

GCSAA has computerized calendar

The most up-to-date listing of national golfing events, including tournaments, turfgrass conferences, GCSAA chapter meetings and PGA events, is only a phone call away.

The Golf Course Superintendents Association of America now has available a national clearinghouse calendar of golfing events which will be kept up-to-date through the use of the Association's computer.

Also listed on the computer are LPGA events, USGA events, CMAA meetings and other organization meetings and events in the world of golf.

The toll-free GCSAA number, 1-800-GSA-SUPT, will get you a computer printout of current events. You can call the same toll-free number to have your event listed.

Callaway honored for service

Lionel F. Callaway, best known for creating the golf handicapping system that bears his name, has been named the first 1984 recipient of the National Golf Foundation's Outstanding Service Award.

"Lionel Callaway's contributions to the game go beyond his handicapping system, though that would certainly be enough (of an accomplishment)," said Joe Much, NGF executive director. "He is one of golf's true pioneers and is responsible for countless innovations and ideas to make the game easier for all."

Callaway, 88, was born in England, the son of a golf professional and golf course architect. He turned professional at the age of 13 and immigrated to this country four years later. One of his first stops was Boston, where he came up with the idea for an indoor putting game which evolved into miniature golf. Callaway also was responsible for combining outdoor miniature courses with driving ranges.

Callaway first used his handicapping system at local courses in North Carolina and Pennsylvania. Eventually it was adopted nationally.

"I made no money on most of my ideas," he said. "I prefer to call them my contribution to a game that has been good to me."

No praise or money, thank you

Ed Stimpson, Sr., a 79-year-old native of the Boston area is credited with inventing the Stimpmeter in 1935. The 36-inch gauge is used to measure the speed of putting surfaces.

Golf Digest reports that years after his invention, a friend suggested he would make millions if he marketed the idea, but Stimpson said he wanted nothing to do with the commercializing of his invention.

"Golf doesn't owe me a thing," he said. "I owe golf ... and I've had a marvelous life playing golf."

EQUIPMENT

Tractor sales rise; fuels recovery hope

An upturn in the sale of tractors this past April is giving the manufacturers of farm equipment hope the remainder of 1984. Tractor sales rose 15 percent in April compared with a year earlier, from 12,257 to 14,085. However, the farm-equipment industry is still concerned as the sale of combines remained at an all-time low.

Combine sales fell 15 percent in April to 457 from 539 the year before. For the year, combine sales fell 32 percent to 2,467, according to a report carried in the Wall Street Journal.

Exceptionally strong sales for the rest of the year would be needed to meet predictions of a modest increase in the farm-equipment industry since April is normally the strongest month for tractors, the report added.

CHEMICALS

Roundup beats proposed Milwaukee Co. ban

Legislation to ban the use of Roundup herbicide by public employees in Milwaukee County, WI, has been temporarily halted by county administrators, according to sources in Milwaukee.

The resolution, proposed by the local American Federation of City, State and Municipal Employees, was never signed by the County Executive, who had been out of town. Members of the County Board then rescinded the resolution. The County Board turned the matter over to a standing committee to examine the entire pesticide issue and report back to the board. Milwaukee sources say that the introduction of new legislation—which could include other pesticides—may be pending.

PEOPLE

Stalford takes post with 3-M Farms

Harry Stalford, Vice President Product Development of International Seeds, Inc., Halsey, OR, has accepted a position with the 3-M Farms in the Willamette Valley. Stalford was with International Seeds for 10 years.

"I enjoy the Valley. It's a beautiful place to live and I really love it," Stalford said of his decision to accept the

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