Poor Attendance at Monthly Meetings

This article is intended to be in conjunction with Bill Emerson's excellent "apathy of Mid Atlantic members" article. The context of which is from a recent board meeting of the Mid Atlantic when Bill Emerson presented a list of possible causes of poor attendance at our monthly meetings. Listed below are six items of importance:

- 1. Travelling time to the meetings.
- 2. Age of membership (retired not being replaced by young)
- 3. Cost of meals.
- 4. A need for more publicity.
- 5. More advance notice of the meetings.
 - 6. A need for program variety, time of day, etc.

The above listing is in an order of importance scaled from #1 being the most important to #6 being the least important. This is a result of a committee headed up by Bill as chairman.

You may disagree with some of our causes of poor attendance, or their placement of importance. Either way you feel, jot down some of your own ideas and bring them to our next meeting at Hillendale for open discussion. We need your input to improve our upcoming year. The board needs to know what's expected of our monthly meetings and how best to provide our members with a program for 1977 that will encourage higher attendance and participation from our membership.



Turf Equipment Inventory

The following inventory of turf equipment was prepared by John Bardleman, a senior turf student of Douglas Hawes at the University of Maryland. While the list was prepared for an 18 hole golf course, it is being reprinted here basically for current replacement value of your present inventory. It might also be used as a tool to suggest an increase in fire insurance for your present equipment, or as an aid in convincing membership that a more fire proof maintenance building would be in order for protection of the current investment in inventory. These prices are January 1976.

18-Hole Golf Course Inventory

| TRACTORS AND TRUCKS | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------|---|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| No. | Make | Model | Cost | | | | |
| 1 | Toro | F-10 Mowing Unit (Steel wheels) | \$13,500.00 | | | | |
| 1 | Toro | G-10 Tractor | 8,500.00 | | | | |
| 1 | Toro | G-10 Tractor with: | | | | | |
| | | P.T.O. | 360.00 | | | | |
| | 3-Pt. | | | | | | |
| | Hitch | | 565.00 | | | | |
| 1 | Chevy | 3-spd. 6 cyl. pick-up truck 3/4 ton | 4,300.00 | | | | |
| 1 | Ford | Gas engine tractor with front-end loader& | | | | | |
| | | back-hoe 3400 | 15,500.00 | | | | |
| 1 | Cushman | Trukster (dump model) | 3,000.00 | | | | |
| | | Total | \$45,725.00 | | | | |

MOWING EQUIPMENT

| Jacobsen | Greensking Triplex Greensmower | | 5,000.00 |
|----------|----------------------------------|-------|-------------|
| Jacobsen | 321 Greensmower | | 1,000.00 |
| Jacobsen | 76" Tee Mower with grass catcher | | 3,000.00 |
| Jacobsen | 20" Rotary Mower | | 284.00 |
| Toro | 50" Rotary (tractor mounted) | | 1,600.00 |
| Toro | 3-Gang Blitzer rough mower | | 2,400.00 |
| | | Total | \$13,284.00 |

MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT

| Cushman | Truckster with 3 wheel 18 Hp. | 3,600.00 |
|---------|---|----------|
| | Boom & Sprayer | 22.00 |
| Ryan | Sod-Master Sod cutter, 12" | 1,175.00 |
| Koffel | Trap Rake | 1,595.00 |
| Rogers | Leaf-Blower, tractor-mounted | 1,400 |
| Rogers | "4, B" hand-operated leaf-blower "Lo-Blo" | 325.00 |
| Rogers | Fairway Aerifier 7' | 2,500.00 |
| Hahn | Green and Tee Aerifier | 2,175.00 |
| Ryan | Soil Shredder (12") | 1,100.00 |
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