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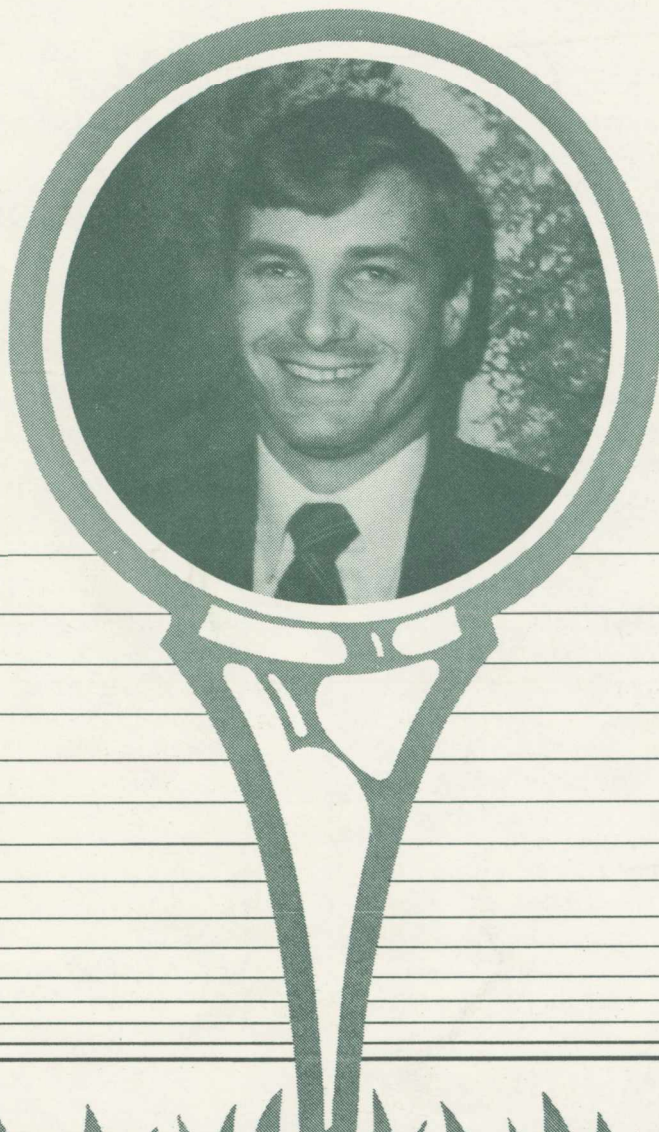
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Al Draper

1984 will mark the 60th Anniversary of the O.G.S.A. To commemorate this occasion we have planned a special activity for the year and we will keep you informed along the way.

The new year brings to an end one of the tougher seasons we have been through. With that in mind perhaps now is the time to analyze our systems used in 1983. A lot can be learned by dissecting our failures and accomplishments.

1984 also marks the time of rapid change in our industry. One of the best ways to keep up with this change is by attending conferences, symposiums and O.G.S.A. meetings. O.G.S.A. meetings are designed to bring members together, to learn from one another exactly what is new and changing in our industry. The value of these meetings increases with your participation so in 1984 let's all get full value from our membership and plan to attend

more meetings.

During 1984 your board of directors will be working toward new goals for the O.G.S.A. One of these goals is to make the O.G.S.A. more visible in the golfing community. Better informed golfers is an important part we play in the world of golf.

As winter starts to subside and we find some renewed vitality for our profession, I would like to wish all of you the best for a successful 1984. ☺



1984 O.G.S.A. Board of Directors
(back row) Tom Simpson, Scott Dodson, Gord Nimmo, Barry Endicott, Gord Witteveen, Thom

Charters, Bob Kennedy.

(front row) Bill Fach, Rusty Warkman, Al Draper, Hugh Kirkpatrick, Shorty Jenkins (absent)

NEW MEMBERS

John Schaller Jr. CFB Trenton Golf Club	Class F
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CONGRATULATIONS

TED ELLIS, Superintendent at Greenwood Golf Club in Sarnia, and his assistant Linda Badder were married on November 12.

(Ed. Note: That's one way of keeping your assistant!!)

