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*Jim Miller, Suncoast chapter president, enjoys the Tenth Annual Suncoast Scramble at Venice Golf and Country Club*

## **Suncoast Scramble Raises \$6,000**

*The Tenth Annual Suncoast Scramble sponsored by the Suncoast GCSA held on April 28 was a huge success, raising a total of \$6,720 for turf research.*

*The Venice Golf and Country Club course was in excellent shape thanks to host superintendent, Troy Smith. Twenty nine teams made up of the general manager, superintendent, pro, and a supplier member from the Suncoast chapter, battled it out for the \$1,680 worth of prize money. The team from Lake Venice CC won the event with a 59 followed closely by Capri Isles with a 60 and the Plantation team with a 61.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

July 8	Treasure Coast chapter annual meeting, Willoughby GC, Stuart	Aug. 1	FGCSA Annual Board of Directors Meeting/Election of Officers, Bay Hill Club	Sept. 18	Adam Walsh Tournament, Inverrary East
July 13	Everglades annual meeting, Hole-in-the-Wall GC, Naples	Aug. 2	FGCSA seminar, Bay Hill	Sept. 19	Lake City Golf Tournament, Orange Park GC
July 13	West Coast chapter meeting, Hunters Green	Aug. 3	Crowfoot Open, Bay Hill Club	Sept. 20	FGCSA Team Championship, TPC at Sawgrass
July 13	South Florida annual meeting, TPC at Eagle Trace	Aug. 25	Suncoast chapter meeting, Tara G&CC, Bradenton	Sept. 20	FTGA Research Tournament, Hidden Hills, Jacksonville
July 15	Central Florida chapter meeting, Orange Lake CC	Aug. 26	Treasure Coast chapter golf outing, Sailfish Point, Stuart	Sept. 20 - 23	FTGA Conference & Show, Prime Osborn Convention Center, Jacksonville
July 15	Palm Beach chapter annual meeting, High Ridge GC	Sept. 9	Palm Beach chapter meeting, Binks Forest GC	Nov. 13	FGCSA/GCSAA Regional Seminar, "Wildlife Management and Habitat Conservation", Naples
July 24 - 26	North Florida Transition Tournament, Jekyll Island	Sept. 15	Treasure Coast chapter meeting, Hawks Nest GC, Vero Beach		
July 28	Suncoast chapter meeting, Sable Trace GC				

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## President's Message Tom Benefield, CGCS

Thank heavens the summer is here. Gone on their long flight back to their winter wonderland are the snow birds we have all grown to love so dear. It must truly be heaven on earth up north because according to them, everything is better up there and, of course, they know how to do everything and we are blessed to have them show us ignorant southerners how things should be done. It amazes me that we in the south were able to live as long as we have down here before they came.

Anyway, the important thing is the rain is falling everyday, the grass is growing faster than my waist line and the aerifiers are plugging along. Everyone knows how critical this process is yet we continue to get reprimanded after the aerification process due to the poor putting surface. It never fails every year we get the comments, "I just played yesterday at Po-Dunk Golf Club. They had aerified the day before we played and the greens were perfect.", or "Why do we have all this sand on the greens? Bogey Creek has never had sand on their greens after aerifying." I guess the one that really hits home is, "Why did you have to do it now. I'm going back home (up north) in another month."

Forgotten to these people are the other nine months of the year that the greens are in great condition. Gone are their memories of how quickly they putted on the weekend of the member/guest when their guests lavished praise on the course and greens. No, the only thing the golfer can relate to is what he is playing on TODAY. I can recall what Jeff Hayden told me one time when I first decided to pursue a career in this business. "You're only as good as you are this very day. What you did yesterday and what you are going to do tomorrow doesn't matter. It's only what you have today that counts."

I have never forgotten that idea. It hasn't caused me to alter aerification plans or cultural practices but it has helped me immensely to handle the frustration of member's comments. We all understand that we need to hear member comments but some should be taken with a grain of salt, or in certain situation, with a whole box of it!

Yet it is a good thing that we hear these comments. How else can we keep a pulse on what the membership is thinking? It is not easy to sit there and be criticized but now you know what their perceptions are. Now you can start the process of changing their perceptions. You have an open dialogue with these people; you now can earn their respect and trust.

