

# TURFGRASS MATTERS

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## 2003 Annual Meeting Minutes



The Annual Meeting of the Mid Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents was held December 9, 2003, at the Greenbelt Marriott. President Jim Halley called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

President Halley welcomed the attendees and stated the MAAGCS Board had an ambitious agenda in 2003 which was to get the Association back on track after the resignation of the Executive Secretary (Charlotte Norris) in early 2003. He recognized the new Executive Secretary hired by the Board in the spring of 2003, Mrs. Theresa Baria whom he recognized as being a great new addition for the Association and who had effected a relatively smooth transition. President Halley proceeded to recognize the current Board individually for their accomplishments during 2003, most notably Mr. Ken Ingram, CGCS, effort for the 75th Anniversary celebration. President Halley thanked the Board for 2003.

A new Board was elected:

President Mr. Ken Ingram, CGCS Bretton Woods  
Vice President Drew Scully, CGCS, BCRA  
Secretary Tom Ritter, CGCS, Hampshire Greens  
Treasurer John Newcomb, CGCS

New Directors:

Bryan McFerren, University of Maryland G.C.  
Randall Pinckney, Piney Branch CC  
John Stevens, CGCS, Chesapeake Bay Golf Club

President Ken Ingram, CGCS, presented Michael Evans with a plaque recognizing his years of service to the Board of Directors.

Tom Ritter, CGCS, announced that Kevin Nash, a student at the UMDIAA, and employee at Greystone Golf Course sponsored by Mark Menusan was the recipient of the MAAGCS scholarship.

Mark Kingora, Director of the Golf Committee announced Rick Wakefield, CGCS was the MAAGCS player of the year. Randall Pinckney was 2nd.

The gavel was passed from Jim Halley to new President Ken Ingram, CGCS. Mr. Ingram made a few brief comments about the new Executive Secretary, the rich tradition of the MAAGCS, and his hope to improve the current 10% participation level of the membership.

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# President's Message

Ken Ingram, CGCS

Greetings,

I extend my deepest thanks for electing me President again of this association I love so much. Thanks also for electing a fine Board of Directors to carry the load for me.

A lot has changed in the 12 years since I was last President. Perhaps the biggest change is securing meeting sites. You would think that more golf courses would mean that meeting sites would be plentiful but that's not the case. There are several reasons for this but in general it's difficult to take the golf course away from the members at equity clubs and it's hard to get price discounts at daily fee clubs. So expect some schedule changes this year, it's increasingly difficult to get the second Tuesday every month. Despite that disclaimer I am still excited about our schedule. After almost 20 years (and almost that many superintendents) we have a meeting at TPC at Avenel in April. In May our old friend Ray (Butch) Evans is our host at Redgate and we reserved the old Rockville Mansion across the street for dinner. I asked Scott Reeside about hosting the June meeting at Hog Neck and he had a two word reply, "hell yeh." We hope to keep the picnic at Mayo Beach and the Stewards of the Chesapeake event will be at Prospect Bay. And no, it is not a coincidence that all our summer meetings are near the Chesapeake Bay.

Another huge change in the MAAGCS is the number of members.

Again, you would think that having more members would mean an increase in attendance at meetings but that is not the case. There are several reasons for this as well, the travel time, expense, time of day, no education session, are all difficult to overcome. Believe me, your Board is listening, but it is increasingly difficult to make everyone happy. Try to have your club represented at every meeting. If you can't attend send your assistant or a student.

So far all we have done this year is "party." Our hospitality suites at Baltimore and San Diego were a tremendous success. John Stevens really knows how to throw a party. Thanks also to George Barger and Nutramax for sponsoring our national event. Hope to see you all soon.

