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## Can We Talk?—

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the killing and corruption broadcast on the evening news. But it does affect our psyche. After a tough week at work worrying about the Acme balloon account not producing as expected, and hearing rumors of a lay-off because of a poor quarter, and hearing from your wife that the car has died, and your kid is taking a school field trip into the city (right where a killing occurred last week), Joe Member is going to play a round of golf at the club. On the first tee he has high blood pressure, only two hours to play because he has to get home, and no practice since his last round. How is he ever going to shoot a good number? How is he going to complete his round calmly and full of praise for a job well done?

The job at hand isn't as simple as showing up for work and getting maximum efficiency out of the staff and yourself. That doesn't work at many clubs. We have to do more—not with our hands, but with our leadership—in several areas.

**First**, we need to put the game back into golf. How do we do this? Every club will be different. Maybe talk with

the pro or the club president or the golf chairman, whomever you have a good rapport with. Get the conversation around to recognizing any problems that may exist. Then you can take it in any positive direction you want. It will take many discussions before any tangible results are made.

**Secondly**, get the club to write a mission statement. If the club can express in writing what it wants and stands for, then it will be easier for you to communicate what needs to be done to achieve those goals. With a mission statement, you can go to any of the golfing industry consultants (USGA, NGF, state agronomists, fellow superintendents) and get supporting documentation on what is needed to do the job.

**Thirdly**, communicate to your golfers that when they play golf they should leave the negative trappings in the parking lot. This is a great game, and it is being hurt by people taking the sport out of it.

We cannot change the way society puts pressure on all of us. We can, by using a little imagination and foresight, change the way our members view us and our golf courses. We need to convince them that our few acres of turf are there for their enjoyment. Anything less, and they're not getting their money's worth. So during these winter months, think of ways to put a positive spin on what you do for your club and what your club does for its members. Our jobs and our mental health will only be made better with a little positive communication.