Rarely are things as bad as they are first made out to be or as good as they seem. Human nature tends to make people overreact to both good and bad. How quickly we

can fall from being the fair haired golden one to being the red headed stepchild. We have all experienced it and it will happen to us again. The most successful day in my operations is when we flow on an even keel — no highs and no lows — just like clockwork, the plan works with no glitches.

It is difficult to explain to the members in language they understand the importance of the things we do each summer. As the lady in the pro shop told me the other day upon viewing the east fairways being aerified, "Young man (everyone around here under seventy is young to her), that is a great way to ruin a perfectly good fairway. I guess you are going to be putting out those smelly chemicals again this year, too." I nod my head in agreement about the chemicals, I mean that garlic stuff really does smell. Hell, you can smell it a half mile away. It is so smelly that my boss said to hold off on that garlic



Tom Benefield

stuff until he went home for the summer. Well anyway it does work and that is the reason I keep using it. Besides taking care of the mole crickets, it keeps the golfers off the course. Kind of like killing two birds with one shot. (Well many birds is not the right choice of words here, but you know what I mean!)

Well, I have spent enough time at this computer today. Besides that I am about out of scotch. Being my last president's message, I have to admit it has been fun, at least for me. Some people say they wouldn't write the things I do. Thank God for small favors! If there is someone out there that I have offended, then it must have been your lucky day. If there is someone out there who would like to be offended, just give me a call.

Seriously though, I would like to thank the members of the association for allowing me this opportunity. I will fondly remember for years to come. May God bless and keep thinking those good thoughts.



The FGCSA Election of Officers for fiscal year 1992-93 will take place on Saturday, August 1st, at Bay Hill Club in Orlando during the FGCSA Annual Meeting, at approximately 4:00 p.m.

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## Job Changes

Tim Cann, CGCS, has moved from the Reserve GC in Port St. Lucie to Harbor Ridge CC in Stuart.

Mike Strahowski has been promoted to head superintendent at the Reserve.

Jeff Keech has moved from Palm Aire CC to University Parkway G&CC in Sarasota.

Doug Powell has switched from Oakford CC to Palm Aire CC in Sarasota.

Gary Grigg, CGCS, current member of the GCSAA Board of Directors, has accepted the superintendent's position at Naples National GC.

Andy Pearson has moved from Admirals Cove GC to become superintendent at Eaglewood GC in Hobe Sound.

Tim Rappach, formerly at Eaglewood GC, is now at Hobe Sound GC.

John Snyder, formerly at PGA National, is now at Kendall Lakes G&CC, Miami.

Ed Ramey, formerly at Keys Gate GC has accepted the superintendent position at Miramar CC.

Jim Beaston has moved from Deering Bay CC in Miami to join the Palmer Management team.

## Critical Needs for G. C. Horn Turfgrass Field Laboratory

### General Equipment:

Aerifier (Ryan G.A.30)  
Computer  
Cushman top dresser  
Cushman core harvester  
Heavy duty verticut (Ryan)  
Heavy duty front-mounted rotary mower (Toro Groundsmaster)  
Rotary mower (21 inch) with "clean" housing for St. Augustinegrass  
Sod Cutter with cutoff  
Walking greensmower (need 2)  
Walking reel mowers (need 2 equal to Jacobsen tee mowers)

### Irrigation Equipment:

Digital 15-20 station irrigation timer  
1,000 feet replacement for existing metal lines (includes pipe and impact sprinklers).

Please contact Dr. Ed Freeman at the University campus (904-392-7231) if you have an in-kind or cash donation.

The University of Florida Gainesville campus will also be needing some high tech equipment for the Envirotron in the near future. Please contact the FTGA office to offer your donation for the Envirotron.



## New Rebate Programs for FGCSA

An exciting opportunity for the FGCSA to raise significant dollars for research is at hand. Two Florida companies have made it simple and painless for every superintendent to make a substantial contribution.

**Ciba-Geigy**, in cooperation with the FGCSA, has generously offered to donate \$25 to the FTGA Research Foundation for every case of Banner, Subdue, Triumph, Award, Pernnant and Exhibit purchased by FGCSA superintendents between November 1, 1991 and September 15, 1992.

**DowElanco** has followed suit by offering to donate \$3 for every case of Surflan, Rubigan, Gallery, Pageant and Dursban purchased from July 1992 through October 1992.