ROD TRAINOR, St. Thomas Golf and Country Club, was elected president of the South Western Superintendents Association for 1984. ☺

WEATHER IN REVIEW

	October	November	December
Average Daily Low Temperature	5.5°C	.5°C	-9.0°C
Average Daily High Temperature	14.0°C	6.9°C	-3.0°C
Mean Temperature	9.8°C	3.7°C	-6.0°C
Normal Temperature	8.4°C	3.4°C	-3.7°C
Precipitation	rain 90 mm snow	19.5 mm 3.8 cm	29 mm 34 cm

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NEW DIRECTORS

Shorty Jenkins



Scott is a graduate of the University of Guelph with an Associate Diploma in Agriculture in 1979. He worked for his father Art at Maple Downs and he became the assistant after he graduated. After 2 years as Superintendent at the International Country Club in Fort Erie he moved to Chedoke Golf Club in Hamilton and he also looks after 3 bowling clubs for the city. He is involved in the Western Ont. Greenskeepers Assoc., he plays golf and hockey and also coaches hockey.



Shorty was superintendent at Trenton Golf and Country Club from 1968-1978 and he is presently superintendent at the Bay of Quinte Country Club. He is also a member of the C.G.S.A. and the G.C.S.A.A. and a past director of the O.G.S.A. Shorty is an ice maker and he has been making competitive ice at the Provincial, National and World Championships. He is also a National Ice Technical Instructor.

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The exact odds against scoring a hole-in-one on a par 3 hole are 8,750 to 1. And if you play golf twice a week, you can be expected, statistically speaking, to score a hole-in-one every 2.8 years.

This information is from Frank G. Menke's *The Encyclopedia of Sports* which tells of an experiment conducted by the old *World Telegram*. Out of 78,750 attempts to ace a particular par 3 hole, the *Telegram* determined, only nine of these attempts were successful — thus the 8,750 to 1 odds. Here's how the 2.8-year figure was arrived at:

78,750 divided by 9 = 8,750.
200 yds. times 8,750 = 1,750,000 yds., or 99 miles.

1,750,000 yds. divided by 6,000 yds. (average distance of a golf course) = 291.66 rounds.

291.66 rounds divided by 2 (twice a week) = 145.83 weeks, or 2.8 years.

Congratulations
GORD WITTEVEEN

Score Magazine
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1984 Top Canadian
Golf Course
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Christmas Party '83

The annual Christmas party held at the Galt Country Club is the main social event of the year for the O.G.S.A. It is nice to see this function becoming more popular every year as most of the tickets were sold and everybody had a great time. Paul and Dianne Scenna are the perfect hosts and because of this

success there are no plans to change the format of this party in the future. A special thanks should go out to these suppliers who made donations: C.I.L., McCracken Supplies, Turf Care, O.T.E.C., Duke Lawn, Bannerman and Hartwell. ♪



Bev and John Hutchinson



Sheila and Greg Aljoe



Dianne Scenna and Hugh Kirkpatrick



Paul Scenna and Rose Kirkpatrick

December 19, 1983

Christmas News from The Sun Parlour

by Ron Heesen

On Friday December the 2nd, I managed to talk my wife into going to the Michigan and Border Cities Christmas Party. Somehow I felt like I was betraying our Ontario Association, but I know that Paul Scenna was the forgiving type (I hope) and we went anyway. You must understand, however, that all summer long my colleagues in Windsor have been saying "we've got to get together and go to a Border Cities meeting." Well, naturally we never found the time to go, but I felt assured everyone would be free on December 2nd. You guessed it, we were the only Canadians present. Dan Uzelac from Dominion Golf Club, just outside Windsor, is a Director with the Michigan group, and even he found reason not to go. In all fairness to Danny, he was in Detroit the previous evening for a meeting which he tells us lasted into the wee hours

of the morning. Well it was on to the party anyway, and as I boasted to my wife what a great party it would be, I promptly got lost. No big deal, right, but you must realize being lost in Windsor as opposed to downtown Detroit are two different things. Of course I reminded my wife I was a big tough Superintendent and I could handle anything or anybody. Luckily I never had to display my skills and we found Edgewood Country Club. No sooner had we stepped inside, we were greeted by Clem Wolfrom, of Detroit Golf Club who immediately introduced us to everyone there. Apparently, Dan Uzelac had forewarned everyone we were coming at his meeting the previous evening, and made them promise to show us a good time. I was somewhat disappointed though, when I found this out; I thought we were celebrities and every-

one knew us. Maybe next time. The party was superb, at least that 150 people that were there told me it was. We were treated with a cameo appearance by none other than Joe "Elvis Presley" Vargas who really got the band cooking with a medley of Elvis' tunes. The party was very well done and I'm sure it got everyone into the Christmas spirit. If you didn't get into the spirit, we were at least warned the big day was only three weeks away. I have to say also that if you ever had to go to a party where you didn't know anyone, that the Michigan and Border Cities is the group to do it with. I hope Paul Scenna will forgive me, but at least we were thinking about you and the rest of the Ontario group, hoping everyone is having a good holiday and prosperous New Year. All the best from the Sun Parlour. ☺

