

MAAGCS Golf Notes

The golf tournament for the July 14, meeting at Caroline Country Club was our Two-Man Team Championship. Thirty-eight teams enjoyed a relaxing day of golf in the "Land of Pleasant Living", courtesy of Jim McHenry and all the fine folks at Caroline Country Club. Thanks, Jim, to you and your staff for a great job! The day's winners were:

Net

- 1st Jim Weaver/Mike King
 2nd John Anderes/Andy Rosewag
 3rd Steve Cohoon/George Renault
 4th Lance Ernst/Gary Luchs
 5th Paul Masimore/Michael Evans

Gross

- 1st Glenn Smickley/Paul Brandon
 2nd Tim Norris/Corey Haney
 3rd Jim McHenry/Scott Wagner
 4th Jeff Michel/Phil Davidson
 5th Jeff Facto/Tom Mynaugh

Closest to the Hole

- #3 Archie Hall
 #9 Gary Luchs
 #12 Tom Tokarski
 #15 Gordy Caldwell

Long Drive #16 Matt Richter

Closest to the Line #10 Gary Harshman

There was no formal golf event in conjunction with the August picnic, but that didn't deter sixty-one golfers from challenging South River Golf Links prior to the crabs and camaraderie. Thanks to John Newcomb, CGCS, the Birneys, and everyone at South River Golf Links for having us again, this year.

The second annual Superintendent/Club Official Tournament was held September 8, at Greystone Golf Course. Greystone certainly lived up to it's advanced billing, Drew Scully and his staff did a great job in preparing the golf course, which truly challenged us with its treacherous greens. Charlie Poole and his partner, Terry Morgan didn't have any trouble as they distanced themselves from the rest of the field with a net 59. Nick Vance, CGCS, and his partner, Steve Melton won the gross division

with a fine 74, after opening with a triple bogey. Congratulations to the winners and all who participated! The day's winners were:

Net

- 1st Charlie Poole/Terry Morgan (59)
 2nd Mike Barrett/Bob Paskill (66)
 3rd Bill Neus/Bob Bellamy (67)

Gross

- 1st Nick Vance/Steve Melton (74)
 2nd Paul O'Leary/Ray Daue (75)

Closest to the Hole

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| #4 Spike Dniel (11'8") | #8 Jim Halley (4'11") |
| #12 Nick Vance (4'3") | #14 Rich Isaac (10") |
| #16 Bill Hall (10'6") | |

Long Drive #5 Steve Melton (357 yards!)

While we more than doubled last year's inaugural field, participation in this event is nowhere close to what we would like it to be. Undoubtedly, many of you were in the process of aerification and fall renovation and could not get away for the day. However, there seems to be a reluctance on the part of many superintendents to play golf with their club officials. This tournament is a wonderful opportunity to showcase our association to our club officials in a relaxed, enjoyable environment. It also allows our club officials to network with one another and with superintendents. Next year's tournament will be held in conjunction with our June meeting at Chevy Chase Club. If we can double participation again next year we will begin to approach the goal we have set for this event. I hope that in the next few years the Superintendent/Club Official Tournament will take on the same stature as our Superintendent/Professional.

The following companies have sponsored our past two golf tournaments: Ault, Clark & Associates, Finch Services, G. L. Cornell, Newsom Seed, Scotts Pro Turf, Summit Hall, and Zeneca. Please be sure to thank these companies for their continuing support of the MAAGCS.

Our Annual Championship will be held October 13, at Mount Vernon Country Club, with Jeff Michel, CGCS, as our host. Due to an unfortunate scheduling conflict the MET Tournament, being played this year at the Country Club of Connecticut, is also the same day. If you would like to play in this year's MET Tournament which features teams from Superintendents Associations throughout the northeast please contact me so that we can try to field a team. My telephone number is (301) 249-6116. We need eight players, four for a gross team and four for a net team.

Get your game in shape and join us on October 13!