



ON BOARD

Musing the Monthly Minutes

*By Jack MacKenzie, CGCS
North Oaks Golf Club*

Can you say PROGRESS? At the most recent BOD meeting many topics were discussed and addressed. Besides reviewing the status of the MTGF, the purpose of the Noer Foundation and upcoming events, the Board of Directors investigated the opportunities for investment into the TROE Center.

In an effort to encourage matching funds from other golf-related industries and also display to the University of Minnesota the MGCSA's strong support for the TROE Center, the BOD unanimously resolved to contribute \$100,000 to the program. By publishing our aggressive endorsement, it is felt that several other deep-pocketed organizations will take notice and step up to the tee, so to speak! The funding comes from the proactive attitudes of previous BODs who envisioned the need for supporting such a center and created financial vehicles for the development of resources. In my mind there couldn't be a better investment than the TROE Center.

We should all be very excited about our participation in the 2003 Green Expo. This event embraces the whole "Green" industry from cemeteries to garden centers. For those who have never been to the Expo Trade Show, you are in for a treat. It can only be described as bustling! Wall to wall displays of new tools of the trade and plant materials. Our industry is no longer just golf, we must broaden our horizons to include every facet of the business.

And to accomplish this task continuing education is a must. Be assured that there will be opportunities galore for filling your mind with ideas. Heads up, however; if you haven't received pesticide recertification for the 2003 season, you must either take a correspondence course or attend one of two sessions to be scheduled this fall by the MGCSA and the MTGF. As many of you are aware, with the combination of the industries, there will not be a Turf Show in 2002.

John Wiley from the Noer Foundation graced the Board with his presence and discussed the purpose of the foundation as well as thanking the MGCSA for its past support. O.J. Noer raises about \$50,000 annually and contributes between \$30,000 and \$60,000 dollars each year to help sponsor turf-related research projects at a national level. The MGCSA contributed \$1,000 this year.

And the MGCSA itself received a bit of cash as well. The Minneapolis City League donated \$250 dollars and Dave Wilson contributed \$25.00 to the to the research fund. Mark Sullivan added an extra \$15 to his already generous scholarship donation last fall. Thank you to all who have given so generously.

See you at St. Cloud on June 17th.

*— Jack MacKenzie, CGCS
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\$7,500 or best offer.
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1988 Foley Model 3084A Automatic
Bedknife Grinder, good condition
\$1,500.00. Easy Picker Range
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Toro Reelmaster 7-gang, 5 blade reels,
pull frame and parts. Make reasonable offer.
also:
2 Cushman Trucksters, Early 60s vintage.
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1991 Toro 216 w/Blade Reels
2,376 hrs. Make Offer.
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1970s Cushman Topdresser - \$200
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\$1650
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1999 68DL National Deluxe Mower
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Editor's Corner

By Richard Traver, Jr., CGCS
Monticello Country Club

Cold Squirrels?

Has the weather this spring been odd or what? It has even caused the animals to act a little weird.

Upon doing my daily check of the golf course, I noticed several days in a row that the tee towel on the sixth tee was half torn off. After questioning several of my staff about not replacing this towel, they all replied that they had replaced it. Well, someone was lying or something weird was going on. So I sent my mechanic down to replace this towel one more time and upon his arrival, there was a squirrel pulling on the remains of the previous towel. I am guessing this was an excellent addition to his/her nest. After shooing away the squirrel my mechanic returned to tell the story. On my desk the next day was a little outfit made out of the tee towel and an apology letter.

The letter read like this:

Dear Mr. Traver,

We squirrels apologize for the inconvenience we have caused you in taking your towels. We did leave nuts for payment. This is the only form of currency we have. Our little bodies are freezing this spring and we needed new clothes. By the way, could you get a wider variety in the colors of the towels. We are not in school, you know. We don't need uniforms.

*Thanks,
The Squirrels*

This is a True Story!

I just noticed in *Golf Course News*, that Chris Hague has moved to the Tournament Players Club at Deere Run in Illinois. Chris was a member of the MGCSA for a number of years, as well as a former superintendent of Hazeltine National Golf Club.

PGA Championship

(Reprinted from GCSAA Newsweekly)

The PGA of America has announced that GCSAA members and their spouses will be able to get complimentary daily admittance to both the 63rd Senior PGA Championship and the 84th PGA Championship.