A simplified, one-page form for each program is enclosed for all Class A superintendents. If you have used these products in the past or intend to use them in the future, please sign the form and return it to the FGCSA office as instructed. The DowElanco form must be returned by August 15th and the Ciba-Geigy form has a September 15 deadline. This is all the paperwork you need to do!

This is an opportunity for the FGCSA to support the FTGA by earning hundreds of thousands of dollars for turfgrass research. If you have any questions, please call the FGCSA office at 1-800-732-6053.

## Root BioStimulant Project Begins

Dr. Monica Elliott reports that the FGCSA-sponsored project, "Products for Enhancement of Turfgrass Quality and Rooting", has begun at the FGCSA Otto Schmeisser Research Green, University of Florida, IFAS Research and Education Center in Fort Lauderdale.

Products to be tested during the two year study are: Enersol (American Colloid), PanaSea (Emerald Isle, Ltd.), Kelpak (Arbor Groves), Eco, Sustane, Ringer and Milorganite. Manufacturers of these seven products are contributing \$2,000/year for the study. The products for the study have been received at the U of F site and the rootwasher (Hydropneumatic Elutriation System) has been ordered. Arrangements have been made to fund additional labor for the project at the Research Green.



*Mickey Lovett, Marketing Specialist for Ciba-Geigy, explains the revised Rebate Program at the FGCSA Board of Directors meeting in Naples.*

The Spring 1992 meeting of the FGCSA Board of Directors was called to order by President Tom Benefield at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 16, at Naples Beach Hotel.

**SECRETARY/TREASURER:** Paul Crawford submitted the minutes to the winter 1992 Board Meeting and the current FGCSA financial statements. Both were approved.

He then led a discussion on the first draft of the proposed 1992-93 budget. It was suggested that the line item for accounting be increased to allow for a financial review or an audit to be done immediately following the end of this fiscal year.

Paul noted that some of the Executive Secretary's time is allotted to other projects (\$1,000 to Green Sheet, \$2,000 to Membership Directory, and \$1,500 to survey), rather than the line item for secretary wages. If all her time were allocated to the one category, it would total \$13,000 through April. At this time, the Board voted to offer the Executive Secretary a \$2.00/hr. increase or a yearly bonus of \$2,000 to fund an IRA.

Other budgetary items discussed were:

- The 1992-93 membership goal will be set at **800 members @ \$60.00/each.**
- **Donations:** Florida Golf Council and FTGA could possibly be increased from \$5,000 to \$7,500 if the final budget allows.
- **Research Green - Biostimulant Project** will generate \$12,000 income this year with an additional \$12,000 next year. It was decided to increase the technicians salary by \$1.00/hour. The SFGCSA has volunteered to donate another \$13,000 to the green for the 1992-93 fiscal year and it was assumed that some of the other chapters would continue to donate funds to the green. In addition to this, it would seem that the Biostimulant project will realize a net gain which would enable the green to start to become self supporting in the future.

**FGCSA JACKET:** Scott Bell reported that Palm Beacher will supply a green blazer for approximately \$120. He will try to present his final recommendation at the Crowfoot meeting.

**AWARDS:** Scott Bell presented his suggestion for a non-superintendent award. After some discussion on the number of awards the FGCSA should be giving out, Scott was asked to present definite criterion for this possible new award to be voted on at the Crowfoot.

**BY-LAWS:** John Gallagher presented a By Law change to the Board regarding Article III, Officers and Directors to separate the position of Secretary/Treasurer into two positions those increasing the number of Officers on the Executive Committee to five. Ray Hansen noted that if this change were approved, it would extend the time commitment to at least one year as Director and then five years as a member of the Executive Committee for a total of six years. He felt that this would be an unnecessary burden to all future nominees and might present a problem in getting people to serve on the Executive Committee in the future. After some discussion, the proposed By Law change failed.

**PUBLICATIONS:** Mark Jarrell reported on two major developments with the Florida Green: 1) Larry Kieffer of Janlark stated at the February Publications Committee meeting that he had lost \$20,000 on the last two or three issues combined of the Florida Green and that he would like to amend his current agreement with the FGCSA. 2) Joel Jackson has resigned as Editor effective with the Crowfoot meeting. In light of these developments, the possible future direction of the magazine was discussed. Joel has probably been too generous with his free time and taken on too many projects for the magazine that were above and beyond his roll as editor. Therefore, when the Publications Committee meets it will seriously consider restructuring the roll of editor to consider a committee or panel of editors rather than a single editor. The Publications Committee will report their suggestions/recommendations to the Board at the Crowfoot meeting.

