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Correspondence



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Dear Craig,

Just got the copy of the Newsletter and had a few minutes so thought I would write a quick note. We are all closed up here—have been for about a week now. There is about 2 feet of snow on the ground so needless to say, golf play has been at a seasonal low! The mountain opens for skiing on December 1, just about 3 weeks away. Obviously, this means we are for a *lot* more snow yet this month and if it snows on the mountain, you *know* it's gonna' snow on the golf course.

I thought the information from the survey results was quite interesting. The only problem is the disgustingly low response from the supers out there. But it's been that way for years and, sad but true, the quys who responded are the same ones who carry the ball and do the work.

The Golf Course Reporter is going to be doing an article in the next 2 or 3 months on our golf course along with the one in Vail. It will be an article on mountain resort courses and we are the two that will be covered. The guy at Vail, Ben Krueger, is a heck of a nice guy and a good super. He probably knows more about grass at high elevations than anyone else in the country. It ought to be a fun article.

This has been a great year. We've had a lot of play for this first season and next year promises to be even better. There have been several outings booked for next summer just becasuse of the golf course. And believe it or not, Steamboat is more of a summer town, by the number of visitors than a winter town.

But it's a great place and I wish all the guys from the Mid-Atlantic could get up to see it sometime. Who knows, maybe we'll have a National Conference here in 10 years!

Well, I'd better go check on the crew. We have been marking off greens with poles and twine to keep cross country skiiers off them. We have a lot of inter-collegiate and Junior National Championship meets here during the winter so protection of the greens is about the only winter problem. Much better than having to worry about Sunday play at Springfield every weekend.

See ya in New Orleans!

Denny McCammon STEAMBOAT SPRINGS COLORADO

Metric Changeover Easy for Australia

Austrailia's 10-year metric conversion program, which began in 1970, will be 75 percent complete by 1976, the country's metric conversion board said today. The board's annual report said the public has found little difficulty with the conversion so far.

It added that if the United States converted to the metric system, only 0.2 percent of the world's population would remain uncommitted to the system.

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