REGION 1 MEETING HELD AT BEACH GROVE GOLF CLUB

by Ron Heesen

On Friday November 4th, Region 1 Superintendents held their election meeting at Beach Grove Golf and Country Club on Lake St. Clair. It was a cool windy day, but despite the weather we still managed to play 9-holes of golf. We gave the winning trophy to Dale Thompson, the club's professional, for handing out cigars before the start of golf. We felt the cigars may have warmed us up.

The day began at 11 a.m. and we held our election before lunch. Bill Fach, who was Director for the last 2 years on the O.G.S.A., was re-elected. In his victory speech he promised more money, better benefits and a Honda ATV for all Superintendents. Next on the agenda was the election of a president for the South Western Superintendents Association. Gord Nimmo nominated Rod Trainor from St. Thomas Golf & Country Club, and he accepted the position.

For lunch it was off to the Rendezvous Tavern on the lake. Immediately after we played our nine holes of golf, showered, had a few beers, and discussed our performance over the past year. Then we had dinner in Beach Grove's dining room and enjoyed a superb meal of our choice off the menu. Dinner was highlighted by a

cheerful discussion on cleanliness by Dan Uzelac and Nick Panasuik. The entire dining room enjoyed their discussion, let alone the visiting superintendents.

A special thanks to all those who made the effort to come out, and good luck to Bill Fach and Rod Trainor in the coming year. I'm sure their hearts will be with their respected Associations. ☺

SOUTHERN GEORGIAN BAY SUPERINTENDENTS

ASSOCIATION by Neil Acton

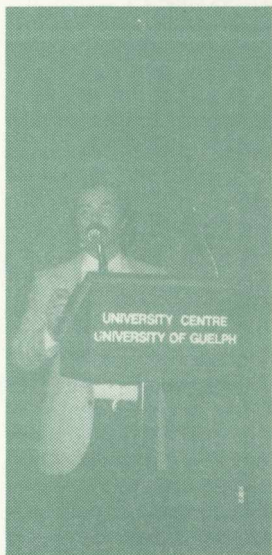
The closing golf afternoon of the "Southern Georgian Bay Superintendents Association" was hosted by Kim Hanley at a remarkably improved Blue Mountain Golf Club. This informal event was the last of five golf days which pitted each club's superintendent, pro, manager and club director against their counterparts.

Blue Mountain, Borden, Brooklea, Evergreen, Midland, and Royal Downs were all represented in the competition. Low team winners were the Borden Circle Pine crew comprising of Ray Richards, Doug Acton, Jim Campagna and Abe Buckle. Low gross superintendent honours went to Neil Acton with Stu Picken winning low net. Brookleas' Russ Howard posted the lowest pro scores and Jim Campagna coasted to an easy victory for low manager of the golf days.

These get-togethers were held every second Tuesday throughout the summer and guests such as Norm (Trees) McCollum, Bernie Macdonald and Sheldon Leonard were present on various days. I might add that the friendly competition on the links spilled over into the clubhouses where each manager attempted to outdo one another. Some very extravagant meals were enjoyed for the paltry sum of \$6.00. Special thanks to Michael Scherloski for his Filet Mignon and Baked Alaska, Jim Campagna for his unlimited T-bones, wine (also unlimited) and homebaked pies, Bill Howard for the Prime Rib, Marg and Rick Allen for the Veal Cordon-Bleu and Larry Lovett for great steaks and salads. Needless to say, we can hardly wait 'til '84. ☺



"Same time again tomorrow —
weather permitting, of course?"



