

or more rounds per day. Reasonable cupping areas on many of these old greens are restricted to one or no more than three areas; soils are layered, hard and compact; surface and sub-surface drainage is limited or non-existent. Is it not true that Foa Annua and other undesirable species of plants have encroached and covered the most used cupping areas?

Consideration of these various factors reveals the reasons why it is becoming more and more difficult to maintain greens in top shape. The conditions are such that greens just cannot stand the traffic^m.

Bulletin # 65 of the New York Turfgrass Association contradicts a recent release by a well known commercial house which advised lawn owners to water their lawns by saying- " Light watering, if done frequently, is by far the best. " Bulletin #65 says this - " Watering recommendations unchanged. " The article further says, " On the contrary, deep watering, eight to ten inches into the soil at a time, at a slow, even rate is best. " So, we have a controversy over how to properly water a lawn, but being a bit old fashioned, we lean to alternate wetting and drying of our soils, fully realizing that water application to a putting green is a subject entirely different from lawn watering.

FROM THE NATIONAL

The Executive Committee of the National Association has appointed a committee known as an " Ad Hoc " Committee for the purpose of investigating the possibility of an improved method of representation and voting at National meetings.

For a number of years some members have felt that we should have geographic districts set up and each district should be allowed an equal number of votes. Some members have felt that the large locals of Philadelphia, Midwest, Cleveland and California dominate the voting due to their large numbers.

In order to clear the air on the subject you are asked to seriously consider the following questions and come to the next meeting prepared to express your opinions.

1. Each GCSAA member is presently entitled to one vote. Do you believe this policy should be changed?
2. Do you feel that large locals (in numbers of GCSA members) should have more voting strength than small locals?
3. Would we accomplish anything towards equality in voting if we were to eliminate delegate voting and have all members vote in person ?
4. Do you know of one or more instances where large (voting strength) locals have abused their position and voted for propositions that were detrimental to the advancement of the Association ?
5. Do you approve of individuals collecting large numbers of proxies and voting them?
6. Would you like to see the 60% clause eliminated so that all locals could vote for all of their GCSA members?
7. Do you feel that we could accomplish anything by attempting to divide the country into sections (geographic) ?
8. Do the GCSA members in your area feel that they do or do not have proper representation

by vote in the GCSA? If not, do they have any suggestions for improvement?

IN THE MAIL

Mr. L.R. Shields Editor
Mid-Atlantic NEWSLETTER

Route #1, Box 130
Centreville, Virginia

Re: LostColumn, August NEWSLETTER

Dear Bob,

Brother, he ain't lost! He's been fighting the "3rd Battle of Bull Run", the 'battle of Virginia's Red Mud'. But he's winning, things are looking greener all the time. Come over and see for yourself.

Gay Jerome
' A Real Golf Widow'

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Beaver Creek Country Club
Hagerstown, Maryland
August 8, 1959

Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents
Attention : Mr. L.R. Shields

Dear Bob:

Confirming our verbal invitation to you several months ago, we would be very happy to have the members of the Association hold their September meeting at Beaver Creek Country Club. The date is Tuesday, September 1st. Golf from 12:00 noon on. Social hour from 5 to 6 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. All of these times are Daylight Saving Time.

The course is located at Beaver Creek, Maryland, which is six miles East of Hagerstown and sixteen miles West of Frederick. Just after coming down from South Mountain into the Hagerstown Valley, you will pass an outdoor theatre on the right. Turn right on Route 66 and drive about one half mile to the first opening on the right. This is the entrance to the first unit of the clubhouse which will be visible from the road.

As a point of interest and of information, we would like you to know that Clarence Jett started as our Superintendent two weeks ago. We are very pleased with the improvement he has been able to show us in the course even in this short time.

We are looking forward to having a good turnout of the membership at Beaver Creek and believe that they will have an enjoyable time. This is one of the few occasions on which they will have a chance to "constructively criticize" "Pappy" Hines and his "amateur golf course architects".

Very truly yours,
John Young and Bert Yingling

NEXT YEAR'S MEETING PLACES

It's time to start thinking about meeting places for 1960. If you would like to have the Association visit your club next year then fill in the enclosed invitation and return it to the Secretary-Treasurer. Invitations will be considered by the Executive Committee and a schedule arranged and announced at a later date.