**GREEN SHEET:** Mike Bailey gave a quick review of the original purpose of the Green Sheet which was to be a chapter newsletter, not a magazine. Costs have risen dramatically and Vigoro has now decided to regroup. In an effort to enable the Green Sheet to continue to be self supporting, it was decided to streamline the costs of the newsletter. Larry Kieffer was unable to meet the financial goal as set by Mike so decided to withdraw as publisher. The May/June issue was revamped, economized, and produced locally through the FGCSA office at half the previous cost. Mike feels that at this new cost (approximately \$1,500 an issue) he will not have any problem getting future advertisers to support each issue.

**MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY:** Marie Roberts reported that letters will go out to all

chapter affiliate members in early June to solicit their advertisement in the 1993 Membership Directory. Since this is the only way these suppliers can obtain a copy of the Directory, it is felt that the 1993 Directory will be as successful as past issues.

**FUND RAISING:** Mark Jarrell introduced Mickey Lovett of CIBA-Geigy to discuss a 3 year old fund raising program that has been tailored to golf courses who use their chemicals. In order to qualify for enrollment, a golf course must purchase a minimum of 3 specific products from CIBA-Geigy between November 1, 1991 and September 15, 1992. The chemicals are Aword, Pennant, Subdue, Triumph, Exhibit or Banner. Payout on the program is \$25 per case with the funds donated to the FTGA. All purchase records would be submitted to the FGCSA (or some outside firm) by your supplier for compilation and submission to CIBA-Geigy for payment.

All superintendents should sign the form for their club and send the signed form directly to the FGCSA. That is it! No further paperwork would be necessary from the superintendent. His supplier would keep the record of how many cases are purchased and submit the forms for payment. This is a very simple way for superintendents who are already using these chemicals to support turfgrass research. If your club qualifies for the award (by purchasing 3 products), you are signing over your award money to the FTGA. Naturally, the more clubs to participate, the greater the reward. If 500 clubs were to sign up, we could raise over \$100,000. Funds would go directly to the FTGA for research purposes to be determined by a committee of golf course superintendents.

The success of the program rests on the shoulders of the External Vice Presidents to get the word out to all chapter members to sign up. Mickey Lovett is available to speak at any chapter meeting to explain the program and help get superintendents to fill out the form. Other firms, such as Lank-Como, DowElanco, and Hoechst-Roussel are planning similar programs on future sales.

**FLORIDA GOLF COUNCIL:** A discussion was held regarding the tenuous status of the FGC. It is felt that it can not survive its present structure. Bob Yount of the FTGA reported that a meeting will be held in two weeks to consider a lobbyest under a separate entity, rather than the FTGA, to avoid a tax situation. He discussed the merits of



combining Tom Latta's analytical approach along with Bobby Brantley's influence with the legislatures.

**RESEARCH:** Dr. Monica Elliott distributed a report on the five current projects being performed on the research putting green at the Ft. Lauderdale REC:

1) Nitrogen Source Study - second stage; 2) Root Biostimulant Study; 3) Bermudagrass Decline; 4) Pesticide Leaching Study; 5) Blue-green Algae comparison. **With so much going on at the research green, Ray Hansen suggested that is about time to begin preliminary planning for a second research green in the Central Florida area.**

Dr. Elliott reminded board members that the Diagnostic Clinic on the U of F Gainesville campus is not being used by the turfgrass industry. It is on a fee basis, headed by Dr. Gary Simone. Encourage your members to use this facility.

**EDUCATION:** Rick Walker described the very informative program for the Poa seminar which will be held on Sunday morning. Pre-registration numbers are high and we are expecting another successful turnout. The topic for the Crowfoot seminar has not been selected. He noted that the FGCSA/GCSAA Regional Seminar, "Wildlife Management and Habitat" has been scheduled for November 13. A motion was made that the seminar be hosted by the Everglades chapter. The motion was approved.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Buddy Carmouche suggested that an additional membership category be added to the FGCSA By-Laws. This "Member at Large" category would enable the FGCSA to gain those superintendents who are members of the GCSAA but not currently members of the FGCSA. Most of these superintendents are in the Pensacola area. Tom Benefield asked Buddy to research this further and be prepared to submit a proposed By-Law change at the Crowfoot meeting.