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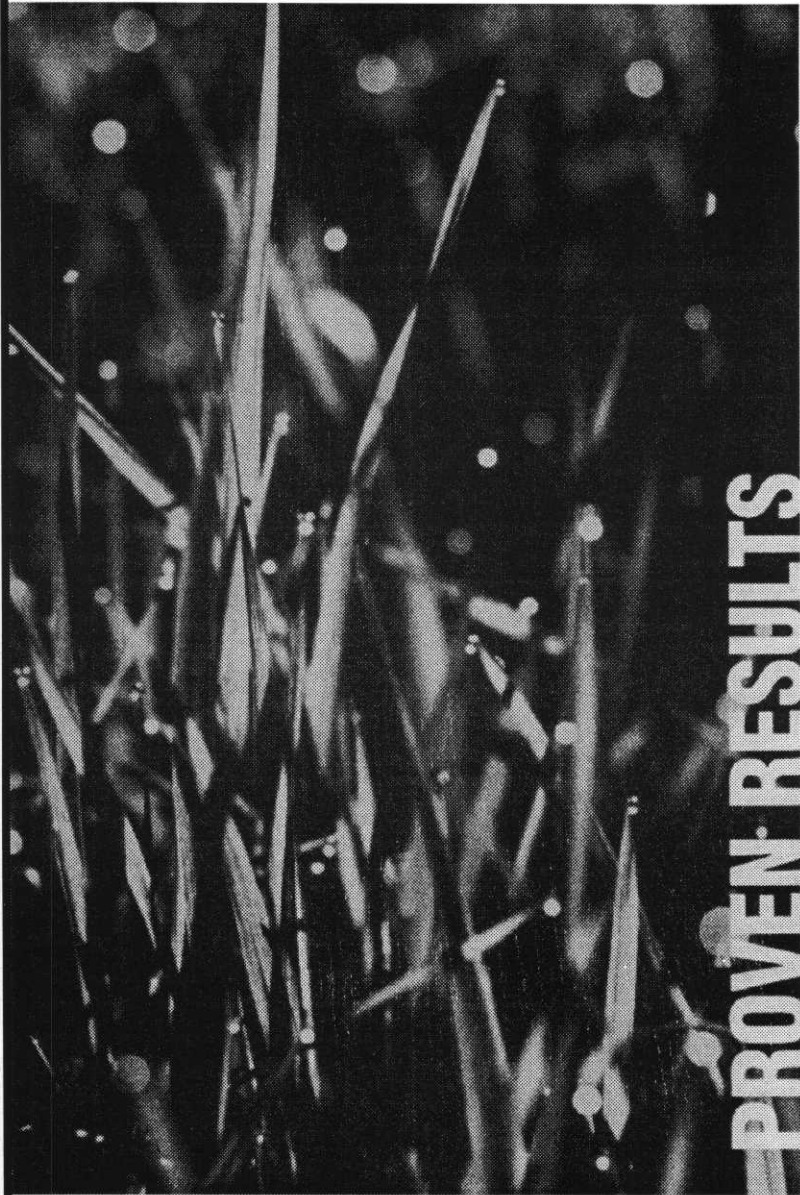
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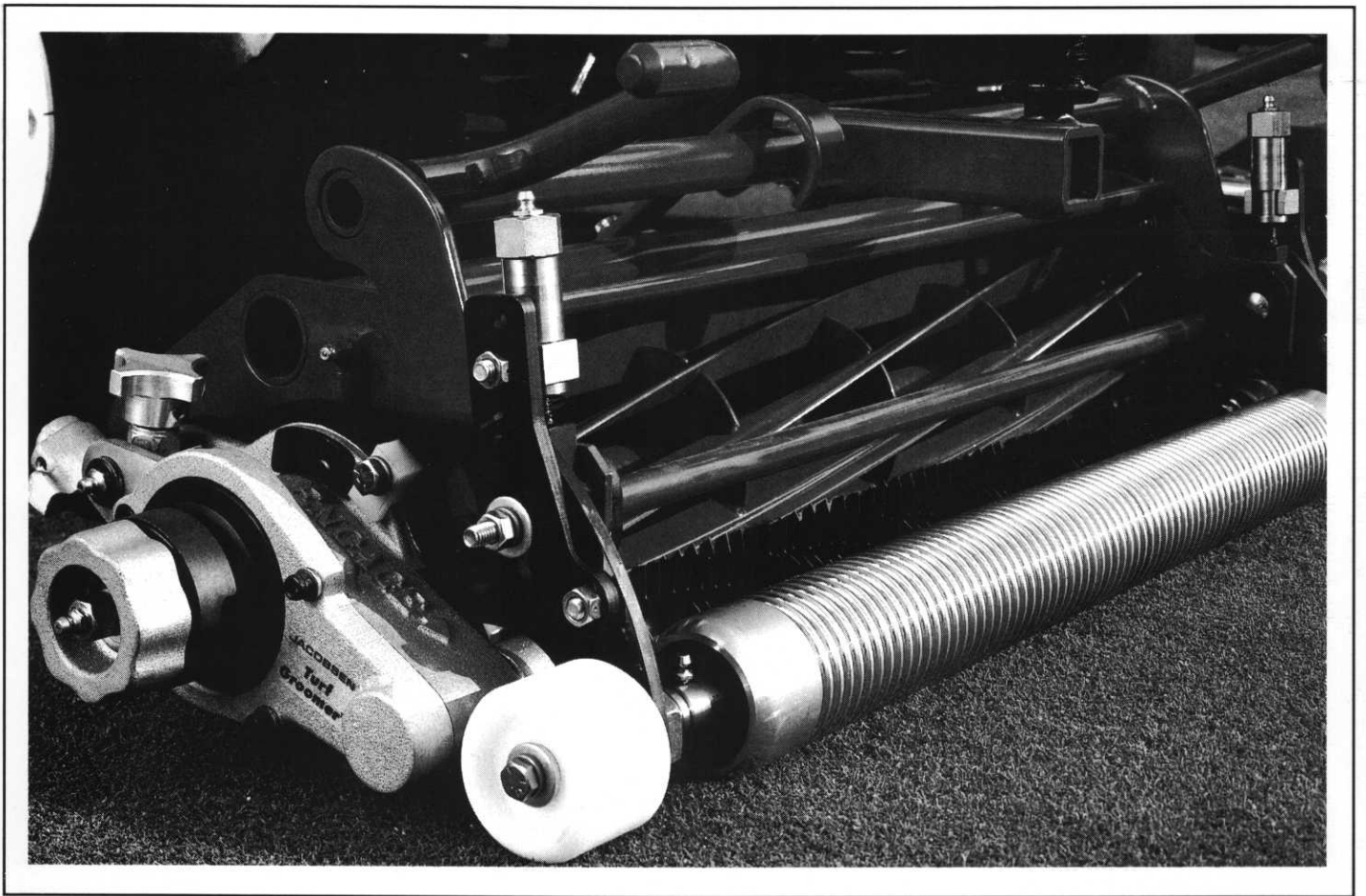


