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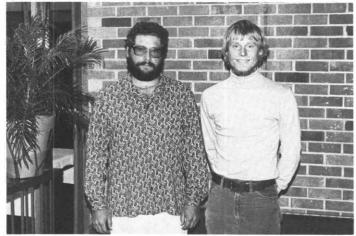


RECORD TURNOUT AT ROCHESTER

The sun god, a little inactive this year, smiled on the M.G.C.S.A. with all its magnitude on Tuesday, May 15. That sun plus the highly regarded reputation of the Rochester Country Club drew over 90 golfers out to play. What they encountered was a flawless golf course in mint condition. Host Superintendent Kurt Erdmann must have mistaken May for July because the course was in mid-season shape. You could have tied up the National Open on it. No scores were reported but it is rumored that some players never saw the sun except at the green. They spent the rest of the time in the shade under one or the other of some 20,000 pine trees.

Jerry Commers of Cushman Motor Company and his cohorts set up a nice display of their products right behind the 18th Green. The nice day, the free beverages and the convenient location combined to draw interested viewers all during the day.

Because of the large crowd the Business Meeting was late starting and very short. The most action was in the Membership Committee Report. The following were approved as new members: Kevin Hamilton, Brookings, South Dakota; Steve Hamelau, Waverly, Iowa; Marlo Hansen and Annette Westover, Forest Hills and Mike Olson, Minikahda. Next month on to Owatonna where the "Straight River" runs crooked through the course giving you much opportunity to fill it up with nice white golf balls.



NEW MEMBERS. Steve Hamelau, left, of Waverly, Iowa and Kevin Hamilton, right, of Brookings, S.D. journeyed far to attend the meeting.



APPRENTICES. Carl Johnston of Forest Hills is training Marlo Hansen, left, and Annette Westover, right.



WELCOME. Jim Lindblad, right, welcomes Mike Olson, new member from Minikahda.



CERTIFIED. Congratulations to Steve Young of Baker Park on passing the test to become certified by G.C.S.A.A.

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THIS AND THAT ABOUT THATCH

By Nick Dunn, C.G.C.S. Hazeltine National Golf Club

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In our own state our association has supported Dr. Ward Stienstra and continues to support his work for winter diseases. Now the association is supporting research by Dr. Stienstra on summer diseases. We, as superintendents, have benefited from the work he has done and our clubs have benefited by being rewarded with better turf.

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effective if we do not continue to implement good sound cultural practices. In simple terms, we must continue to aerify, topdress, verticut, fertilize with caution and water carefully.

Thatch is probably the one problem in turf as it relates to reducing the effectiveness of pesticides. This reduction in effectiveness is due to the fact that thatch limits the proper placement of the pesticide. Thatch is the layer of undecomposed leaves, stems, roots and rhizomes. This thatch layer can limit water movement into the soil, reduce air infiltration into the soil, increase disease and insect potential.

Thatch can be controlled best by using a combination of verticutting to remove thatch, topdressing to stimulate decomposition, aerification to grow the roots out of the thatch zone and the use of only enough nitrogen to keep the grass actively growing without overstimulation of growth. However, a small amount of thatch is necessary cushion, to protect the delicate plant parts and leaf tissue from the abrasion of soils below.

With thatch properly controlled the products for disease and insect control are easier to place properly; thus, increasing their effectiveness, reducing costs with fewer applications and helping produce the turf desired by golf memberships.

Remember it is a combination of the new research and products mixed with a generous amount of basic cultural practices that producees the best turf.

NINE WAYS TO NEGOTIATE A RAISE

Many people who have no trouble dealing with their superiors in most day to day situations find it very difficult to ask for a raise. If you're fainthearted at negotiation time, consider these recommendations to ease the process:

*Know your worth. Ask yourself how valuable you are to the course, how much would it cost to replace you, what have you done lately to help the organization.

*Pick your place. Get your boss outside of the office to listen to your request. Take him to lunch if possible.

*Detail your reasons. Tell your boss why you deserve a raise.

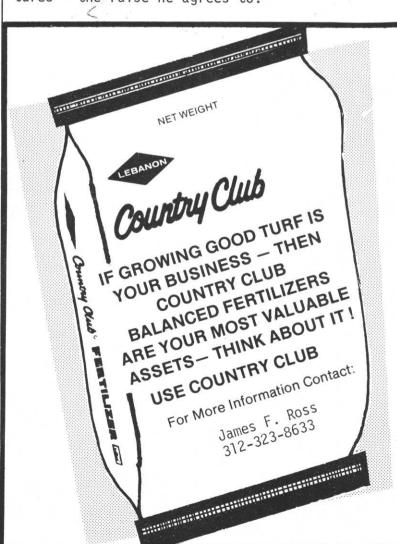
*Suggest an amount. You, not your boss, should propose the amount of your possible raise.

