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# Newsletter

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Together with our second Newsletter, I hope that Spring has arrived at our golf course, and instead of the white snow we see some green, and hopefully snowmold free grass. I take this opportunity to wish all of you a very successful and trouble free season.

At our last Annual Meeting, the membership had set aside funds to support turf research in Canada. All of us know the importance of research. Without it, it would be impossible to maintain our golf courses in the condition the golfer demands and expects. Up until now, we have been doing quite nicely with the results of research done in the U.S., but now we have the brains and facilities right here in Canada.

What we have to do as an Association is to show that we are interested and our Universities will come up with results!

The University of Guelph has now sent out a request for support of a Research project, involving the evaluation of slow release nitrogen material for turfgrass production, and to assess the measurement of nitrate nitrogen in the tissue as an indicator of the level of nitrogen sufficiency for good colour, density and disease resistance of a turf mixture.

The following Associations have been approached for support:

R.C.G.A., Greens Section.
Canadian Golf Superintendents Association
Nursery Sod Growers Association
Ontario Golf Superintendents Association
Ontario Landscape Association
Ontario Garden Maintenance and Landscaping Association.

This project will be conducted at the Preston and Elora research station over the next two years under the direction of Dr. R. W. Sheard, Associate Professor of Soil Science, and Dr. J. Eggens, Assistant Professor, Horticultural Science Department.

Funds amounting to approximately \$10,000, over a two year period would be required to carry out this project.

The money set aside for research at our Annual Meeting for the University of Guelph will go to this project.

The financial situation of our Association will not allow any more support for this year, but this will come up for review at our next Annual Meeting.

One way to increase our finances is to get new members. Most of us know someone who is qualified to join our Association. So let's make an effort to get them to join us. Membership forms are available at all monthly meetings, or through our office at 31 Diana Drive, Downsview, Ontario.

John Arends,
President.

#### THORNHILL COUNTRY CLUB 1 2 3 4 4

Monday, February 22nd saw a most successful meeting held at Thornhill Golf & Country Club with Dave Gourlay as our host.

The Curling session in the morning saw a team skipped by Al Beeney from North Halton Golf Club, and consisting of Roy French, Bob Hall and Jack Kostegin defeat John Stoughton, Paul Dermott, Bob Heron and Doug Heron in a closely played game that saw some well played shots. a thour it, it was a think the case of the

After lunch we gathered to see some interesting film shot by it is Dave Gourlay on his trip to Phoenix, with Gord Witteveen, and myself. Keith Nisbet then presented a lot of slides taken by Bob Moote on a recent trip with brother Dave and Keith Nisbet, along with other American Superintendents. The trip took them through England, Scotland and Ireland for two weeks inspecting golf courses and enabled them to get in a little golf as well. Everyone enjoyed the films and slides and the informal chatter and discussions.

We proceeded upstairs to a regular business meeting followed by a very nice spread of chicken, meatballs, sandwiches and coffee. I am sure everyone enjoyed themselves and our thanks to Dave and Thornhill for such a The contract of the contract o gracious time.

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The Port Colborne Country Club was founded in 1929 on 100 acres of Wainfleet Township. Initially, it was a nine hole layout until construction was completed on an additional nine holes in 1956, on 50 acres of land purchased 10 years previously. Eventually, with the increased play on this popular golf course, it was found the greens and tees were too small and the decision was made to rebuild. The mission of our to resistant information of the control o

Bob Moote was called in to design a new layout and during the period 1961-69, nine new greens were completed under Bill's supervision, the rough fill obtained by digging lakes on the course. New greens are sodded or stolorized to C 15 which was propagated on the course. Tees are merion and recently the new W 9 tee sodded to Fylking with pleasing results. Fairway mixture on new areas is Kentucky and Creeping Red Fescue. Cutting height of greens is 5/32, tees 1/2, and fairways 3/4.

Bill Robertson came to Port Colborne Golf Club in 1949, after two years working at Lookout Point. He maintained the golf course at the beginning with 2 men and himself. He now has 5 permanent men and 4 students. Membership has increased from 300 to 850 which indicates a progressive club.

March 14 - 17

Early Sunday morning, March 14th, 50 some odd people shook themselves awake and made their various ways to Union Station to meet and board the CN Rapido train to snowbound Montreal and the 22nd Annual National Turfgrass Conference & Exposition. The train departed fog bound Toronto right on time and by the time we got settled, we were flying low in a lovely coach with a snack bar situated in the centre. Outside the snow got deeper, the drifts got higher "The Present and Future Outlook Relating but inside we were flying better than ever. the Use of Fungicides, Insecticides, and all in good spirits and looking forward to a great conference. We sorted ourselves out, settled in at various hotels and struck out on the town for steaks. Sunday evening, we were treated to a reception given by The Quebec Superintendents Association, and here renewed old acquaintances and friendships and enjoyed the warm hospitality shown us.

