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# WESTERN MINNESOTA BULL SESSION MARCH 15, 1999 • 10:00 A.M. **ALEXANDRIA COUNTRY CLUB**

For Superintendents, Assistants and Mechanics. Evervone is Welcome.

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# Weeds. Moss and Dead Poa-

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on Poa annua applying surfaces and severe losses of turf occurred after several bouts with severe thunderstorms inundated previously dry courses with several inches of rain. High winds associated with lines of thunderstorms also cause extensive damage to trees on many courses during the summer. Acres of Poa turf on fairways died or were severly injured after a few days of heavy rainfall during August. Preventive fungicide applications and grub control did little to prevent the loss of Poa last summer, which took superintendent and golfers by surprise. Scalping the turf after the heavy rain probably contributed to the injury. Golfers grumbled about poor fairway conditions well into October and were typically unwilling to accept that the injury was weather related and beyond the superintendents control.

Atypical weather persisted well into fall. A warm November and early December had many superintendents secondguessing themselves regarding the use of covers on greens. Covers encouraged turf growth on greens at some courses until late December. Some superintendents removed covers, mowed the greens, and then re-applied snow mold fungicides, while others did nothing. The implications of delaying the normal hardening off process by covering turf will not be known until this spring.

What will the last season of the millenium hold for your course? Only time will tell.

> MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE MARCH MINI-SEMINAR MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1999 DOUBLETREE PARK PLACE HOTEL - ST. LOUIS PARK 8:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.



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