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# *Baker National Golf Course Recognized for Environmental Excellence*

**By Keith Greeninger**  
*Baker National Golf Course Superintendent*

Baker National Golf Course has achieved designation as a "Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary" by the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary System, a program of the Audubon Society of New York State and endorsed by the U.S. Golf Association. Baker National Golf Course is the first public course in Minnesota and only the third in the state to become fully certified in this program. It is the 47th golf course in the nation to receive this honor.

Baker National first joined the Audubon program in 1993. Being owned and operated by Hennepin Parks, a natural resource-based regional park system, was an advantage for Baker National in its effort to meet the requirements for the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary certification. Hennepin Parks' mission of natural resource protection and preservation and provision of outdoor education and recreation opportunities had already dictated an environmental stewardship and education per-



spective at Baker National. As Golf Course Superintendent, I was fortunate to have available professional natural resource staff expertise in forestry, wildlife, water quality and outdoor education management to assist in preparation of Audubon Sanctuary application materials and in design of programs that helped us achieve this honor. One of the ongoing activities resulting from this process was the development of a Natural Resource Advisory Committee for Baker National which includes the Director of Natural Resources, Forestry Manager, Wildlife Manager, Water Quality Manager, Nature Center Supervisor and a Landscape Architect. This committee will meet periodically to develop projects that will enhance and promote our environmental efforts at Baker National.

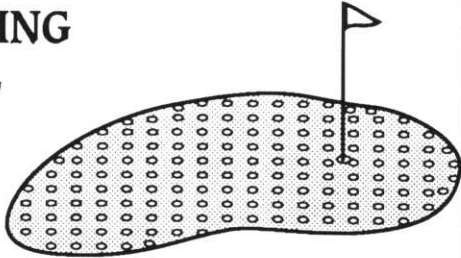
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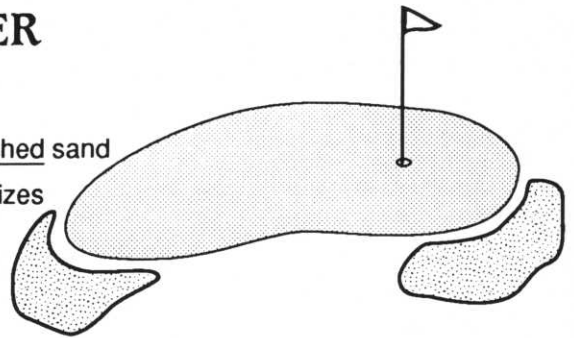
## TOPDRESSING MATERIAL

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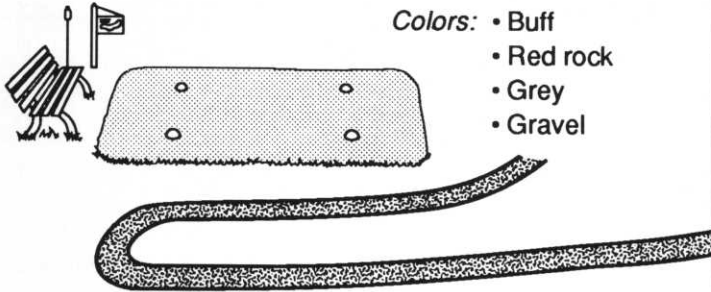


