

MARCH 9th MEETING SPRINGFIELD GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

Springfield G. and C.C. was opened for play in the summer of 1960. The course was designed by Eddie Ault and constructed by home developer Edward Carr. The course measures 6259 yards from the white and 6475 yards from the blue tees, par is 71. The greens are composed of C-1, C-19, Penncross and Poa, average size is 5200 sq.ft. They are mowed 6-7 times a week at 3/16". The tees, collars and fairways are composed of many different Perennial ryegrasses and some Poa. The tees and collars are mowed at 11/16", 3-4 times a week and the fairways at 13/16", 3 times a week. Irrigation is automatic and is fed by 2 lakes comprising about 7 acres. The main problem we face at Springfield is the amount of play which, in the last two years has averaged 50,000 plus rounds per year.

Our host, Walter Montross has been with Springfield G. and C.C. for the past 3 years. Before that he worked as an assistant at Washington G. and C.C. and at the U.S. Naval Academy Golf Course. He graduated from the Institute of Applied Agriculture at the University of Maryland in 1975. He is recently married to Linda Sharrard.

Program for the Day

Golf: Anytime after 10:00 a.m.
Lunch: available (cash or charge)
Cocktails: 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. (cash bar)
Dinner: 7:00 p.m. (\$13.50)

Directions to the club: I-95 south to Springfield exit. Take Keene Mill Road (Rt. 644) West 3 miles, club is on the left.

MEMBERSHIP

New Members:

The following names have been presented to the Board of Directors for approval as members of the Mid-Atlantic.

Ken Combs, Leisure World Corp.
Jeff Yingling..... Class G
Danial Rozinak, Swan Creek C.C..... Class B
Reclassification — Lester Tanner..... B to A
Chip McDonald..... F to A

A LETTER TO THE MEMBERSHIP

Fellow members:

Thanks to each and every Mid-Atlantic member for your support during the recent election process of the GCSAA. Leading up to and during the recent conference in New Orleans your advice and council was very helpful.

I especially thank my good friends Ron Hall, voting delegate, Mike Larsen, alternate and Angie Cammarota, our political "Godfather", for their hand work on my behalf. I assure you they didn't leave a vote unturned.

I'm sorry to report to you that inspite of all our efforts it just wasn't in the cards this time. We finished third in a five candidate race. So to incoming GCSAA President James Wyllie and our new Executive Committee we say good luck and much success in the coming year and if there's anything we can do for the good of GCSAA, call on us.

Your friend and fellow member,
Bill Emerson

ODDS AND ENDS

The 1982 Match Play tournament will begin next month at Hogs Neck Golf Course. Anyone interested in participating in this years tournament, please contact Paul O'Leary, Golf Chairman.

On January 22, 1982 the Mid-Atlantic said Good Bye to long time member and past President George Thompson. George has left Columbia C.C. to take the position of Golf Course Superintendent at the Country Club of North Carolina. Ken Ingram has returned to Columbia to take the Supt. position left vacant by George.

The University of Maryland Extension Service is no longer recommending the planting of oak trees, particularly the white oak. White oak, the Maryland State tree, is a preferred food of the Gypsy Moth. The Gypsy Moth will also feed on alder, apple, birch, box-elder, hawthorn, larch, linden, mountain ash, poplar, black spruce, sumac and willows. Trees that the Gypsy Moth will avoid are Tulip poplar, sycamore, ash, catalpa, dogwood, hackberry, honey locust, horse chestnut, persimmon, walnut, osage orange, mulberry, holly, arborvitea and juniper.

Scholarship winners at Turfgrass 82:
GCSAA Scholarship to Jim Kelley, Institute of Applied Agriculture.
Parker Shirling Scholarship to Elizabeth Hersh.