Ted Hartwell
(morning chairman)



Warren Vout



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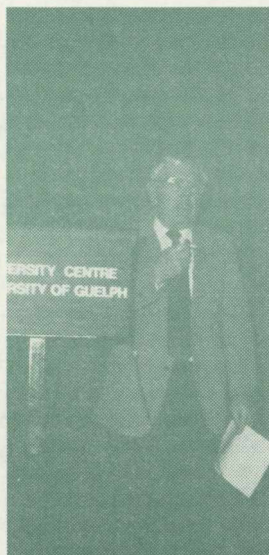
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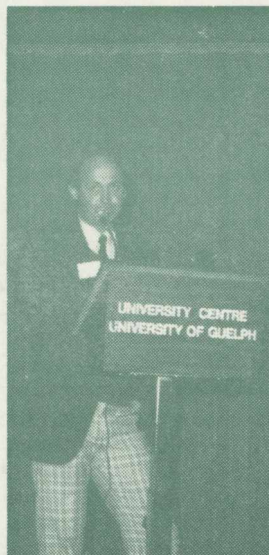


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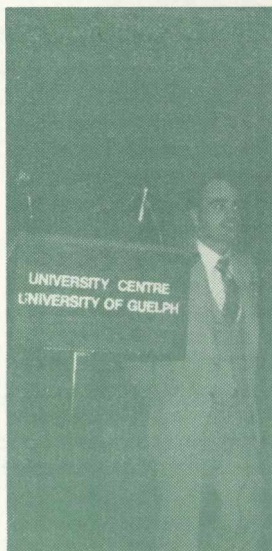
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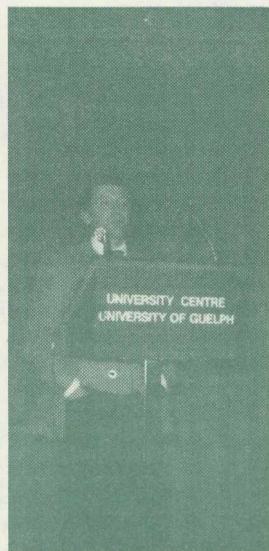
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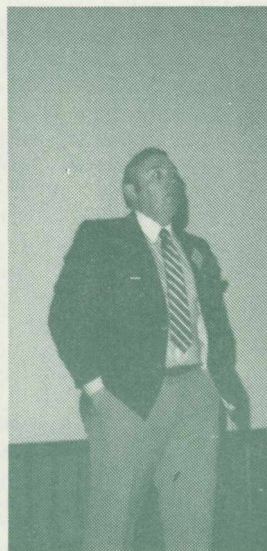
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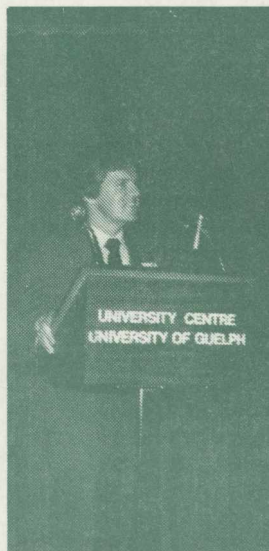
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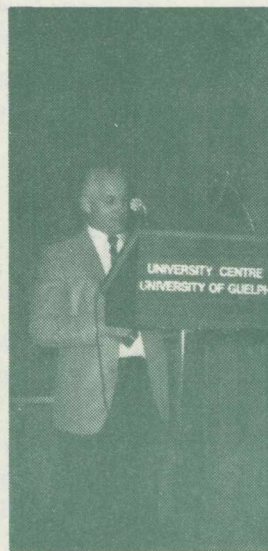
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COMPUTERS AND THE GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT *Stuart G. Mills, CGCS*

Computers have certainly become a HOT topic. Every newspaper, magazine, and periodical has advertisements touting the latest in available technology. Home Computers are offered that play excellent games and can do many useful tasks such as balancing your budget, mailing your Christmas cards and calling up the stock exchange to examine your personal portfolio. All the uses that you might think of can likely be computerized. In fact this article is being composed and edited on a Personal Computer's word processing software package.

When most of us began hearing about computers I believe we had visions of machines taking over and putting many people out of work. Popularity of the "little beasts" has increased at an alarming rate and many people have them in their homes. The truth of the matter is that more information can be compiled and analyzed so that the end result is a more efficient and better informed person or manager. When this capability is applied to the Golf Course Superintendent the same results CAN be realized. Of course nothing is obtained for nothing. You must be prepared to learn how to use some of the capabilities of a Micro Computer System, and frankly, with the many readily available programs this is not difficult. The desire is up to you.