**VOTING DELEGATE:** Tom Benefield stated that the FGCSA cast the largest number of votes in the recent GCSAA election. He noted that Paul McGinnis got the Florida votes due to his bermudagrass background.

**GCSAA:** Paul Crawford reported that this year's reception was over budget because it was such a huge success. Paul volunteered to remain as Chairman of this event for the California Conference and will solicit con-

tributions from suppliers to help underwrite the costs. It was decided that the Distinguished Service Award would not be distributed at the reception but would, instead, revert back to the Crowfoot dinner.

**GOLF:** Joe Ondo reported that the Crowfoot Open will be played at the Bay Hill Club on August 1 - 3. He distributed registration forms to all External Vice Presidents. The GCSAA Golf Tournament will be held in San Diego this year. Qualifying tournaments for the Florida team will consist of the Poa, the Crowfoot and the FTGA Tournament.

**FTGA:** Bob Yount reported that there is a good article on the Envirotron in the current issue of Turf Digest. The FTGA is currently compiling a list of high tech equipment that will be needed for the Envirotron at a cost of well over \$100,000. He noted that the new administrator, Dr. Nell, is getting a good start at the U of F. The Turfgrass Report is being sent to all legislatures. The FTGA is offering a Complete Pesticide Label Handbook and MSDS Handbook at a cost of \$175.00 per set. Bob Yount and Dr. Elliott spoke about the proposed expansion of FAU/FIU onto the U of F campus in Ft. Lauderdale. Both feel this is still in the very early planning stages and should not be a concern to our research green at this time.

**GOVERNMENT RELATIONS:** Greg Plotner volunteered to assist Tim Hiers. Tom Benefield and Greg Plotner are continuing to represent the superintendents position with the Water Management Districts in the state. They are hopeful that the resulting plans will be more cohesive.

**POA:** Buddy Carmouche reported that they have received a tremendous amount of support from supplier donations.

**CERTIFICATION:** Dale Kuehner included a synopsis of the proposed changes from the GCSAA regarding Certification and more stringent requirements for educational programs to receive CEU's. He also submitted a letter to be sent to the GCSAA requesting re-testing for only one section of the test at a time.

**SURVEY:** Mike Bailey reported that we have received a 43% return rate on this year's survey. He noted that information on fungicides, insecticides and fertilizer usage can be obtained from Tom Benefield. A discussion was held regarding the timeliness of the

survey to coincide with budget preparation at member golf courses.

**NEW BUSINESS:** President Benefield requested that each Committee Chairman submit a written Job Description for their position before the next board meeting.

Tom noted that the recent logo infringement problem has been solved as soon as the supplier was notified that he should not use our logo in his advertisement.

The USDA is the funding mechanism available for mixing/loading sites.

The FTGA Turfgrass Survey questionnaire was distributed to all Board Members with the request that they be returned to Mark Jarrell as soon as possible.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.



## Crowfoot Activities

The 1992 Crowfoot Open will be held on August 2nd and 3rd at Bay Hill Club in Orlando. Festivities include the banquet on Sunday night and the golf tournament on Monday morning. Cost is \$90.00 for both events with extra banquet tickets being sold (in advance only) for \$40.00. Overnight accommodations can be made at Bay Hill for a special price of \$60.00/night. Deadline is July 26. Please contact Vilma or Larry Kamphaus at 407-351-6815 for more information.

The FGCSA will be presenting the Distinguished Service Award and Presidents Lifetime Service Awards at the Sunday night banquet. The FGCSA Educational Committee will sponsor a pesticide/regulatory seminar on Sunday morning.

The FGCSA Board Meeting will be held on Saturday, August 1st at noon at the Bay Hill Club. The Annual Meeting of the FGCSA with Election of Officers will be held immediately following, at approximately 4:00 p.m. All interested FGCSA members are invited to attend.