## BUNKER SAND

- Clean, washed sand
- 2 particle sizes to choose from



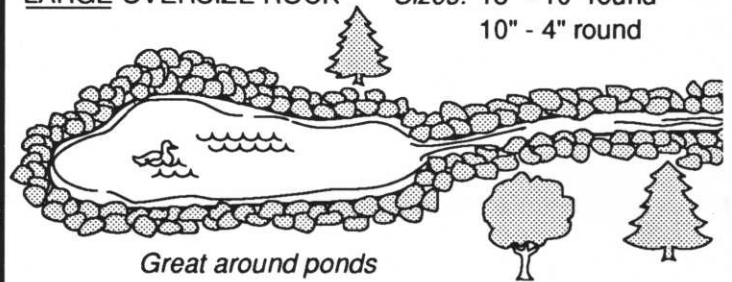
## CARTPATH AGGREGATE



- Colors:
- Buff
  - Red rock
  - Grey
  - Gravel

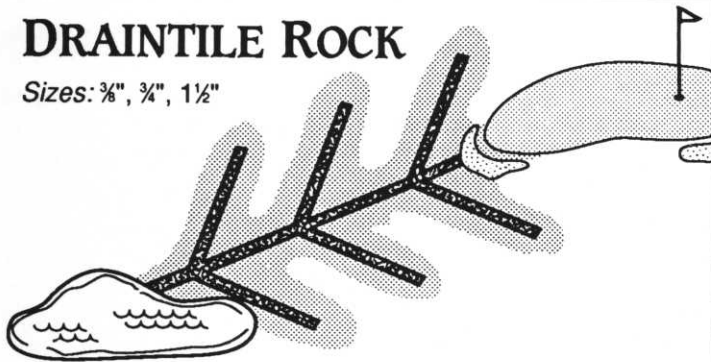
## RIP RAP

- LARGE OVERSIZE ROCK      Sizes: 18" - 10" round  
10" - 4" round



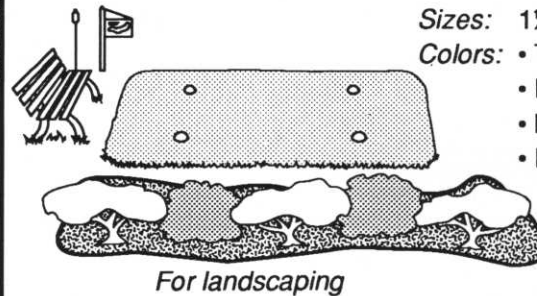
## DRAINTILE ROCK

Sizes: 3/8", 1/2", 1 1/2"

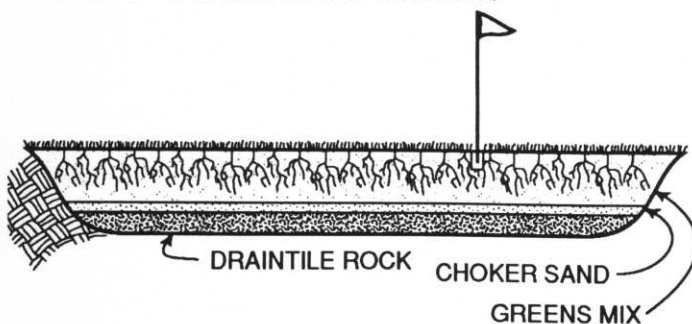


## DECORATIVE ROCK

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## Jacobsen Announces Release Of Greens King V

Jacobsen Division of Textron, announces the release of the all-new Greens King V triplex greens mower, available for delivery in late Fall, 1995.

With the Greens King V, Jacobsen introduces an all-new platform featuring a unique L-shaped frame allowing, among other things, easy access to the center cutting unit and improved maneuverability. Powered by a 19 hp Kubota liquid-cooled diesel engine or 18 hp Vanguard gas engine, the new GKV offers plenty of cutting torque and hill-climbing ability.

The Greens King V is well-equipped with features enhancing operator convenience such as easy to reach controls and well-positioned gauges, one-touch mower lift/lower, power steering via a tilt wheel and an operator station positioned slightly off-center for improved sight lines during clean-up passes.

The Green King V's fiberglass hood offers protection to major com-

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