As a means to reduce your staff! NOT likely, but as a tool to free up some of your

own time and know more about your operation at the same time I know you will find the computer valuable and exciting.

I became interested in computers about 11 months ago and since then have spent many enjoyable hours exploring the intricacies of Micro Computers. I am using a Personal Computer as part of my operation. I find the Word Processing package the most utilized of the few that I use. It allows me to write, correct spelling, and edit all reports and proposals before printing that once used up lots of paper, "white out", and too much TIME (you can even get spelling correction programs if a dictionary is too much trouble). The next most useful program is what is known as an "Electronic Spreadsheet". "VISI-CALC" is a widely used brand name program that you may have heard of. This type of program can have readily available all your budget numbers. That is providing that you input the information in the first place. Another piece of software that will most likely get a lot of use is known as "Data-Base". I used to list them with pencil and paper. When I wanted to know where I spent how many dollars to which supplier I had to go through the whole list for the year's purchases. A tedious job but mostly slow process. Now I just "boot" the file and send the search parameters and "PRESTO" there you have it. I can update the computer file much quicker than I could the ledger.

Certainly more uses have been suggested, eg. Parts Inventory, Chemical Inventory, ad infinitum. I believe this is where your own best judgement comes into play most of all. Now is when you could begin to add staff. The computer MUST be fed information to be useful and this does take time, not just entering the information but knowing how to operate each program that you use. If you spend more time in the office with a computer than you did without then there is no advantage.

Some of you are no doubt waiting until the Clubhouse has a computer then you will put it to use in your department as well. Think about this carefully and explore the capabilities of the machine the office is likely to install. It may be that even though you may have a terminal in your office the main computer will not be able to do what you want when you want because it is busy with posting chits or calculating handicaps. Also many larger computers require programs written specifically for your machine and specific application. This can be expensive. There are software packages written for mass market and for many popular computers that because of their smaller cost you may believe in their worth to you. The main computer should eliminate the need for your own "spreadsheet" but there are other tasks that a personal micro-computer can do for you and only YOU. ☺

NEW PRODUCT ANNOUNCEMENT

SAND-AID SOIL CONDITIONER AND TOP-DRESSING CONSTITUENT

(natural, organic material improves soil structure, increases nutrient and moisture retention)

Following a successful year in selective test markets, Emerald Isle, Ltd. will introduce SAND-AID nationally for the 1984 season. Like the company's companion product, PANASEA, SAND-AID is produced from North Atlantic sea plants. Whereas PANASEA is a liquified sea plant extract which is used primarily to strengthen root systems and improve stress tolerance in turfgrasses, SAND-AID is a granular sea plant meal designed to be used as a soil conditioner to counteract compaction and also as a natural, organic constituent in topdressing mixtures to increase nutrient and moisture retention.

According to Emerald Isle's President, Bill Middleton, "SAND-AID is completely unique in that it improves **both** clay and sandy soils." It contains alginic acid (a polyelectrolyte). This natural carbohydrate, which makes up 26.7% of SAND-AID's material analysis, creates an electrochemical attraction between fine particles in heavy clay soils, causing them to aggregate into a more friable, less compacted structure. In light sandy soils, on the other hand, where moisture and nutrient leaching can be a

problem, SAND-AID acts as an emulsifier, forming a highly desirable porous aggregate - greatly increasing nutrient retention and substantially reducing water losses.

SAND-AID can be applied by itself or combined with gypsum to counteract soil compaction. For best results it should be applied after aerification with a rotary or drop spreader.

"This material is the optimal organic component for topdressing programs" says Jim Hartnett, Emerald Isle's Vice-President of Marketing and Sales. Not only is it rich in alginic acid, it is produced using a proprietary process to preserve the 12 vitamins, 21 amino acids and 60 or so different minerals that occur naturally in North Atlantic sea plants. It is then ground to a consistent particle size so that it will mix homogeneously with sand. The "fines" are also removed so that it is easy to apply and won't "bridge" in the spreaders.

