Compliments of Metropolitan Golf Course Superintendents Association

MGCSA NEWS:

It was a perfect day for our meeting at Mt. Kisco. Fred Scheyhing had a great welcome-back day. He took a lot of kidding, but the golf course was in superb condition. Greens were fast and firm, and fairways nice and tight. It was a different course from previous times when it was so wet. I asked Fred about it and he said at previous meetings it always had rained hard the night before. He also might have changed some things after his stay in Baltimore. I am not a golfer, as you all know, but Mt. Kisco C.C. was the way a golf course should play. Fred and the Mt. Kisco staff followed it up with the great steak cookout. Everybody was letting off steam and the meeting was delayed. Paul Sartoretto did a good job with his Compatability Of Pesticides with some able assistance from an anonymous fan in the audience. We had a turnout of about 100 for dinner with another 60 reservations. We have to do better than that.

Whenever you talk to anybody about this season, one of the responses that repeats itself is that there is more play everywhere. This is good for the clubs to generate business, but it can get to the extreme when excessive play takes its toll in the end on the overall playing condition of the golf course. Everybody looks to a Monday in most cases, to catch up on maintenance, watering, spiking etc. If you can't do it then, it usually doesn't get done because of play the rest of the week. The golfers have had a banner year with hardly a weekend that I can recall that they were not able to play both Saturday and Sunday. Let's pray for a nice rain. We need it not only to refresh grass, but to replenish our water supply. When you pump water just about everyday, it doesn't take too long to take down the lake. It certainly will be reflected in your electricity costs.

You all probably have received your Maintenance Survey from the MGA. Please try to fill it out and return it as soon as possible. MGCSA is co-sponsoring the survey.

Garry Crothers



The Three Musketeers, left to right, Hans Richter, manager of the Mt. Kisco C.C., Fred Scheyhing, Jr. and Chef Raymond Buch. Looks like Fred is *really* back home. Ed.

Which of our Mid-Atlantic Golf Courses is this?

HINT: We've been there this year.



ANSWER: Next Month



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