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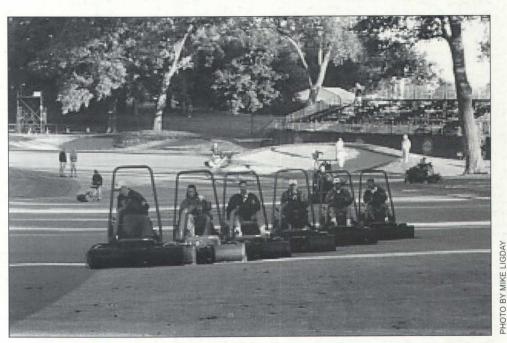
Huge Success at Local Course

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By now the last rope has been rolled up and the wires pulled from the ground following a very successful major event held at Hazeltine National Golf Club. Soon there will be no trace of the very exciting PGA Championship played the week of August 12 through the 18th. However, memories of the "Big Event" will last a lifetime for the participants.

Some would say the professionals who had their honor and paycheck on the line were the active participants during this event. Sure it was fun to watch Fred Funk parade down the 18th fairway with Tiger Woods, witness the disintegration of Justin Leonard's game on the final round and experience the joy of a new Champion rising from the crowd. But the true players of note were in the background facing monumental challenges and producing a beautiful venue.

Unseen were the professionals in the turf industry who began the week doing routine turf maintenance such as greens mowing and bunker raking. However, as we in the business have come to expect,



TEAMWORK made it possible to get the course ready each morning and keep it in championship shape during the 84th PGA at Hazeltine. Tour players raved about the condition.

Mother Nature is always on hand to rain upon our parade.

And rain it did! Copious amounts fell upon the course the evening of the second championship round of golf.

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