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October Meeting

On October 12, the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendent's will hold its annual golf tournament at Ocean Pines Golf & Country Club in Ocean City, Maryland.

Your host, Tom List, was born in Reisterstown, Maryland and graduated from the two year turf program at the University of Maryland in 1972. After graduation Tom accepted the position of Assistant under Mr. Bill Emerson at Eagle's Nest. In April of 1974 Tom left Eagle's Nest and became Superintendent at Ocean Pines. Tom and his wife, Debbie, and their daughter live in Berlin, Maryland.

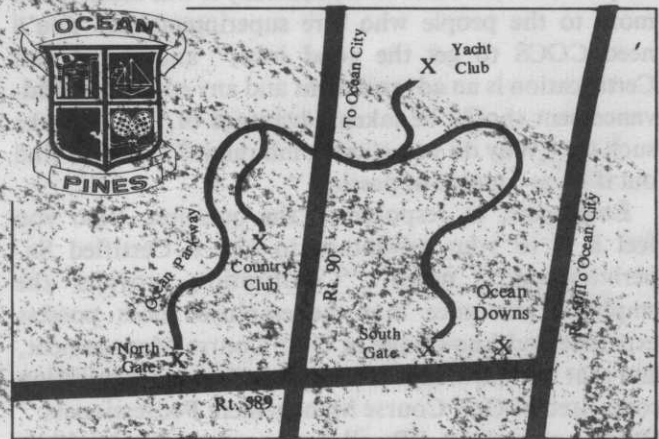
Construction of the golf course began in the Spring of 1969. The front nine opened for play in the Spring of 1972 but the back nine did not open until Spring of 1973. The course was designed by Robert Trent Jones and plays to 6927 yards from the blue tees at a course rating of 72.6.

The greens are Pencross Bentgrass and the tees are a combination of Blue, Rye, Bent, and some Bermuda grass. The fairways were originally seeded to Arizona Common Bermuda Grass but an overseeding program with perennial rye grass was started this fall on 4 fairways. An automatic Toro irrigation system waters the greens, trees, and fairways.

Golf will be available from 11:00 a.m. Carts are avail-

able and lunch is served at the Country Club on a cash basis. Dinner will be served at one of our dining facilities with a cash bar opening at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:30 p.m. Locker room facilities are available but are limited in size and number.

Directions: Take Route 50 East until you come to Route 589 (Ocean Downs Road) Turn left and proceed 3 miles to the North Gate of Ocean Pines. This is the second entrance that you come to. Turn right into the Pines and travel on Ocean Parkway for another 2 miles before turning right onto Country Club Drive. Follow this road to the Club.



Vandalism... There's Still Hope

Late one afternoon in mid May I observed two motor bikes driving up our entrance road in the vicinity of where our new 9 hole course is being constructed. After finishing a sodding job in the Pool area I selected the "Mighty Mike" from my crew and drove to the new nine expecting to find the whereabouts of the two motor bikes. After a brief search we observed them by our third green lying on a sunny slope with their bikes parked.

The green had been seeded about 10 days prior and had just started to show a familiar green tint. Unfortunately it had more of a brown color on this day because these two bikes had just completed their sickening but familiar act of "wheelies" throughout the green!

As my "Mighty Mike" and I approached them they lackadiasically got their possessions together and proceeded across the green once more on their way off the property. I walked to within four feet of them before they hastily retreated, wrote down their license tag number and both "Mighty Mike" and I got a good look at the "operators".

Within minutes the police were on the site. By using the registration numbers the police called the Department of Motor Vehicles and before the police report was completed we had the names and addresses of these characters. The police then suggested that I go to the Commissioner's office and file a warrant for their

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