



# Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents NEWSLETTER

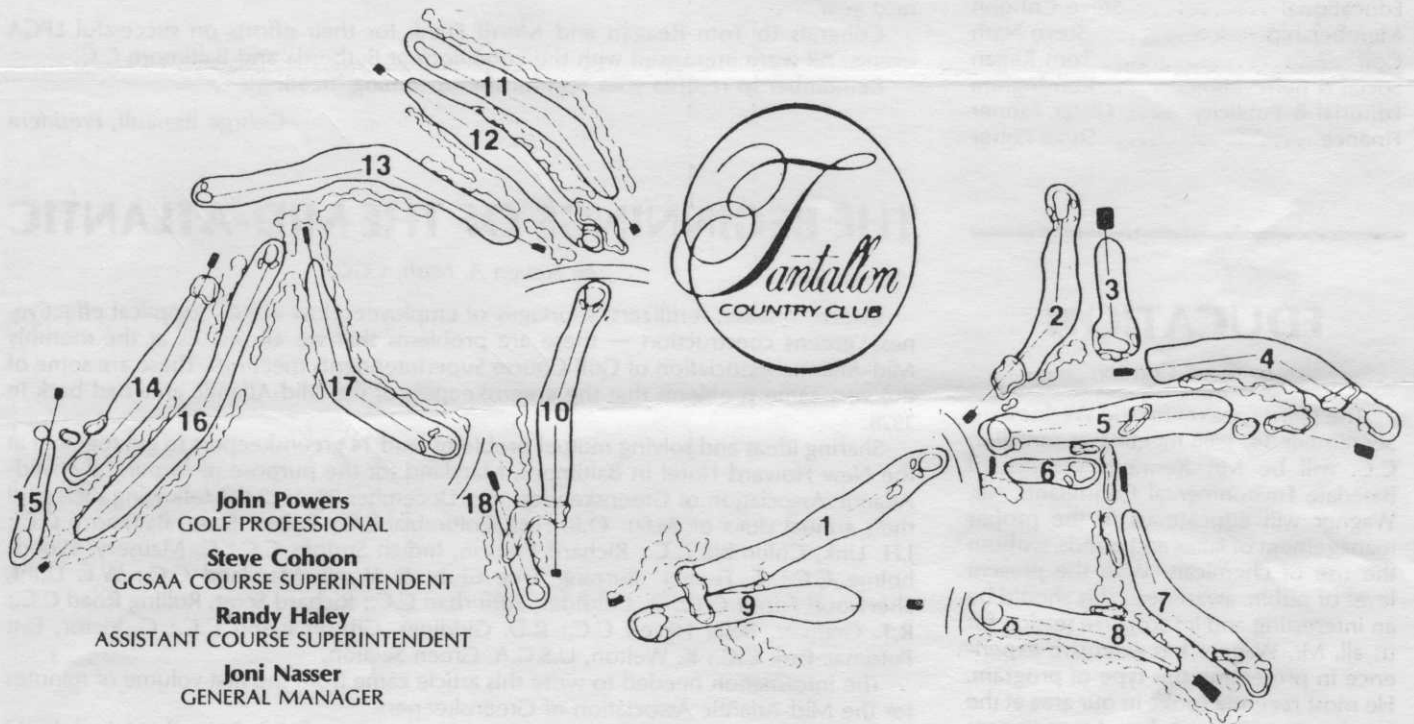


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## September Meeting - Wednesday, September 14 - Tantallon C.C.



Steve Cohoon is our host for the meeting. We would like to remind everyone again that the meeting is being held on WEDNESDAY this month. Please remember to call in your reservation by Friday, September 9th, (301) 381-0030, Thanks. Members of our association will be able to play golf from noon on. Call for a tee time, (301) 292-0003. Cocktails will be served at 6:00 p.m. (cash bar) and a buffet dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. The cost will be \$10.00 per person.

Tantallon Country Club is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. The course was completed in the Spring of 1963. The front nine was completed the previous year. The layout was designed by Theodore Robinson and measures 6,730 yards and is rated at 72.5 from the blue tees. It sits on the shore of the Potomac in a woody, natural setting. Steve invites you to come to the meeting and play the course. He'd like you to see the course now and perhaps come back to see some

of the improvements they are planning. Sand bunker renovation, cart path installation, conversion of the fairways to Bermuda grass, and the upgrading of the manual system to automatic are among the long range plans for the club. Other improvements in the works are the reconstruction of greens 7, 11, 13 and 15, several of the tees, and the planting of ornamentals, flower beds, and other aesthetic improvements. Steve reports that he's also implemented an equipment replacement program. Quite an ambitious program underway for a first year on the job Steve. We sure will be pleased to come back again and see the fruits of these plans and your efforts.

Steve reports the following conditions and maintenance practices at Tantallon. The Poa/Bent greens are growing on three to six inches of prepared top dressing on a clay base. They receive 3# of N. per year, and are treated with Ronstar/Betesan product in April. They are mowed

six times a week at 11/64". The greens are inclined to have summer patch problems, as they have this year. Steve plans to deep tine aerify them this fall and start on a TGR program. The tees are bent/blue/rye/bermuda, receive 3# of N. per year and receive an application of Pendmethelin at 2# per A. The fairways right now, as Steve explains, are Bermuda grass and dead cool season grasses. They were treated with Ronstar in April. The fairways and tees are mowed 3 times a week at 3/4".

The University of Maryland is Steve's alma mater. He graduated from the institute of applied agriculture in 1982. He was working as George Renault's assistant at the time at Penderbrook Country Club. When George moved to Chevy Chase, Steve took over as the Superintendent of the club. He remained at Penderbrook five years, until this May when he moved to Tantallon. Steve is now

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