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Annual Championship Scheduled at OCG&YC

The annual Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents championship will be played October 11 at Ocean City Golf and Yacht Club. As in past years, the format will be 18 holes of stroke play, with both net and gross prizes being awarded. In addition, two trophies are at stake—the Glover Trophy donated by the G.L. Cornell Co., which goes to the low gross winner among Class A and B members, and the Rueben Hines Trophy given by Bert Yingling which goes to the low net winner among all classes of membership.

The golf course will be open to play at 8 a.m., but tournament entrants will probably be making up their foursomes anytime after 9:30. For further information, contact golf co-chairman Walter Montross or George Renault.

WE'RE COMPUTERIZED

This month's newsletter is mailed using new computer-printed labels from Ken Braun's computer, based on an updated mailing list that will be used to produce the new membership directory. If there are errors in your label, please contact the editor or Ken. Some updating is still needed in cases where members have moved and their forwarding has expired.

Match Play Final Is Set for November

Bob Orazi and Dave Kroll will meet in the final of our match play tournament, probably at the November 8 meeting at Leisure World. Kroll defeated Walter Montross 8 and 7 when he posted a fine 77 that won low gross at Bonnie View in September, and Orazi reached the final round with the help of a default from Wayne Evans.

Oct. 11 Meeting is at Ocean City Golf & Yacht Club

by George Murphy, Superintendent

Ocean City Golf & Yacht Club, the site of our October 11 meeting and the annual Superintendents' Championship, was founded in 1959 by a group of local businessmen. The original 18 holes were designed and built by Dave and Bill Gordon, and in 1970 an additional nine holes were added, designed and constructed by Russell Roberts.

Because of the heavy play on the course in 1982, it was decided to build another nine holes this year. Russell Roberts has designed and is constructing the new nine, which presently is in its final work phase and nearly complete. Weather permitting, we hope to open it in June 1984, for limited play.

The original 18 greens were seeded with Penncross bent. Extensive work was done to develop Bermuda on tees and in fairways. The fertilizer program for fairways is 400 pounds per acre of 13-3-9, applied once a year in late October or early November.

Greens are fertilized twice yearly with IBDU not to exceed four pounds of N, giving good color and very little growth. Bensulide is used for crab grass control; however, looking at No. 5 and No. 6 greens, you would say nothing was used.

The nine new greens and tees are being seeded with Penncross bent, while the fairways are being seeded with K-31 fescue, Palmer II, and Prelude.

Greens are cut a minimum of four

times a week at ¼ inch, with extensive thinning of several of them due to extremely heavy play. Fairways are cut two times weekly (three times in the spring, when there is more growth) at ¼ inch. The present 27 holes are completely irrigated with an automatic system.

Directions to the club are as follows: Take Route 50 east to Ocean City, Md.; three-quarters of a mile short of the bridge at Ocean City, take Route 611 south for approximately 8 miles to South Point Road. Bear right at the fork in the road, and the club will appear on your right.

Program

- Golf — anytime after 8 a.m. (carts, \$6 per person)
- Lunch available
- 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., cash bar with hors d'oeuvres
- 6:30 — Dinner (roast beef and Crab Imperial, baked potato, lima beans, hot rolls, peach cobbler, \$15)

Some motels where you might want to stay if you plan to be in Ocean City overnight are:

- Santa Maria Motel, 15th and Boardwalk, (301) 289-7191
- Quality Inn, 17th and Boardwalk, (301) 289-4401
- Quality Inn, 54th and Ocean, (301) 524-7200
- Holiday Inn, 67th and Ocean, (301) 524-1600

Turf Management Workshop Planned

All interested Mid-Atlantic members are invited to attend the Fourth Annual Management Workshop of the Professional Grounds Management Society, to be held November 16 at Turf Valley Country Club. For further information, contact Jeff Bourne at (301) 997-0715.

A HEARTFELT THANKS

Picnic chairman Paul Barefoot extends the Association's thanks for the following contributions to the success of the picnic: Ben Stagg for the crabs; Tesco for the beer; Dick Doyle and John Strickland for the corn; Cornell Chemicals for the sodas; Tom Harris for the watermelons; Sue Kessel for masterminding the children's games; and all those who also helped.