EDITOR'S CORNER



ALL I CAN SAY

Is thank you all for the great support you have given me throughout the past year as your editor of *Hole Notes*. I never thought I would have something to say every month for the past two years, but somehow I pull it out of somewhere. I might just want to leave the rest of that saying alone. And guess what, you are stuck with me for another year! So, to sound like the broken record I have for the last two years, those of you that have even whispered you might have something to write about, I am gonna hit you up again for an article. So be prepared.

HOT TOPIC

Cold weather, are we actually going to have a winter this year? As nice as the weather has been, enough is enough!! We live in Minnesota, we're supposed to have had a couple blizzards, a few feet of snow, and broke a couple temperature records by now (as in coldest, not warmest). As I write this in the middle of December, here in West Central Minnesota, we just received our first measurable precipitation since October 7th. The lakes are just beginning to freeze, and finally I can take out my winter boots and warm coat for a while. I had a hard time adjusting to the mild temperatures for as long as they were around. Maybe I'm too much at habit like a black bear; once mid-November hits, I'm looking for a place to hibernate.

The biggest concern on many of our minds is, no doubt, the lack of moisture we all had going into this winter's season. Some fired up their irrigation systems, some trucked water to their greens via a sprayer or other means and some did nothing. Still many of us are hoping some moisture finds them soon before the temperature really takes a dive and virtually freeze dries our turf. We will all just have to hope for the best when spring time arrive.

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Yes indeed, our web page is up and fully operational.

Come check it out and see what it will do for your informational needs. If you have any sites that you think might be beneficial to our association, e-mail me and I'll take a look and see what we can do. It's *your* web page, too!!

Congratulations

Congratulations go out to Jeff Linder, Worthington Country Club, and his wife Julie on the birth of their child in early December.

In hopes your holiday season was in good cheer and safe times, I hope the start of the new year (millennium) also finds you in good health. With that I'll close...see ya next month.

-- Steve Shumansky Editor

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30 HOLE NOTES

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