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**Are you and your club interested in hosting a MAAGCS meeting in 2005? New for 2005, the MAAGCS will move its meeting to Mondays, Tuesdays, or Wednesdays to accommodate the host course or club. Superintendents who host a 2005 MAAGCS event will have their annual membership dues paid in 2006. Contact Drew Scully, CGCS at 410-887-8216 or**

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## 2004 MAAGCS Schedule

Monday	April 19 <sup>th</sup>	TPC Avenel	Dennis Ingram	Supt/Pro Tournament
Tuesday	May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Redgate GC	Ray Evans	Supt/Asst
Tuesday	June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Hog Neck GC	Scott Reeside	Individual/Stableford
Tuesday	July 13 <sup>th</sup>	Mayo Beach	Lou Rudinski	Picnic
Tuesday	August 10 <sup>th</sup>	Prospect Bay	Glenn Stowers	Stewards Chesapeake
Tuesday	Sept. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Olde Hickory	David Horton	Two-man Team
Monday	Oct. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Towson CC	Quent Baria	Annual Tournament
Tuesday	Nov. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Hidden Creek	Steve Nash	IAC Election/Scramble
Tuesday	Dec. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Greenbelt Marriott		Seminar



# MAAGCS Golf Notes

## GCSAA GOLF TOURNAMENT SUMMARY

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 2004

Mark Kingora, Golf Chairman

What a great week? I've been attending the GCSAA Conference and Trade Show for the last six years and above all other locations; San Diego California was the best. Sunny days with temperatures in the high 60's in conjunction with the low humidity, certainly brought about the perfect conditions for golf, but then again in comparison to the local temperatures at or below freezing for most of the winter combined with the snow, sleet and freezing rain, well anyway you get the picture. Congratulations to all of the participants that played in the 2004 GCSAA Tournament. I can only imagine the excitement and pleasure gained from playing in this event. I believe that the GCSAA Tournament will be a definite addition to my agenda in 2005. Following is a list of noteworthy competitors and a special recognition to Stephen Cohoon, CGCS and Paul Masimore for their first place finish in their flights.

**INDIVIDUAL EVENTS**

- Championship, Rick Wakefield, International CC, T-10
- Third, Gordon Caldwell, CGCS, Green Spring Valley Hunt Club, 2<sup>nd</sup> Net
- Fourth, Stephen Cohoon, CGCS, Heritage Hunt Golf & C.C., 1<sup>st</sup> Net  
Thomas Tokarski, Queenstown Harbor Golf Links, 3<sup>rd</sup> Net  
Michael Evans, Country Club at Woodmore, 7<sup>th</sup> Net  
Edward Gasper, Manor Country Club, 8<sup>th</sup> net
- Sixth, Paul Masimore, Marlton Golf Club, 1<sup>st</sup> Gross

**TEAM EVENTS**

- Two Man Teams Gross Division, Rick Wakefield and Jeffery Whitmire, T-12
- Two Man Teams Net 2 Division, Gordon Caldwell and Richard McHugh, T-5; Tom Tuttle and Kurt Sams, T-10; Jonathan Urbanski and Edward Gasper, T-17
- Two Man Teams Net 3 Division, Paul Masimore and Michael Evans, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Michael King and Scott Furlong, T-12
- Association Team, Paul Masimore, Michael Evans, Thomas Tokarski and John Anderes 2<sup>nd</sup> Net



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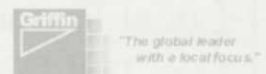
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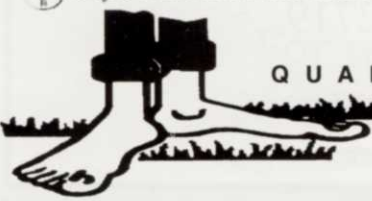
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## 2004 COLLEGIATE TURF BOWL

The University of Maryland placed two teams in the top 20 at the 2004 Collegiate Turf Bowl in San Diego, California. A 5th place and 17<sup>th</sup> place finish notched a first time achievement of placing two teams in the top 20. The Collegiate Turf Bowl was one of several events held for students at the 75th GCSAA International Golf Course Conference and Trade Show and 67 teams competed in this year's event.

