

TURFGRASS MATTERS

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- Supportive of growing the game
- Supportive of turfgrass research and the golf course management profession
- · A strong allied golf organization partner
- · Leaders in environmental stewardship
- Promoting government relations and advocacy efforts

Dog Spotlight

Ion Lobenstine - Falls Road Golf Course

Poa is the official goose dog of Falls Road GC, and is a company dog purchased by former superintendent Bryan Bupp. Jon has been Poa's human since 2005, and with his responsibilities overseeing the 9 MCG courses as director of agronomy, Poa's expertise extends now to 2500 acres of property.





Well okay, those who know Poa, know he usually prefers to herd the front tires of the utility cart Jon is driving or riding in, but at age 11 now, he is still pretty spunky and has been known to chase a goose or two amidst warding off stink bugs or catching houseflies (touché, Mr. Mayogi) and showing the 3 other dogs at work that he runs the show!

At home, Poa regularly gets put in his place by our cats after he tries to show them who is boss and receives a claw in the nose in retaliation, then whimpers back to them wiggling his butt trying to make friends. Poa is incredibly loyal, (too smart for his own good), and clever, and was recently highlighted in the newest Turfnet dog calendar (December 2012 picture).

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