

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA TURFGRASS COUNCIL -- The third annual N.C.T.C. Irrigation Seminar is to be held on September 5-7, 1975 at Asilomar Conference Grounds in Pacific Grove, California.

This years program will be built around Phase III of the Evolution on an Irrigation System. Other topics to be explored are "Selecting the Contractor, Specifications, Contract, Moisture Sensing, Fertigation, Specialty Valves, and Metrics". The keynote speaker will be Mr. Tom Mascaro of the Safe-T-Lawn Company.

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"WHAT ARE OTHERS DOING?"

Equipment Pool Speeds Greens Aeration and Topdressing

Golf Course Superintendents in the northern Sacramento Valley area face a critical timing schedule during the season when they plan to aerate and topdress their greens. In addition to the normal playing pressure, wet weather conditions can delay the work schedule on any course over an extended period of time.

Three golf course superintendents in the northern Sacramento Valley have developed a system to avoid delays and minimize the time required to aerate and topdress the greens on their individual courses. John Engen, Sr., Butte Creek Country Club, Chico, Griff Taylor, Kelly Ridge Golf Links, Oroville; and Steve Flatt, Wilcox Oaks Golf Course, Red Bluff; have been pooling their aerating and topdressing equipment and their staff members into a super-efficient, smooth-working team. These three superintendents have developed a close-working relationship that has resulted in a minimum of delay during a very time-consuming operation.

Equipment and staff pooling arrangements might be the answer for other golf course superintendents when limited equipment and staff extend a work project beyond the time scheduled.

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BUD GALLI, Sequoia Forest Products reports the Sequoia Forest Products Division of Wickes Forest Industries is building a new bark plant in Oroville, California. This gives Sequoia 3 bark plants to service golf courses and nurseries in 3 states. We will have 3 sizes of bark-forest humus, and turf and tee, in bulk or bags.

We will have enough turf and tee or forest humus for any job large or small.

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