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Welcome to Chevy Chase

For the first time in the history of the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents, we will be holding a meeting at the prestigious Chevy Chase Club, on November 11, 1980, William J. Emerson host Superintendent.

The Chevy Chase Club was founded in 1895. The golf course layout, with very few modifications, is the same as it's been since the mid 1920's. There are a total of 190 acres at Chevy. The golf course measures 6,500 yards; men's par is 69. There are 4-par 3's, 13-par 4's and 1-par 5. Chevy Chase has automatic irrigation around the greens and on the tees with quick couplers in the fairways.

The greens average 6,000 sq. ft. They are cut every day possible in season at 3/16". They receive 3 1/2 lbs. of N annually with supplemental summer feeding using iron and trace elements. The turf on the greens is by now best described as a "Heinz" mix with Penncross overseeded at 1/2 lb./1000 sq. ft. every fall. A preventative program for diseases, insects and weeds is followed but not always 100% successfully. They receive a heavy topdressing every fall.

Tees and aprons are cut at 7/16" every other day. The turf is predominately cool season with some bermuda encroaching. The tees average 4,500 sq. ft.

The 36 acres of fairways are cut 3 times each week at 3/4" in the spring and fall, and 1" in July and August. They receive 3 lbs. of N yearly; 2 lbs in the fall and 1 lb. in the late spring. The fairways are over seeded with 80% ryegrass - 20% bluegrass at 100 lbs. per acre. Fungicides are applied on a curative basis, insecticides applied on a curative basis, insecticides applied as needed and crabgrass is controlled with a preventative program.

The rough's are cut weekly or less at 2".

Bill's personal background - "I was going to be a priest but I had such a back log of penance to do that the almighty thought that if I spent my years here as a Golf Course Superintendent, I might be close to even by the time I got there."



President's Message

Congratulations to Bob Orazi and committee for their hard work in pulling off a successful Mid-Atlantic Booster Tournament held at Baltimore Country Club on September 23, 1980.

Host Superintendent Merrill Frank and staff had the Five Farms Course in excellent condition. Playing conditions that made everyone envious. "Congratulations, Merrill".

Although the fund raising event is still in its infant stage, it has been a tremendous success. With more support and participation, the tournament will be a valuable tool in funding the future of the turfgrass industry.

Bill Emerson always rolls out the red carpet for his fellow superintendents.

Don't miss an opportunity to play one of the finest in the Mid-Atlantic.

Watch out for the "traps".

See you at Chevy Chase.



PROGRAM FOR THE DAY

Golf - Anytime - Please note on return card:

A. Desired starting time

B. Cart or Caddy

Carts are available by club rule to those that

are: 1. over 65 years old

2. have a medical reason

Lockers and shower facilities are available at main clubhouse - Please see the attendant.

Lunch - available at the Winter Center by either cash or club account number.

Cocktails - Cash Bar - 5:30 p.m. in the upstairs ball room, main clubhouse.

Dinner - 7:00 p.m. - \$16.00

CARDS MUST BE RETURNED

CLUB RULE CALLS FOR JACKET AND TIE AFTER 5:00 P.M.

Please Note: The Mid-Atlantic will be the personal guests of Bill Emerson. Make checks payable to the Mid-Atlantic A. of G.C.S.

Directions to Club - From Washington Beltway go south on Connecticut Avenue, after passing Bradley Lane, take the immediate right through entrance in stone wall.

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