

Mid-Atlantic Turfgrass Booster Tournament

Bob Orazi

Dr. Fred Grau's article in the April issue of the Mid-Atlantic Newsletter explained the history and goals of the Musser Foundation. Two points worth mentioning again are (1) that the proceeds will be split 50-50 with the Musser Foundation and the Maryland Turfgrass Council (2) funds will be used "to give financial aid to exceptional graduate students working toward advanced degrees in turfgrass management." What's being discussed is the future of turfgrass research both on a local and national level.

Several committees have been organized to help with the planning and running of such a tournament. The following is a list of these committees and the people who will head each committee. Your personal time and support is not only requested but suggested. I'm sure that most of you have had some experience and can devote some time in helping run this tournament in some capacity.

Advisory Committee Dr. Fred Grau
 Host Committee Herb Heinlein
 Golf Committee Ken Braun
 Prize Committee Dave Kroll
 Finance Committee Merrill Frank
 Publicity Committee Russ Bull
 Sponsorship Committee Bill Emerson
 Co-Chairman - John Strickland and Sam Kessell
 Chairman - Bob Orazi

Details, format etc., will be discussed in future articles of the Newsletters. In the meantime, circle August 21 on your calendar and start looking for 3 other players to make up your foursome.

VP's Report

Ron Hall

This will be my last month to report about this year's meeting sites. As of this writing, we've filled all dates. Volunteers Wally Stedding and Bob Shields have offered themselves as hosts for June and October. Considering the reluctance of volunteers this year, we all should offer a *special thanks* to each host who is proud enough of his work to put it on display.

In order to avoid a difficulty next year, I'm asking for volunteers NOW. To set an example, I will take one date: May 1980, Maryland Golf and Country Club will host the 9th annual Superintendent/Pro Tournament. OK, the rest of you fellows, let's act now and fill 1980.

Board Meeting Briefs

Ben Stagg

The main items of interest from the March Board meeting are as follows:

The Maryland Turf Grass Council is developing a statewide survey. Bill Emerson is our representative on the committee developing this survey.

Treasurer M. McKenzie reports that as of March 21, the Mid-Atlantic now has 138 PAID members.

The board approved the following new members/changes:

George E. Hoenig - Shenandoah Valley G. C.
 Class B to A

Frank W. Shirk III - Prospect Plantation G. C.
 Class A

Joel A. Ratcliff - Goose Creek G. C.
 Class D

Steve Nash reported some startling figures on prospective members, be sure to read his article this month.

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