The 5th place team consisted of Matt Burton (Columbia C.C.), Matt Brant (Falls Road G. C.), Tobi Doyle (Bethesda C.C.), and Joe Tubiolo (Compass Point G.C.).

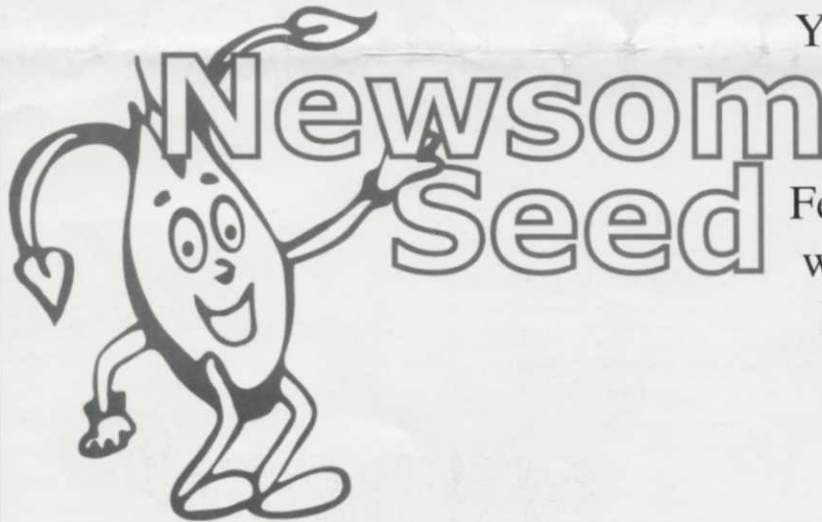
The 17th place team consisted of Nick Economos (Pelican Hills G.C.), Mike Esh (Chevy Chase C.C.), Tucker Langway (Atlanta Athletic Club), and Nathan Williamson (Army Navy C.C., Fairfax).

Ben Lapp was an alternate and participated in this event with several students from Texas Tech. The University of Maryland teams consisted of both 2 and 4 year students from the Institute of Applied Agriculture and the Department of Natural Resources and Landscape Architecture.

Financial support was provided by the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents, the Maryland Turfgrass Council, and proceeds from the Shields Memorial Tournament. Special thanks to the above organizations for making this event possible.

### COLLEGIATE TURF BOWL RESULTS

1.	Iowa State:	318.5
2.	Purdue:	318.0
3.	Iowa State:	305
4.	Ohio State:	295.5
5.	U. of Maryland:	292.5
5.	Iowa State:	292.5
7.	Mississippi State:	289
8.	Clemson :	281
9.	Penn State:	279.5
10.	Cal Poly Pomono:	270.5
11.	Michigan State:	266
12.	Clemson:	264
13.	Iowa State:	262
14.	Iowa State	259.5
15.	Ohio State:	254.5
16.	Hoary Georgetown:	253.5
17.	U. of Maryland:	253



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## Bullets from the Boardroom

### MAAGCS Secretary - Tom Ritter, CGCS

- President Ken Ingram, CGCS appointed 3 MAAGCS Board members to serve as liaisons to GCSAA. They are Dean Graves, CGCS—First Tee Program, Randall Pinckney—Media/Public Relations, and Tom Ritter, CGCS—Certification Attestor.
- Past President Jim Halley and Industrial Advisory Committee representative Larry Cosh are working together to produce a survey to be distributed to Class F members later this year.
- Thanks go out to John Stevens, CGCS for his work in arranging the hospitality rooms in conjunction with Turfgrass 2004 in Baltimore and the GCSAA Conference in San Diego.

## Superintendent Profile

### Dennis Ingram, TPC at Avenel

Dennis was born and raised in Pinehurst, NC; 1 of 3 brothers. He is married to Sandra, who merchandises in Congressional's golf shop. He has one son Matthew, a professional student, attending NASCAR Institute. He attended Stockbridge School of Agriculture and has been a superintendent for 25 years; he has been certified since 1982. He has managed turf in five states and seven countries.

