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NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the MAGCSA will be held on August 4 at the Elks Club in Salisbury, Md. Our host will be Tom Ramburg, a recent U. of M. graduate in the turf school.

DIRECTIONS TO THE CLUB

Route 50 east to Ward Street. Turn right to bottom of hill Turn right to light; left at light on Route 12 - 1 block, turn left on Park Drive to Lodge.

MEETING PLACES

August 4 Elks Club, Salisbury, Md., Host Tom Ramburg; September 8, Maryland Golf & Country Club, joint meeting with Philadelphia group, host Ron Hall; October 13, Turf Valley Golf Tourney, host George Riddle; November, open; December, open.

JOB OPENING

A new job is opening up in the Richmond, Va. area. It is a new golf course, the Confederate Hills C.C. and is being built in conjunction with a new development. Resumes may be sent to:

Mr. Vincent G. Robinson
c/o Estate Development Company
P.O. Box 64
Highland Springs, Va. 23075

For additional information on the job, contact Algie Pulley.

A BIG THANK YOU

The members of the Mid-Atlantic, and especially their wives wish to express their appreciation for the cocktail hour donations received from the following companies for Ladies' Night, 1970: Agrico Chemical Co., Alfco Rokeby Co., S.W. Barrick & Sons, Lewis Barton Co., Blue Ridge Industries, F.W. Bolgiano Co., Borden Inc., H.T. Campbell Co., Wm. Cholko, W.A. Cleary, G.L. Cornell Co., Egypt Farms, John Gross - Kapko, Gustin's Baltimore Toro, National Capital Toro, National Chemsearch, Princeton Turf Farms, Russell Roberts Co. Weblite Corp.

ROSES TO -

In spite of the fact that Dave Hill was rather uncomplimentary about the Hazeltine C.C. where the U.S. Open was played, it seems the condition of the course was great. So great in fact, that Ron Helming, the super there got great press coverage and a plaque in recognition of a job more than well done. Once again, the super finally gets credit for credit due. Nice work and our congratulations too, Ron!

POOR HARRY HOMEOWNER

The USDA recently announced cancellation of Federal registration for all remaining uses of 2,4,5-T around the home and on food crops intended for human consumption. Cancelled are all granular 2,4,5-T formulations for all uses around the home, recreation areas and similar sites and all uses on food crops intended for human consumption. The department had previously suspended registrations of liquid formulations of the weed killer for home use and uses on lakes, ponds, and ditch banks.

The suspension or cancellation of registration of these products by the Department is the result of careful evaluation by the USDA, Department of the Interior, and the Department of HEW of new research information concerning safety of 2,4,5-T. Based on these data which show 2,4,5-T to cause abnormal development in unborn mice, the HEW has declared that exposure to this herbicide may present an imminent health hazard to women of childbearing age.

These actions do not eliminate registered use of 2,4,5-T on control of range, pasture or other non-agricultural land.

Editor's note:

It must be mice in my shop with little curly tails and floppy ears. It thought it might be teeny little piggies!

VIRGINIA GOLF FACILITY

Virginia Golf Facility

by Harry Eckhoff
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With 23 new golf courses now in some stage of construction, Virginia ranks third in the nation in golf course development. Only Florida with 30 and Michigan with 25 surpass the Old Dominion. Courses now under construction include seven private facilities, seven golf-real estate ventures, four resort courses, three semi-private and two municipal projects.

Among the private courses expected to be ready for play in Virginia in 1970 or 1971 are the 18-hole Winton Country Club at Amherst, the Blacksburg Country Club - 18 holes - at Blacksburg, a second 9 at Wedgewood Country Club at Farmville, a second 9 at the Indian Creek Yacht and Country at Kilmarnock, a fourth 9 at the Langley Air Force Base Golf Club, the 18 hole Castle Rock Golf Club at Pembroke and a second 9 at the Green Hills Country Club at Standardville.

Planned Resort Courses

About 30% of Virginia's new golf courses now under construction are a part of golf-real estate developments. This is in line with national trends. Among the courses of this type scheduled for openings in 1970-71 are Stonehenge Golf and Country Club - 18 holes - at Bon Air, Country Club Lake - 18 holes - at

Dumfries, the 18 hole Lake Monticello Golf Course at Lake Monticello near Charlottesville, the second 9 of the Evergreen Country Club near Haymarket, the second 18 referred to as the South Course at Reston and the 18 hole Hunting Hills Country Club at Roanoke.

Resort and motel operators in Virginia currently building golf courses include Sky-Bryce - 18 holes at Bryce Mountain Golf-Ski Resort, Bayse; the 18 hole Sheraton - Fredericksburg Motor Inn Golf Course at Fredricksburg; a third 9 at the Shenandoah Valley Golf Course at Front Royal and a second 9 at the Lakeview Motor Lodge and Country Club at Roanoke.

Semi-private golf course developments now underway include an 18 hole layout in the greater Charlottesville area, a 9 hole do-it-yourself project (Topside Golf Club) in Fairfax County and the 18 hole Deer Run Club scheduled to open in early summer 1970 at Williamsburg.

More Municipal Courses

The Fairfax (Va.) County Park Authority will open its new 18 hole Burke Lake Park Par-3 Golf Course built on 56 acres in early summer 1970. Cost of construction was \$300,000 which was financed with county bonds. County also operates the 18 hole regulation length Twin Lakes Golf Course which opened for play in September 1967 and the Jefferson Golf Course (formerly the 9 hole International Town and Country Club) located near Falls Church which the County purchased in 1969.

Twin Lakes Golf Course had 46,000 rounds of golf played on it in 1969 and its gross revenue for the year was about \$200,000 according to James Bell, Fairfax County Park Authority Director. Green fees at Twin Lakes are \$3.00 weekdays; \$4.00 weekends and holidays: after 5:00 p.m. - \$2.00 any day.

Virginia Beach expects to have its new 18 hole Municipal Golf Course in play in early 1971 according to Harold Whitehurst, City Director of Parks and REcreation. Course is being built at a cost of \$500,000 on land leased from the State of Virginia near the Pendleton Military Reservation.