SAND-AID can also be used when transplanting trees and shrubs to provide a better medium and reduce transplant shock. SAND-AID is weed free, 84.6% organic, safe and non-toxic. It is available in 50 lb. double strength, plastic lined bags from Emerald Isle, Ltd., 2153 Newport Road - Ann Arbor, MI 48103, Telephone (313) 662-2727. Please write or call for the name of your nearest distributor or dealer for Emerald Isle products. ☺

ACTIVITIES THAT STATISTICALLY INCREASE CHANCES OF DEATH BY EXACTLY 0.000001*

Activity	Risk
Traveling in a canoe for 6 minutes	Accident
Living 2 months in Denver, Colorado, on vacation from New York	Cancer caused by cosmic radiation
Eating 40 tablespoons of peanut butter	Liver cancer caused by aflatoxin B
Spending 1 hour in a coal mine	Black lung disease
Spending 3 hours in a coal mine	Accident
Drinking 1/2 litre of wine	Cirrhosis of the liver
Smoking 1.4 cigarettes	Cancer, heart disease
Traveling 300 miles by car	Accident
Flying 1,000 miles by jet	Accident
Living 2 days in New York or Boston	Air Pollution
Living 2 months with a cigarette smoker	Cancer, heart disease
Drinking water in Miami, Florida, for 1 year	Cancer, caused by chloroform

*The above activities statistically increase your risk of death by one in a million. In all truth, everyone begins to take daily and necessary statistical risks the minute he/she steps out of bed. So why not stay in bed? Well, perhaps your pajamas are inflammable. And statistics indicate a risk of fire in the dwelling while you're in bed. But, is the risk of being burnt in a fire greater or smaller than the risk of cancer caused by a flame retardant such as TRIS?

Finally, remember that more people die in bed than anywhere else. ☺

TURFGRASS RESEARCH

EVALUATION OF FUNGICIDES FOR CONTROL OF PINK SNOW MOLD ON CREEPING BENTGRASS

L.L. Burpee and L.G. Goutty
Department of Environmental Biology

Pink snow mold, caused by *Gerlachia nivalis* (= *Fusarium nivale*), is the predominant winter disease of creeping bentgrass and annual bluegrass in southern Ontario. Commonly used fungicides include Scotts FF11, Mersil and other inorganic mercury products, and Arrest. For the most part, these fungicides provide acceptable control of pink snow mold; however, specific problems have been associated with each of these chemicals. For example, FF11 may cause stunting and discoloration of creeping bentgrass, inorganic mercuries may be associated with human health and environmental hazards, and the efficacy of Arrest may be seriously reduced by rain or melting snow. Therefore, field trials continue to be conducted in order to solve these problems and to select a broader range of fungicides for control of snow mold.

RESEARCH PROCEDURE

A six year old stand of creeping bentgrass cv. Penncross was maintained at a five mm cutting height at the Univ. of Guelph Horticultural Research Station, Cambridge, Ontario. Cultural practices were similar to those used for maintenance of golf course putting greens in Ontario. The experimental design consisted of a randomized complete block with four replications. Twenty-four fungicide treatments plus a non-treated control were included in each block. Each treatment plot measured 1 x 2 m. Wettable powder and flowable formulations were applied in 7 l of water per 100m² with a wheel-mounted compressed air boom sprayer at 30 psi pressure. A Scotts drop spreader was used to apply FF11 and Scotts Fungicide VII. Treatments were applied on Nov. 8, 1982. The turfgrass was inoculated with autoclaved rye grain infested with three isolates of *Gerlachia nivalis* on 10 Nov. Disease intensity was estimated on 4 April, 1983 using the Horsfall-Barratt rating scale.

RESULTS

All treatments, except Actidione-Thiram at 120 g/100 m² and all dosages of Arrest resulted in significant levels of disease control (Table 1). However, only Scotts FF11 and Tersan SP at 240 g/100 m², and Mersil at 125 g/100 m² provided acceptable control (< 3% diseased) for fine turf areas. Creeping bentgrass treated with Scotts FF11 was stunted and chlorotic in May. The addition of the residue extender Exhant 800 to tank mixes of contact fungicides did not improve efficacy.

Table 1. Effect of fungicide treatments on the intensity of pink snow mold on creeping bentgrass.