Monday morning saw the convention floor very busy, and soon the program was under way with our past president Gord Witteveen giving a terrific presentation on the 'Panorama of Canadian Golf Courses' with excellent slides taken on his many sojournes across our nation during the past few years. I cannot go into detail here, on all papers presented, but only touch lightly on the subjects of particular interest to me personally. Dr. Jack Eggens gave his usual excellent address in his usual aggressive manner showing us some problems encountered in turf management during 1970. I think also his remarks on consultants has put our minds at ease. Dr. Houston Couch was a most entertaining speaker and kept everyone wide awake with his humour and wit while presenting the topic "Development of Co-Ordinated Disease Control Programs". He specifically stressed that a balanced program is the key to successful turfgrass management and to achieve the balance, all facets of the program must be closely integrated through careful planning beforehand - nrt afterwards. Dave Moote

gave an enlightening talk on irrigation equipment and told us to watch particularly for areas on the course, such as hills or low areas, where penetration is slower than normal and to use smaller, lower capacity sprinklers in these areas.

Dr. Clay Switzer, our good friend from the University of Guelph, presented to us a most topical and interesting paper entitled "The Present and Future Outlook Relating to By the time we arrived in Montreal, we were Herbicides on Golf Courses". He asked us to do a better public relations job with the people we come into contact with as far as the pesticides were concerned. Golf courses, to a large degree, are the people who use these chemicals and superintendents to the same degree are in contact with the public concerned about these chemicals. Chemicals that will be developed in the future will be more specific in their action and not be such broad spectrum chemicals as we now know. So it is not only important but imperative that golf course superintendents become more and more knowledgeable all the time. It is just as imperative to read and study the publication of all the papers which were presented at the conference. I am sure you will enjoy and learn a great deal from such papers as "What's in a Bag of Seed" by Dale Kern and "Soil Mixtures and Drainage" by Dr. Charles Wilson. If you wish a copy of the publication, free of charge, just write to the R.C.G.A. office, 696 Yonge St., Toronto 285, Ontario.

> The Annual Meeting of the Canadian Golf Superintendents Association was held on Tuesday afternoon and went into extra innings on the many important issues that were discussed thoroughly. After the smoke cleared and the election was over, the following people were elected:

PRESIDENT

Camil Labelle, Chantecler Golf Course. Ste. Adele, Quebec.

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1st VICE PRESIDENT:

Norm McKinley, Canyon Meadows Golf Club, Calgary, Alberta.

2nd VICE PRESIDENT:

Dave Gourlay, Thornhill Country Club. Thornhill, Ont.

SECRETARY-TREASURER:

Bob Moote, Oakdale Golf & Country Club. Toronto, Ont.

ONTARIO DIRECTOR:

Jim Wyllie, Lambton Golf & Country Club, Toronto, Ont.

BRITISH COLUMBIA DIRECTOR: Art Donaldson, Capilano Golf & Country Club, Vancouver. B. C.

ATLANTIC PROVINCES DIRECTOR: Carl Wagner, Brudenell Golf Club, Montague, P.E.I.

Harold Gard, Director for Quebec and Sid Puddicombe, Director for Prairie Provinces each have one more year to go in their respective positions.

Following the Annual Meeting was a reception in which we all got well bolstered for the marathon banquet which followed. Actually the banquet was very nice indeed and we enjoyed the great fellowship which prevailed, even though it did not get finished till after 11 P.M. Everyone was thanked dutifully, and I am sure not one was left out.

The noon hour breaks down in Place Ville Marie complex made for very interesting girl watching indeed, and at the time of this writing, I still have a small twinge in my neck and my eyeballs aren't back to normal yet. We were all entertained on the train back to Toronto by Bob Hall and his ever present jokes and humour and I'm sure the Bistro car will never be quite the same again because of the singing and due mainly because it was St. Patrick's Day.

All in all, it proved to be quite a successful conference indeed and the people who were responsible for organizing it should be well pleased with the results of their efforts. The registration this year was just over the 400 mark, a little down from the last time we were in Montreal, but I'm sure all the snow they got just prior to the Conference had something to do with it.