The senior PGA will be held at Firestone CC in Akron Ohio, June 3-9, and the PGA will be at Hazeltine National Golf Club in Chaska, Minn., Aug. 12-18

According to the announcement, GCSAA members who wish to take advantage of the complimentary admittance need to show their membership card and a photo I.D. at the Will Call Trailer located at the admission gate for each event. Members are asked to park in public parking and take a complimentary shuttle to the admission gate.

Next Meeting

The next event scheduled is the Scholarship Scramble on June 17 at St. Cloud Country Club. Dan Hanson is the Host Superintendent and I am sure Dan will have the turf in top condition for this event. It has been some time since I have had the opportunity to play St. Cloud Country Club and I understand they have made some changes that have greatly enhanced a couple holes. See ya there.

—Rick Traver, CGCS
Editor



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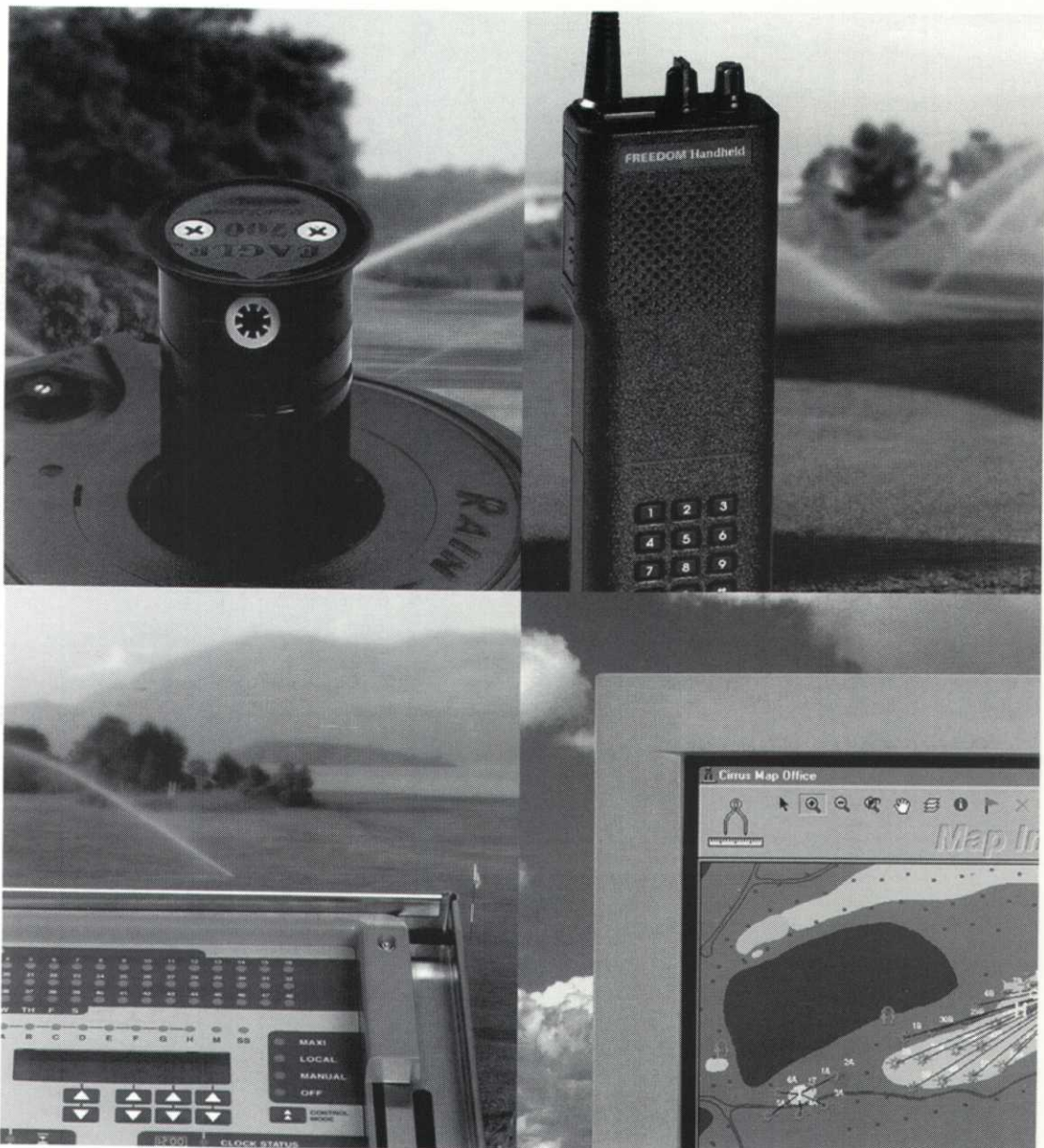
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