

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - Bill Nigh, Pasatiempo GC, Santa Cruz

Very glad to see the big turn out at Sharon Heights (92 members) and our THANKS to Roy King for making arrangements run so smoothly. The only problem was that our meeting was scheduled the same day as the Northern California Turfgrass Council field day. We plan to work closer with them so that we can schedule better.

A word on Asilomar -- a committee under the guidance of Bill Davis has been set up to develop a new Institute program. We hope to put together a new 3, 5, or 7 year package and draw from all over the state. To this end your board asks that you make known your ideas on subject matter for Asilomar -- WHAT DO YOU WANT??

Bill Nigh

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RICHARD "DICK" TOKOS, Superintendent of Tahoe Donner G & CC started with Lou Pohlson at Alta Sierra as mechanic, working up to Assistant Superintendent. Dick was hired at Tahoe Donner as superintendent at the start of construction in 1974. The 6500 yard course was designed by the late Joe Williams. Dick planted the front nine which was opened 2½ years ago While bringing this nine along Dick was finishing the back nine which was opened in 1976.

The fairways at Tahoe Donner are a Fylking and Manhattan mix, the greens average about 7000 square feet and are Penncross Bent. The course elevation runs from about 6500 to near 7400 feet.

At the present time Dick says that there is no water problem. Thunder heads start building up late in the afternoon and by morning there is usely a good shower. Quite often it will be a real down pour.

For the fellows that are going to be playing golf, let Dick know ahead of time if you want a cart, they may be in short supply the day of the meeting.

Bob Uhland has asked that when you sign up to play golf at the meeting PLEASE PUT YOUR HANDICAP DOWN ON THE SIGN IN SHEET

Received a letter from Jim Bantrup from Manteca. As most of you know the City of Manteca has been contemplating expanding the existing nine to eighteen holes. Bert Stamps has been awarded the design contract. Construction is to start in September. Jim also commented on the fine turn out we had at Sharon Heights C.C. From all indications quite a few of the fellows got a good insite on what you are up against when you have to file an environmental impact statement.