We are all looking forward to next year when the Conference will move back to Toronto and we will be the hosts and I hope we can break all records.

by Ross Haines

### ARTICLES FOR SALE

GREENSAIR DRUM TYPE AEROFIER LIKE NEW. Used 5 or 7 set of gang mowers. \$500.00 - Barrett Muir,

Shanty Bay Golf Club, Phone 726-1922 Shanty Bay, Ontario.

3 Gang Roseman Mower in excellent Condition. 10 blade reels. hydraulic lift. Phone 277-4061 Mississauga.

condition. Apply Paul Dermott, Supt. Chinguacousy Country Club.

## ARTICLES WANTED

Phone 277-4061 Mississauga.

Bernie MacDonald, R. R. #2, Angus, Ont. requires 1 used Ball Picker for driving range operation.

James R. Whibley, P. O. Box 404, Elmira, Ont., requires 3 used Toro Spartan Fairway units in running condition at 1 Toro 76" Professional Mower in good reasonable price.

NOTE: ANY SUPERINTENDENT MEMBER OF O.G.S.A. MAY USE THIS NEWSLETTER FOR THE PURPOSE OF BUYING OR SELLING GOLF COURSE EQUIPMENT AT NO CHARGE.



CASPER McCULLOCH, Superintendent at Banff Springs Golf Club, Alberta, has recently retired after 43 years of service at this location. We wish this old stalward many happy & healthy years in retirement.

GO WEST YOUNG MAN! Barry Tomlinson arrived from England five years ago with an agricultural degree and worked on a Dude Ranch outside Hamilton for four years as Farm Manager. He decided he would like to try his luck in the golf course maintenance business in 1970, and was offered jobs at St. George's and Board of Trade in the Spring of 1970. He attended the R.C.G.A. Conference at Seaway Hotel March 1970, met Casper McCulloch who offered him the post of Assistant at Banff Springs, which he gratefully accepted. As of March 1st, 1971, he is now Superintendent at Banff Springs, upon the retirement of Casper McCulloch. Best of Luck, Barry!

To live right in the middle of Metropolitan Toronto, population 2,000,000 and have a regular morning visit by a RED FOX. Such is the life of Supt. J. Grightmire, who lives in the middle of Rosedale, G. C.

GEORGE DAROU, we are pleased to say, had a very brief stopover at Branson Hospital for a minor operation, and is in great shape for the start of spring preparations on Richmond Hill Golf Course.

OGSA SCHOLARSHIP of \$200.00 presented to a deserving student taking the Turf Management Correspondence Course at the University of Guelph has been awarded to: Captain Arthur E. Barbeau,

B.P.E. and R.O. Canadian Forces Base, Rockcliffe, Ottawa, Ontario.

#### THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBER HAS APPLIED:

Don Nason, Glen Abbey Golf & Country Club, Box 248, Oakville, Ontario.

Anyone objecting must inform the secretary in writing by return mail.



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#### DATES TO REMEMBER

APRIL 20 MEETING AT PORT COLBORNE GOLF CLUB
HOST: BILL ROBERTSON

MAY 10 MEETING AT DONALDA GOLF CLUB HOST: RON ALLEN

JUNE 10 MEETING OF OGSA - WESTERN ASSOCIATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH.

Tentative Program for the Vay:

8 - 9 a.m. - Tee Off Time at Galt Country Club

- also for those interested - a tour of the
University will be available in the morning.

12 - 1 p.m. - Lunch

2 - 4 p.m. - Visit to the Turpplots

4 - 5:30 p.m. - We hope to arrange for a demonstration of the new triplex greensmowers at the Galt Country Club.

5:30 p.m. - Cocktails, Dinner & speaker.

Non member superintendents will be welcome as

JULY 22 GREENS CHAIRMAN/SUPT

GREENS CHAIRMAN/SUPT. DAY at CHINGUACOUSY COUNTRY CLUB

HOST: PAUL DERMOTT

AUGUST PRO/SUPT. DAY
SEPTEMBER SUMMIT GOLF CLUB
OCTOBER ST. THOMAS GOLF

NOVEMBER

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UPLANDS GOLF CLUB

NOTE: Your Meetings Committee is presently negotiating for an additional monthly meeting between the Greens Chairman and Pro/Supt. Days.

Have you any problems with your mail - a telephone call to 633-1591 or a post card to the office - 31 Diana Drive, Downsview, Ontario will correct this.

#### YOUR EDITORIAL COMMITTEE

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PLEASE KEEP US INFORMED OF NEWS, HAPPENINGS, ETC., ETC., FOR THE NEWSLETTER.