Some of his accomplishments:

- 7 PGA TOUR events
- 1 Champions Tour event
- 4 European Tour events
- 1 US Open
- Worked for 3 TOP 100 clubs
- Worked for International Management Group out of their London office for 6 years
- Has been with the PGA TOUR for 6 years

Dennis' hobbies include chasing (not necessarily catching) big fish; also enjoys a good bottle of Merlot.



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# History Lesson

*(Editors Note: In lieu of our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary we hope to include some vintage Association Minutes in our Newsletter this year. The MAAGCS has a proud heritage and much can be learned from our predecessors.)*

Belle Haven Country Club  
Alexandria, VA  
July 13, 1942

The meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Association of Greenkeepers met with Tom Ryan at the Belle Haven Country Club.

The minutes of the June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$290.76. Moved, Seconded, and Carried.

The Secretary reported the death of Mr. Collins who was for many years with the Arlington Turf Garden. Tom Ryan purchased flowers in the amount of \$5.00 from the Association for Mr. Collins. It was Moved, Seconded, and Carried to reimburse Mr. Ryan for the amount of \$5.00.

There was a general discussion on new mercury treatments for brown patch. Thiosan in experimental stage applied at the rate of one pound to 6,000 square feet- wet or dry application- with no burning to grass: cost approximately \$1.25 per pound.

It was voted for the Association to purchase a trophy to replace the Dr. Monteith trophy- not to exceed \$25.00. It was voted for C.F. Arminger as a committee of one to purchase same.

The winners in the golf tournament were-

1<sup>st</sup> N. Gosnell 88-20-68  
2<sup>nd</sup> R. Hines 87-16-70  
3<sup>rd</sup> Bob Williams 77-6-71

General discussion in regards to monthly meeting on account of shortage of gasoline and rubber. Robert Scott recommended the following motion- That the Association split its regular meetings- the Baltimore boys have meetings in Baltimore and the Washington boys have meetings in Washington, and have two or more get together meeting during the year for the duration of the war. After discussion the motion was voted out.

Japanese Beetle report by Tom Ryan from the 100 traps set on the Belle Haven Golf Course from June 18<sup>th</sup> to July 12<sup>th</sup>- 275 pounds of beetles.

There was general discussion on sod webworms, cutworms, chinch bugs, and crabgrass.

The next meeting to be on August 10<sup>th</sup> with Robert Scott at the Five Farms Golf Club, Baltimore, MD. Golf match 1:00 pm, meeting following golf match.

A delightful dinner was served on the porch of the Club House and was enjoyed by all.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

R.P. Hines  
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### New Members

#### Class A

Douglas R. Witcraft      Musket Ridge Golf Club

#### Class B

Darren Graf              IGM @ Tantallon CC  
Jason Jarvis              Bay Hills Golf Club  
Jason Neal                Queenstown Harbor Golf  
Thomas Turi              Congressional CC

#### Class C

Michael Cimino          Hayfields Country Club  
Tim Evans                Beechtree Golf Club  
Matthew Keuhta        Musket Ridge Golf Club  
Thomas M. Vosters      Beechtree Golf Club

#### Class D

Steven J. McDonald      U of MD  
Bill Kozlowski            Clifton Park GC

#### Class D to C

Jason Snyder              Chevy Chase CC

#### Class F

John Erickson            Davisson Golf  
Seth Greenwood        Helena Chemical  
Daniel Haberer          Angler Environmental  
John Maley                Finch Services  
Michael Peny             Angler Environmental  
Michael Wilmer         Finch Services

#### Class G

Michael Candelora, CGCS, Sparta, NJ  
James Rosnic, Bear Brook GC, Fredon, NJ

#### On the Move

Richard Sweeney from Glen Oak CC to Mt. Vernon CC

#### Best Wishes

To Richard and Jamie Issac on the birth of their son  
Ryland Grey

#### Condolences

To the family and friends of Dr. Pete Dernoeden on the death of his brother  
To Dean Graves on the death of his mother  
To Stan Zontek on the loss of his son