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## U.S. Naval Academy - Election Meeting



The December meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents will be held at the U.S.N.A. Golf Course on December 9, 1980. Our host will be Michael B. McKenzie, who has been employed there since 1973. Mike graduated from the University of Maryland's Institute of Applied Agriculture Turfgrass and Golf Course Management Program in 1967. After graduating, Mike spent two years in the U.S. Army, fourteen months of that in Vietnam. In 1969 to 1972, Mike was Assistant Golf Course Superintendent at River Bend Golf and Country Club under Thomas Haske. Mike then went to Goose Creek C.C. as Superintendent before going to the Naval Academy.

The greens consist of a mixture of bentgrasses; Seaside, Washington, Congressional, Arlington, Cohansey, Penncross and of course Poa Annua.

They are mowed four times a week at 3/16" with walking mowers as they only average about 4000 sq. ft. The greens receive 4 lbs. N/1000 per year. Some of the tees are 100% Bluegrass; A-34, Baron and Adelphi, but the majority are Bluegrass and a lot of Ryegrass with some bermudagrass.

The tees are cut a 3/4" and receive 3 lbs. of N/year. The fairways are a mixture of Bluegrass and bermudagrass and are over seeded with ryegrass. We are, however, pushing the bermuda on some fairways. The fairways are mowed at 3/4" with 10 blade reels. We mow all the fairways on Mondays and Fridays. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday we alternate nines. The fairways receive 2 lbs. N/year.

We have a fully automatic Griswold irrigation system with Thompson sprinklers. We also have a 566' well that puts out 300 gpm to keep our small pond full.

### President's Message

As the saying goes "time flies when your having fun". Its been fun, gratifying and rewarding serving as your President, an experience I will long remember.

I'm happy to report your Mid-Atlantic Association has had a very successful year. Attendance at our monthly meetings has been excellent and participation in our special events; Superintendent - Pro, Picnic and Ladies Night were also well received.

Our successful year is a reflection of the hard work and planning administered by your Board of Directors and Newsletter Editor. Congratulations and Thank You fellows.

Thank you membership for allowing me to serve as your President.

December 9 is our annual election meeting. A & B members have the privilege to voicing their opinions on the management of the association and voting for a new slate of officers for the coming year.

Now is your chance to air your grievances. See you at the Naval Academy.

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Looking forward to seeing you.

Mike



Michael B. McKenzie

Program for the day -

Golf - Anytime

Lunch - EM Club 11:00 - 1:00

Cocktails - 5:00 P.M.

Dinner - 6:00 P.M.

Directions to the Club and Meeting:

From Washington go east on Route 50, cross the Severn River Bridge and take exit Baltimore-Naval Academy, keep right (Route 450). From Baltimore take Route 2 toward Annapolis, follow signs to Naval Academy (Route 450). From Eastern Shore take Route 50 to 450.

Follow 450 to light, turn left. Keep right to the light. For golf go straight to the course. For dinner and Meeting keep right to the Guard House. Tell the guard that you would like to go to the EM Club (Enlisted Mess Open) which is the first left passed the guard house.