KOM: YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

TO: MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT AS YET PAID THEIR DUES QUILLE TO DUES REMINDER MEMO FROM: YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS SUBJECT: DUES REMINDER Dues have not been received from the following members as at March 30, 1971: REGINALD J. ALLEN JOHN HARRIS THOMAS J. RALPH. WILLIAM BOND \* FRED J. HEMPSTEAD WM. SAKERIS WAN BROWN ED HENDERSON MIKE SHYMANSKI KREG. STANNARD WILLIAM J. CALHOUN ED J: HILL \* GEORGE T. COOPER DOUG SUTER SHERMAN A. HOOPER XLLOYD CHAPPELL WM. THOMPSON \* ROBERT WILLIAM HOWARD HOMER L. CRISSINGER \* JOHN IRELAND \* WAYNE UNSWORTH SAMUEL DIPINTO \* THOMAS JOHNSTON DON WITHERS PART DODSON GORDON WITTEVEEN DAVE KEITH MAURICE DUCHARME \* BRUCE WOOLLEY CHELMUT KOPP LEERNARD MACDONALD SAM ELLIOTT CARL WAGNER MORLEY FINDLAY NORMAN MCMULLIN CLAIRE WHITTON JAMES P. GEORGAS \* HERVE MONGEON MARTIN WALSH VPHIL GLOVER CHARLES J. MUYLAERT IR. H. HANNAFORD GEORGE OLENIUK Associate Members: AGRICO FERTILIZERS > J. B. & D. CO. LIMITED BEDER TURF NURSERIES XMANCHESTER PRODUCTS LIMITED GOLF DESIGNS X TORONTO ORGANIC SUPPLY LTD. We respectfully request that the above members send in their dues immediately. The deadline for dues is May 1st. A new roster will be issued on this date, which will include only paid up members. a wait a . Mr.

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A number of years ago, Gord Witteveen brought up the idea of some form of competition to stimulate interest in the profession of golf course maintenance, the idea never got off the floor....

The Scottish Greenskeepers' Association are showing the way by initiating SCOTLAND'S GREENSKEEPER OF THE YEAR COMPETITION in 1969. It appeared to be a tremendous success! There were 85 contenders, the winner being Wm. McKelvie, Head Greenkeeper at Dunnfries Country Club who won \$100 (\$250) and his club the Perpetual Challenge Trophy.

There were 6 runner up prizes.

The following are points of interest from the winner, McKelvie's Course:

- 1. Exceptionally good condition.
- 2. Weed free throughout.
- 3. Drainage excellent.
- 4. Progressive tree planting programme over 5 year period.
- a. The 85 golf clubs competing had an average membership of 490.
- b. Over 85 clubs, the average subscription was £12.12 (\$30.00).
- c. Average number of staff was 3 3/4.
- d. Methods of watering were described as follows:

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#### THE LIGHTER SIDE OF LIFE

Wife complaining to marriage counsellor: "It all started with him wanting to be in the wedding photographs."

"Where do you think you're going?" shouted the policeman to the driver going the wrong way on a one-way street.

"I don't know," he replied, "but I must be late. Everyone seems to be coming back."

It was the first day of school, and the teacher was explaining to the kindergarten class that if anyone had to go to the washroom, he or she should hold up two fingers. After a moment's thought, a little girl near the back of the room inquired:

"How's that gonna help?"

In Toronto, the shortest line between two points is usually under construction.

#### COMBINED MEETING

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#### ONTARIO GOLF SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION & THE WESTERN GREENSMEN ASSOCIATION

DATE:

APRIL 20, 1971

HOST:

BILL ROBERTSON

PLACE:

PORT COLBOURNE GOLF CLUB

#### PROGRAM FOR THE DAY

11 A. M. - GUEST SPEAKER: MR. BERT HENNING, SUPERINTENDENT,

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE, NIAGARA PARKS.

12 NOON - LUNCH

1 A. M. - GOLF TEE OFF - PRIZES!!!

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- COCKTAILS

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DINNER

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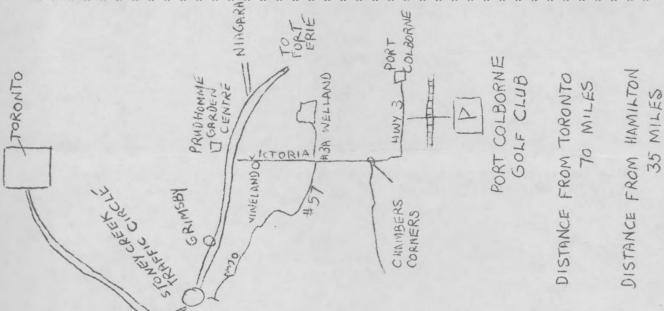
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