Treatment	Dosage (product/100 m ²)	Disease (%)
Scotts FF11	240 g	P 0.0*
Tersan SP	240 g	2.1*
Daconil 2787	637 ml	2.3*
Daconil 2787	319 ml	2.3*
Mersil	125 g	2.3*
Bas 436	122 g	2.9*
Daconil 2787 + Exhant 800	319 ml + 10 ml	2.9*
Mersil	63 g	4.1*
Mersil + Exhant 800	63 g + 10 ml	5.3*
Tersan SP + Exhant 800	120 g + 10 ml	6.4*
Tersan SP	120 g	7.6*
CGA 64250	120 ml	8.2*
Daconil 90 DG	153 g	8.2*
Daconil 90 DG + Exhant 800	153 g + 10 ml	8.2*
Scotts Fungicide VII	7 ¼ †	12.3*
Scotts Fungicide VII	4 ¼ †	14.1
Actidione Thiram	60 g	15.2*
Scotts Fungicide VII	5 ¾ †	15.2
CGA 64250	60 ml	16.2*
Exhant 800	10 ml	16.4
Arrest	140 g	17.4
Actidione Thiram	120 g	22.3
Arrest	280 g	25.8
Arrest + Exhant 800	140 g + 10 ml	30.5
Control	—	30.5

† Scotts spreader settings

* Statistically significant from control (P=0.05)

P= phytotoxic reaction resulting in foliar chlorosis

Credit: Turfgrass Research Annual Report, O.A.C.
University of Guelph 1983

CGSA ANNOUNCES KEYNOTE SPEAKER

The Canadian Golf Superintendents Association is proud to announce Dr. Clayton Switzer as Keynote Speaker for the 1984 Canadian Turfgrass Conference.

Recently retired as Dean of the Ontario Agricultural College, Dr. Switzer has long been a good friend of the turfgrass industry and of Canadian golf superintendents. A strong proponent of the professional development of the

superintendent for many years, no one is better qualified to open this 35th annual conference. Dr. Switzer will speak on, "The CGSA, Past, Present and Future".

The CGSA will also welcome such eminent turf experts as Dr. James Beard and Dr. C. Richard Skogley to the national conference which runs from March 11-14, 1984 at the Constellation Hotel, in Toronto. ☺



DEPUTY MINISTER

*Clay Switzer gets
Agriculture & Food
appointment*

DR. SWITZER



Former dean of OAC Clayton Switzer became Ontario's Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Food January 1. The announcement was made by Premier William Davis.

A former chairman of the Department of Botany, Dr. Switzer was appointed dean of the OAC in 1972. He completed his second term in that office June 30, 1983, when he returned

to the Department of Botany to continue his research and teaching related to turfgrass and herbicides.

A 1951 graduate of the OAC, he obtained his Master's degree from the OAC and took a Ph.D. in plant physiology at Iowa State University in 1955. He has been on the faculty of the OAC since that time, except for a period in 1968 he spent as a Ford Foundation

visiting professor at the University National del Sur in Argentina and in 1975 and 1978 as a visiting professor at Hawkesbury Agricultural College in Australia.

Dr. Switzer is president of the Agricultural Institute of Canada. His term will be completed in August, 1984. He is past-president of the International Turfgrass Society and the Ontario Institute of Agrologists, and past chairman of the Ontario Weed Committee. Dr. Switzer is a director and member of the executive of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair, a member of the Ontario Economic Council and a director of the Ontario Foundation for Rural Living. He recently completed a term as a member of the Science Council of Canada. Dr. Switzer was made a Fellow of the Weed Science Society of America in 1983.

Two of Dr. Switzer's chief joys as dean of the OAC were his continual contact with students and the special activities that surrounded the celebration of the centennial of the College in 1974. One feature of the centennial was the presentation of 100 OAC centennial medals to outstanding members of the agricultural community in Ontario. The former dean particularly appreciated recognizing the recipients for their contributions to community, industry and province. He was quick to point out that while there were only 100 medals to dispense, many other people had also played significant roles and, in a real sense, the medals were symbolic of the recognition due to many others. ♀

10 YEARS AGO TODAY

In 1974 the O.G.S.A. was celebrating its 50th anniversary. The board of directors were Bob Heron (president), Paul Dermott (vice-president), Al Beeney (secretary), Whitey Jones, Bob Hall, John Stoughton, Cameron Cairncross, Carl Bennet, Helmut Kopp, Paul Scenna, Jim Wyllie (past president), and Ross Haines (newsletter editor).

