

Arrowhead Area Superintendents Gath

By Geoff Jordan, Superintendent, Pine City Country Club



Sunny and dry conditions greeted a gathering for members of the Arrowhead Turf Managers Association for golf and dinner at Pine City Country Club, hosted by Superintendent Geoff Jordan. The golf course was in great condition and the greens were rolling fast for the enjoyment of the sixteen participants.

On course events included a skins game and proxies. Three skins were awarded, two to Josh Gamst from Moose Lake Golf Club with

birdies on holes 5 and 6. One skin went to Jake Brytowski from Pine City Country Club after chipping-in for birdie on the second hole. Proximity awards were given to Dale Spetz from Big Lake Golf Club near Cloquet for closest to the pin on hole 3. Long putt on the ninth hole awarded to Ken from 29 Pines Golf Course in Mahtowa. Josh Gamst from Moose Lake Golf Club stuck it close on number 7 to win the proxy, but missed the birdie putt. Prizes were donated by Steve Young with Plaist

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Roger Stewart, CGCS from TPC Twin Cities, and President of the MGCSA, along with Executive Director of the MGCSA, Jack Mackenzie, were invited to speak to the gathered turf managers. Roger spoke on the importance of organizations such MGCSA and the Arrowhead Turf Managers Association, more specifically, the importance of face-

to-face interactions versus the use of social media, and how it relates to attendance at meetings and golf outings. Mr. Stewart and Mr. MacKenzie spoke on the benefits of membership with the MGCSA, focusing mainly on research, and the importance of research funding. Many in the audience were interested in the University of Minnesota's Les Bolstad project and how said project will assist and influence the changing face of golf course maintenance.

The Arrowhead Turf Managers Association is a group of superintendents, owners, managers of a golf facility in Northeast Minnesota and Northwest Wisconsin. Monthly gatherings allow participants to discuss and share problems and/or solutions to aspects affecting golf maintenance. Meetings are held May through September on the third Monday of each month. Upcoming meetings include, July 21 at Big Lake Golf Course. The August meeting will held at Springbrook Golf Course in Mora, on the 18th of that month. Twenty-nine Pines Golf Course will host the outing on the 15th of September. For more information on the Arrowhead Turf Managers Association, please feel free to contact Geoff Jordan at gjordanenger@gmail.com