

Bastyr, Zieman, Sandusky and Gorman Win Soggy Fall Mixer at Pheasant Acres Golf Club

The Association hasn't had a rainout in over 20 years. Last year came close and this year it rained until we finished play. 78 members signed up for the event with 40 braving the rain.

Host Superintendent Denny Perreault and his staff presented the course in great shape. The association thanks General Manager Steve Fessler and his staff for providing the accommodations to hold our meeting.

Larry Gorman, GreenImage LLC, teamed with three players from Riverwood National and Vintage Golf Courses, David Bastyr, Randy Zieman and Ron Sandusky, to capture the MGCSA Fall Mixer at Pheasant Acres Golf Club. They shot a 17-under par 125 in the net two-ball format.

The Glencoe team of Jeff Vinkemeier, Marv Huwe, Manley Vinkemeier and John Bahr finished second shooting a 127. Finishing in third place was the team of Mike Knodel, Kyle Schaufler and Larry Meier of Oakdale Golf Club joining Tim Berquam, Bergerson Caswell. They finished with a score of 128.

Jeff Weber, Southview Country Club, won two closest-to-the-pin holes. Dave Johnson, Rich Spring Golf Club, and John Bahr, Glencoe Country Club, won the other two closest-to-the-pin events. Longest putt honors went to Craig Hendrickson of Oak Ridge Country Club. Mike Knodel, Oakdale Golf Club, launched the longest drive.

Turfnet University arranged for an interactive Greens Management educational day. Forrest Richardson, Forrest Richardson & Associates, spoke on the history of the golf green. Brad Klein hosted a webinar about different greens in the world. Dale Hiebert, Superintendent at Rush Creek Golf Club, spoke about its greens renovation project. Syngenta's Luke Dant gave an informative talk. MGCSA attendees had a competition to design a green complex with clay. Don Dare and Paul Bauer of Baker National won a prize for their model. Mike Knodel also won a prize for his efforts.

Troy Von Holdt, Redexim Charterhouse; Tom Moore, Greensgroomer, and George Kinkead, Turfco, gave an outside demonstration on greens aerification and top dressing.

As always, our sincere thanks go to all of our Affiliate members who make our events possible through financial support. The 2008 sponsors are Agrotain International, BASF, Bioverse, Dow Agrosciences, Duininc Bros, Inc., Excel Turf & Ornamental, Green Image, Hartman Companies, HydroLogic, MTI Distributing Company, Par Aide Products, Plaisted Companies, Principal Financial, Prosource One, Syngenta Professional Products, The Tessman Company, Tiziani Golf Car Corporation, Turfwerks, Versatile Vehicles, and Yamaha Golf & Utility, Inc.

Make plans to attend the MGCSA Awards and Recognition Banquet at Windsong Farm Golf Club on December 8.



FALL MIXER WINNERS AT PHEASANT ACRES: From left to right are Randy Zieman, Larry Gorman, David Bastyr and Ron Sandusky. They combined to shoot 17-under-par in the two-ball format.

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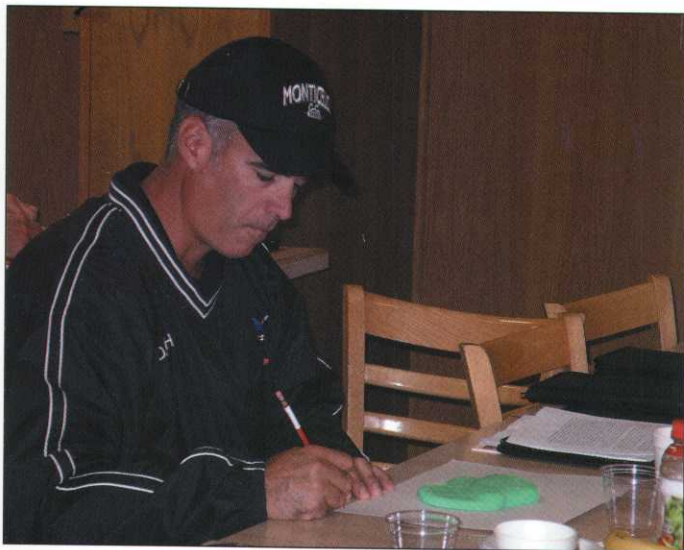


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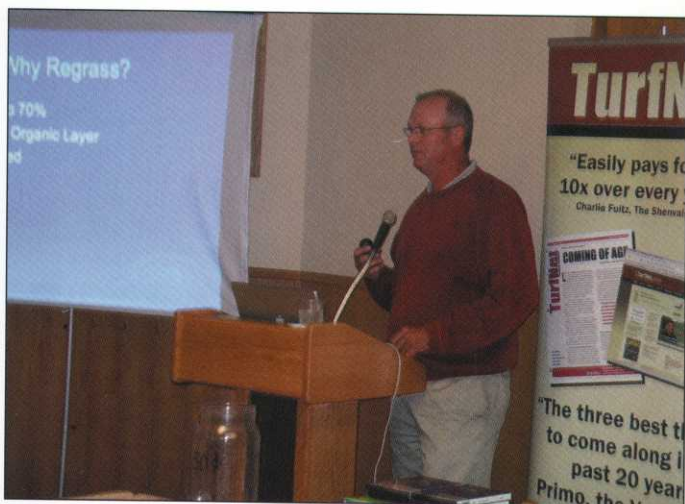
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Charles Degrio

Assistant Superintendent at Monticello Country Club works on his greens complex at the Fall Mixer.



Dale Hiebert

Superintendent at Rush Creek Golf Club spoke about their greens renovation project.



Denny Perreault

Host Superintendent for the October 5 Fall Mixer at Pheasant Acres Golf Club.

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