There was a monthly meeting in February at Uplands Golf Club in Thornhill hosted by Helmut Kopp. It was a combined skiing, business and lecture meeting. Other meetings were held at North Halton G.C., Bayview G.C., Galt G.C., P.G.A. National G.C., and Oshawa G.C. The G.C. S.A.A. Conference and Show was held in Anaheim California and the R.C.G.A. Turfgrass Conference was held in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

New members joining the O.S.G.A. that

year were Ken Wright, Northwood Golf and Country Club, Wendell Dymont, Big Cedar Golf and Country Club, Dave Dick, Sleepy Hollow G.C. and Gerry LaFerriere, Garion Golf Club Sudbury. Annual dues were increased from \$20.00 to \$30.00.

The fourth Annual Turfgrass Symposium of the O.G.S.A. was held on January 3 at the Lambton Golf and Country Club with Jim Wyllie as host. 75 people attended and Keith Nesbit was the Session Chairman for the day.

Superintendents met at the Centennial Arena in Etobicoke between 1:00 and 2:00 for hockey. Blake McMaster (Gormley Green), Bruce Lewis (Georgetown), Whitey Jones (Aurora), Helmut Kopp (Uplands), Carl Bennet (Oakville), Paul Dermott (Islington), Bob Heron (Markland Woods) and Ron Graham, who broke his ankle on his first shift, all participated.

Minimum wage was \$1.65/hr for a student under 18 and working under 28 hours, \$1.90/hr for a learner during his first

month and \$2.00/hr. for general employees.

Sam DiPonto of the Lido Golf Centre accepted the Superintendent position at the Beverley G.C. David Taylor Barnes passed away on March 8 and Norm MacDonald, a past Superintendent at York Downs also passed away. Stew Mills helped make ice at the Canadian Curling Championships in London, Helmut Kopp won a gold medal at the Hotdog Championships at Blue Mountain and Steve Miller moved to Dundas Valley G.C. as Superintendent. Jack Harris retired from the Hamilton G.C. to build his own golf course and Stew Mills moved from London Highlands to Hamilton G.C.

On August 9 the Pro-Superintendent Golf Tournament was held at Brampton G.C. with Ross Haines as host and the O.S.G.A. 50th Anniversary Golf Tournament was held at Lambton G.C. with Jim Wyllie as host. The Christmas dance was held at Richmond Hill Golf and Country Club on Dec. 14. ♀

MECHANICS DAY

Chairman: Paul Scenna, Galt Country Club

Tuesday, March 13, 1984



A new idea for the Canadian Turfgrass Conference — a day designed especially for the man who handles equipment maintenance. Service managers from the leading equipment manufacturers will run half hour sessions Tuesday morning, from 9:00 until noon. The \$25. package includes these sessions, a voucher for a snack lunch in the Exhibits and admission to the exhibits for the afternoon. To pre-register, contact Mary Gurney at the CGSA, 767-2550. Enrolment will be limited.

- 8:30 a.m. **REGISTRATION**
- 9:00 a.m. **Chris Burgess**, Skyway Lawn Equipment
"Cylindrical Grinding, the New Method"
- 9:30 a.m. **Chuck McMinn**, Service Manager, Turf Care
"Hydraulic Valve Bank Adjustments plus Rebuilding"
- 10:00 a.m. **BREAK**
- 10:15 a.m. **Robert Krick**, Field Service Manager, Jacobsen
Division of Textron
"Preventative Maintenance of 2 and 4 Cycle Engines"
- 11:00 a.m. **David Legg**, Ransomes
"Maintaining Hydraulic Drive Systems"
- 11:30 a.m. **Frank Horlings**, Field Service Rep.
Brouwer Equipment
"Hydraulics vs. Mechanical: a Maintenance Point of View"

— NOTICE —

Michigan and Border Cities GCSA and the Ontario Golf Course Superintendents are planning a joint meeting for Wednesday April 25, 1984. We are planning a good program for the day and hope to see a lot of participation. The meeting will be held at Beach Grove Golf Club in Windsor. More information will be available shortly. So remember to keep this date open.

Sincerely,

Ron Heesen
Superintendent
Beach Grove Golf Club

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OTRF Annual Meeting
OGSA Curling Meeting
Wednesday, February 22
Time: 10:30
North Halton C.C.
OTRF Meeting
OGSA Meeting
Lunch (from menu)
Curling
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