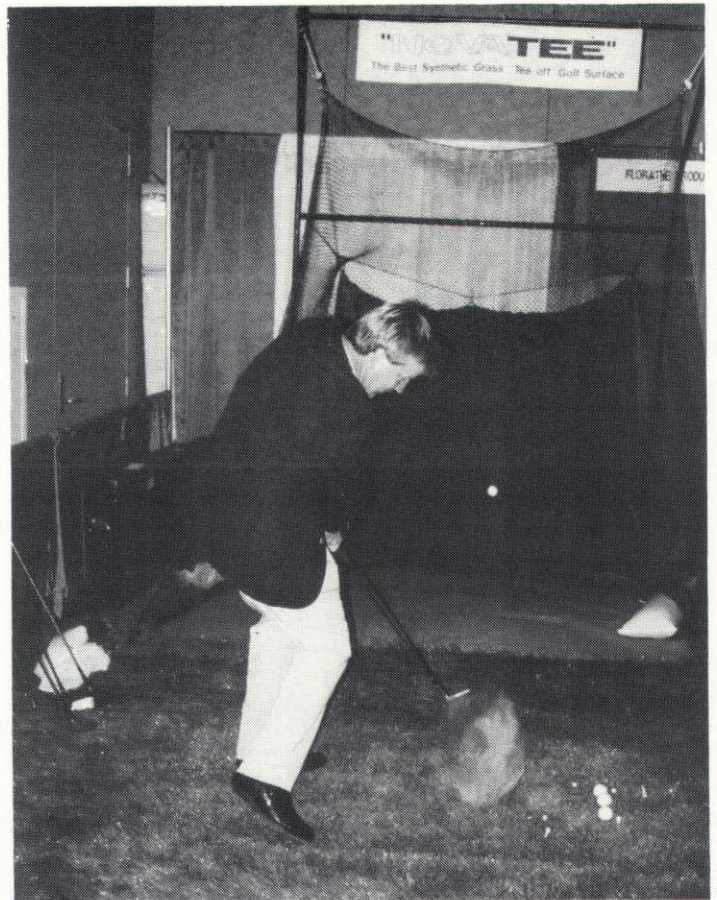
third-place teams received a glass trophy. Individual prizes for first-through-tenth place are based on team scores and consist of cash prizes for professional golfers and gift certificates for amateur players.

Individual prizes are as follows:

Professional

Place	Golfer	Amateur Golfer
1st	\$1,500	Personalized championship ring \$200 gift certificate, trophy
2nd	\$1,250	\$200 gift certificate, trophy
3rd	\$1,000	\$175 gift certificate, trophy
4th	\$ 800	\$150 gift certificate
5th	\$ 700	\$125 gift certificate
6th	\$ 600	\$100 gift certificate
7th	\$ 500	\$ 90 gift certificate
8th	\$ 400	\$ 80 gift certificate
9th	\$ 300	\$ 65 gift certificate
10th	\$ 200	\$ 50 gift certificate

John Deere contributed \$20 to the GCSAA S & R (Scholarship & Research, Inc.) for each of the teams competing at the local tournaments. With 855 teams competing internationally, this year's John Deere contribution was \$17,100.00.



1993 MGCSA GOLF CHAMPION Paul Mayes gets some practice time at the Trade show.



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