



Dobereiner Picked For Ross Award

The Donald Ross Award, given by the American Society of Golf Course Architects, was presented to Peter Dobereiner, golf writer for the London Observer and columnist for Golf Digest magazine at the annual meeting of the society held on April 20 at Park County House in Killarney, Ireland. He was honored for raising the awareness level of golf course architects through his writings.

Previous Ross Award winners are Robert Trent Jones, Herbert Warren Wind, Herb Graffis, Joe Graffis, Joe Dey, Gerald Micklem, James Rhodes, Geoffrey Cornish, Al Radko, and Dinah Shore.

Meeting Schedule, 1985

- May 14 — Woodmont C.C. (Supt.-Pro Tournament), Mike Larsen, Host
- June 11 — Montgomery C.C., Jeff Miskin, Host
- July 9 — Winters Run G.C. (luncheon meeting), John Drew, Host
- August 13 — Bretton Woods, Annual Picnic, Gerry Gerard, Host
- September 10 — Hobbits Glen G.C., Bill Neus, Host
- October 14 — International C.C., Steve Nash, Host
- November 12 — Hunt Bailey G.C., Bob Orazi, Host
- December 10 — Naval Academy, Mike McKenzie, Host

An Architect's View Multiple Tees

by Bob Lohmann

A well-designed golf hole is playable by all classes of golfers, is easily maintained and is pleasantly attractive to the eye. In our highly geometric and mechanical society, the golf course should provide a desirable diversity of natural landscape. We require diversity in the landscape. If we build a home in the forest, we will clear the backyard; if we build a home in a farmland subdivision, we will surround it with trees and shrubs. When people go to a golf course, it should be scenic and orderly as well as diverse. The order present in a golf course is the progression from tee to green to succeeding tee. The diversity of the golf course is the different sizes, shapes, and locations of the design elements. This combination of order and natural diversity, if designed and built properly, is what makes a pleasingly scenic golf course.

As in everything, you have to start someplace, and as we all know, a golf hole starts with a tee. In earlier years, the tees were known as "starting boxes." Many people today still refer to them as "tee boxes." As I travel to many courses, especially older models, I see many of the "tee boxes." They are small, square or rectangular, and lack the natural beauty that should be present on a golf course. Not only are they unattractive, but they are hard to maintain as well. Because only one small tee is used, the superintendent is limited to where he can place the tee markers. He never has the opportunity to close off or rest part of the tee to allow the grass to grow properly.

The tees on the older courses have become surrounded by older trees that are large, full shade giving, and air blocking. No one enjoys removing trees, especially an older specimen. But the lack of air circulation and sunlight makes it extremely difficult to grow

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with full facilities, and a 9-hole golf course was built, along with two tennis courts. Town and Country Club changed its name to Woodmont Country Club in 1930, and in 1947 the club added another 9 holes to the golf course.

In 1948, however, faced with the desire of the U.S. Government to expand NIH, Woodmont purchased its present site of some 550 acres in Rockville and opened at the new location in August 1950. The clubhouse built at that time has been enlarged and refurbished three times since 1950, a third 9 holes were added to the original 18-hole course in 1956, and a fourth 9 was completed in 1960. The club, which now has 22 tennis courts, is one of the largest country clubs in the United States, with approximately 1,100 families making it among the busiest as well.

Bert Yingling Leads In Match Play Event

In the first round of the annual Match Play Championship, played at Hog Neck Golf Course on April 9, Jeff Miskin defeated Dan Rozinak, Ken Keller beat John Johns, Virgil Robinson won over Jeff Yingling, Bert Yingling defeated Walter Montross, George Renault beat Mike Larsen, Lee Dieter was the winner over Steve Cohoon, Bill Neus defeated Dave Fairbank, and Nick Vance won over Ken Ingram.

The point standings after the first round are as follows: Bert Yingling, 3+4; Bill Neus, 3+3; Nick Vance, 3+2, George Renault, 3+2; Virgil Robinson, 3+2; Ken Keller, 3+2; Jeff Miskin, 3+2; Lee Dieter, 2½+2; Steve Cohoon, ½; Dan Rozinak, 0; John Johns, 0; Jeff Yingling, 0; Walter Montross, 0; Mike Larsen, 0; Dave Fairbank, 0; Ken Ingram, 0.

In second round matches, to be played June 11 at Montgomery Country Club, Miskin will meet Dieter, Rozinak will play Stagg, Johns will take on Neus, Keller will go up against Fairbank, Robinson will meet Ingram, Jeff Yingling will play Vance, Bert Yingling will take on Larsen, Montross will meet Renault, and Cohoon will play Gieselman.

Tuula Wright New Sales Manager

Executive Director John Schilling of GCSAA has announced the appointment of Tuula K. Wright as Sales and Production Manager, with primary duties in the area of advertising sales for *Golf Course Management* and exhibit booth sales for the association's mid-year and annual conferences. She has had extensive experience in this field as well as in publishing and printing.

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