*Set your figures high. Ask for more than you expect to get. This leaves room to bargin.

*Compromise, but not too easily. Since you've started with a high figure, realize you probably won't get it. Let your boss make a counter-offer, and be ready to compromise.

*Rehearse. Don't go into negotiation cold. Be sure to be in top mental and physical condition when the actual talks begin.

*Get it in writing. If possible, get your boss to put it in writing - for both signatures - the raise he agrees to.



*Don't wait - ask. Don't wait around for the company to recognize your value and give you a raise. Ask for it. Your aggressiveness may pay off.

Steve Young Awarded CGCS

Steve Young, golf course superintendent at Baker Park Golf Course, Maple Plain, recently completed the stringent certification requirements of his national professional organization, the Golf Course Superintendents' Association of America (GCSAA).

Young, superintendent of the Baker Park Golf Course since 1977, was honored in a presentation at the Hennepin County Park Reserve District Headquarters, Maple Plain, during a meeting of the Park Board. James Lindblad, CGCS, superintendent of the Wayzata Country Club, Wayzata, made the formal presentation.

To attain certification, Young was required to meet eligibility requirements of tenure and experience and then successfully complete a six hour written examination.

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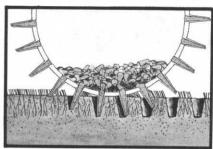
Paul Miller who joined the M.G.C.S.A. in 1937 died last month at the age of eighty. He spent the majority of his working life with R. L. Gould. In 1930 R. L. Gould was a produce company, buying and selling vegetables. They needed a truck mechanic for the chain driven hard rubber tire trucks. Paul was hired and eventually became a truck driver and then a dispatcher. At that time the company changed from produce sales to seed and garden supplies. Paul went into sales which led him to be the sales manager of the Power Equipment Department. His territory, while in sales, was Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Western Wisconsin. Pretty large for one man, especially with the all encompassing job of the salesman in that day and age! When R. L. Gould died nine employees bought the company and Paul was elected vice-president and director, a position he held until he died. He retired officially in June of 1978 and at that time there were three generations of Millers - Paul, Gordy and Dan Miller with the R. L. Gould Co. He was always an active booster of our association, effectively recruiting new members in his travels throughout our area. He will be greatly missed by all.

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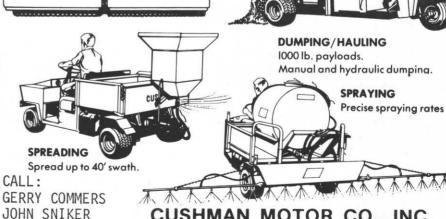
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JIM NICOL is the golf course superintendent at the Bunker Hills Golf Club in Coon Rapids. Jim joined the staff at Bunker Hills in August of 1978 and was then promoted to head superintendent this past February upon the retirement of Clem McCann. Prior to coming to Coon Rapids, Jim was employed by the St. Cloud Country Club, Somerset Country Club and most recently for four years at the Playboy Club in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. One only has to look at Jim's innocent face to realize that 100% of his time at Lake Geneva was spent on the golf course and that he never darkened the door of the club. A bachelor, Jim was born and reared in St. Cloud and received his turf education at Penn State. When not working, Jim loves to play golf or enjoy almost any form of relaxation.



HARVEY BOYSEN is the only golf course superintendent the Northern Hills Golf Club in Rochester has ever known. A very new course, Northern Hills opened for play in June of 1976 and by that time Harvey had already served two years helping with the construction of the course and nurturing it into opening condition. Previously, Harvey had worked for the Rochester Park System and had also been a salesman for a fertilizer company. He now loves the turf care industry and claims the constant challenge of supplying the golfers with a first rate course is what makes it so interesting. Harvey and his wife, Diane, have two children, Penny 11 and Kent, 12. Carpentry work is Harvey's favorite hobby and he is skilled in it enough to have built his own house.

COMMENTS FROM DR. FRED GRAU

Dear HOLE NOTES:

Larry Eggleston's picture on the cover of the May issue of HOLE NOTES is really eye catching! I'm glad to see that our Minnesota friends recognize the potential of the Ataenius spretulus pest.

We are proud that our directors saw the threat more than three years ago and put ads in leading turf magazines - "IT'S WAR". In a meeting of funding agencies at a G.C.S.A.A. conference, G.C.S.A.A. and the Musser Foundation agreed to pool resources and to give assistance to the funding of this project on OARDC with Dr. Harry Niemczyk. Ohio golf clubs initially gave funds for the study. Dr. Niemczyk and Gerold Wegna, the graduate student who did the field work, reported on the three year study at the annual meeting of the Musser Foundation in Atlanta. They deserve a lot of credit.

We put all our available money into Ataenius and we are glad we did! Just thought your readers would like to know how the Ohio based study was developed and financed.

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