

Presidents Message

I was out early this morning enjoying the solitude of an empty golf course. With a red sun coming up through the pine trees and a water hose in my hand, it seemed like a good time to think out my President's message for the August newsletter. We haven't had any measureable rainfall in July at Hogs Neck and the dry spots are starting to show.

As I returned to my Cushman, I see the hose washer that I neglected to fix was putting a stream of water directly on the seat of my truckster. So here I sit with a wet butt trying to meet our Newsletter's deadline and thinking our jobs are too serious of a business in July so you don't need anything too heavy from me. As I indicated in my first President's message, I wanted this year to be a fun year and you have made the first half of this year fun for me.

Best wishes to George Cleaver and his wife Susie, as George moves on to a busy life in Lewes, Delaware. George's expertise was evident everywhere as we played Chestnut Ridge. After a fine dinner, Lee Dieter and a panel of Mike Larsen, Dave Fairbank, Paul O'Leary and Ken Ingram did a great job of discussing their fairway spraying programs.

Social Chairman, Paul Barefoot says he's all set for food and fun at the August picnic. Everyone come and take a break from the golf course.

Hope to see you all there,
BEN

GOLF

The results of the match play finals are as follows:

5th Flight — Wayne Evans defeated Mike McKenzie

4th Flight — Bill Neus defeated Al Watson

1st Flight — Harry Allen defeated Tom Regan

The third flight match between Joel Ratcliff and Walter Montross, and the second flight match between Virgil Robinson and Ron Hall will be played before the end of July at locations to be determined by the participants.

The results of the regular golf competition at Chestnut Ridge are as follows:

Low Gross — 1st - Ron Hall - 74

2nd - Bill Shirk - 77

Low Net — 1st - Bob Miller - 62

2nd - Stanley Lawson - 64

Guests —

Low Gross — Frank Sanzaro - 76

Low Net — Rob Nelson - 67

*Reminder — The September meeting with the Philadelphia Association will be in the Atlantic City, N.J. area, so make plans to attend and play in the team matches.

FOR SALE

Jacobsen F-10 7 gang — Very Good Condition — \$10,600.00. 8 years old - mowers reconditioned every 2 years. Please contact Army Perry — (703) 751-5256.

August 11 Mid-Atlantic Picnic Bretton Woods Recreation Center

Bretton Woods was designed by Edmond Ault and opened for play in the spring of 1968. Tees and fairways were originally seeded to Highland and Astoria bent. Every year since then, the fairways have been overseeded to perennial ryegrasses and bluegrasses. The tees have been changed to either Penncross bent or bluegrass. Roughs are a mixture of K-31 tall fescue and bluegrass and are mowed at 2½ inches. The greens are Penncross and are mowed 4 to 5 times a week during the growing season.

The manual irrigation system is in the process of being converted to an automatic system. All work is being done by the maintenance crew. As you play golf or tour the golf course, see if you can pick out the greens that have been treated with Rubigan. Ten greens are presently being treated.

Gerald Gerard graduated from the Institute of Applied Agriculture in the spring of 1968 and immediately came to Bretton Woods. He received the GCSAA Scholarship Award in 1967, became a certified water and wastewater treatment plant operator in 1971, and received his Golf Course Superintendents Certification in 1975. He has served as Educational chairman of the Mid-Atlantic and presently the Treasurer.

Program for the Day

GOLF: Anytime. 9 hole Mixed Scotch Foursome Tournament (Scotch-partners playing one ball, hitting alternate shots). There will also be a tournament for Juniors. Sign up in the Pro Shop.

SWIMMING: After 11:00 a.m.

FOOD: 1:30 p.m.

As in the past, this picnic is a cooperative. Families are asked to volunteer either a covered-dish (picnic salads, macaroni, potato, etc.) or a dessert. The Mid-Atlantic will supply hot dogs, hamburgers, crabs, ribs, sweet corn, beer and sodas. If you have any questions contact Paul Barefoot.

Directions to the Club: Take River Road Exit from the Washington Beltway (495) toward Potomac. The Club is 11½ miles from the Beltway on the left.

Future Penn State Turfgrass Conferences

August 11 & 12, 1982 — Penn State Field Days

December 7 - 9, 1982 — Western Penn Turf & Grounds Maintenance School

February 28 - March 3, 1983 — Penn Turfgrass Conference and Trade Show