## Everglades Chapter Hosts Poa Weekend Gains Three Certified Superintendents

"The 1992 Poa Annua festivities were the best ever!" These were the sentiments expressed by almost all our FGCSA members and their families who spent the weekend of May 16th at the Naples Beach Hotel. Judging by the laughter coming from the children's end of the pool and on the beach, fun was the word for the weekend. The "adults" had their share of fun at the banquet and Las Vegas night activities. What a great place to hold this type of event!

Both the G. C. Horn Tournament played at the Naples Beach Hotel (despite a short rain delay) and the Poa Annua Tournament held at Flamingo Lakes were an outstanding success. After a few years of rain shortened play, the Poa Classic went the entire 18 holes. In fact, it took an extra two holes to decide the superintendent low gross winner. After 18 holes, Mark Henderson, Glen Klauk and Joe Ondo tied with 73's. On the second playoff hole, Mark took the championship with a par. Glen Klauk finished second on a match of cards with Joe. (You might wonder where 3 time winner Dave Oliver was ... word has it that he was still playing the wheel at the Vegas night!). With this win, Mark qualifies to be on the FGCSA team at the GCSAA in California. Congratulations!

The Palm Beach chapter won the team event for the second year in a row with some outstanding scores. Besides Mark Henderson and Glen Klauk with their 73's, Scott Foster captured 2nd low net with a 68 while Gary Fischer held up his end as the fourth member of the winning team. First low net honors went to Jim Witt, superintendent at Avila GC. The suppliers division was won by Bill Fowler whose low gross of 75 was enough to come in ahead of James McCumber. First place low net supplier honors went to Wayne Garrett with a 67 followed by Scotty Hamm. The longest drive contest was won by Mark Hopkins and Gary Wilhelm while Bill Itschner and Jay Gratton took low gross putt.

On the serious side of the weekend, Rick Walker's FGCSA Education Committee put on a fantastic, well attended seminar early Sunday morning.



*Steven Dwinell, Florida DER, provided Poa seminar attendees with plans for designing acceptable mixing/loading stations.*

Steve Dwinell of the DER gave an outstanding presentation on mixing/loading stations which was very well received by the 60 superintendents attending. John Hinkle of Employers Association of Florida gave an enthusiastic and informative program on employer relations and personnel policies. This seminar should not have been missed and we hope some of the local chapters may contact these speakers to put together a seminar at their local chapter meetings.



### Newly Certified Everglades Members

**Bob Bittner** started his career in the golf course industry by working on the crew for Buddy Carmouche while he was still in high school. He went off to McNeese State University in Lake Charles, Louisiana, to get his B.S. in Horticulture with a minor in Agronomy. After graduating, he returned to Florida to accept a position as Assistant Superintendent at Pelican Bay in Naples, working for Westinghouse. After four years in that position, he was promoted to Superintendent. Then in 1987 he became involved with the construction of Pelicans Nest CC and stayed on as Director of Golf Course Operations until 1990. When The Club - Pelican Bay was

turned over to the members in early 1991, Bob became superintendent.

Bob is an active member of the Everglades chapter. He served as a Board of Director, Secretary/Treasurer, and Vice President of the chapter until he became too busy with the construction of Pelicans Nest GC to continue on the Board. However, he still continues to be a major force in the chapter by promoting the professional image and respect for the position of golf course superintendent.

**Michael Mongoven** is another superintendent who grew up on a Southwest Florida golf course. In his case, it was in Port Charlotte under the direction of Bob Sanderson.

Michael received his B.A. in history from the University of Colorado and then earned an A.S. from Lake City Community College. Upon graduation, he accepted a position as Assistant Superintendent to David Moote at Wildcat Run in Estero. Seven years later when David moved to Marco Island, Michael was named superintendent and held that position for four years. In 1990, he accepted the position as Assistant Director of Golf for the city of Fort Myers. During these past eighteen months he has been busily spending his time overseeing the activities at both Ft. Myers and Eastwood GC.

**Dick McCoy** is the third superintendent from the Everglades chapter to become certified this month.

Unlike Bob and Michael, Dick is a transplant from the north. He received his A.A. in Applied Science and Turf and Ornamental Horticulture from Illinois Central College. After graduation, he worked in Illinois for 9 years before accepting a position as Assistant Superintendent at Innesbrook Resort. After four years at Innesbrook he moved to the Foxfire GC in Naples to serve as superintendent for three years. Then in 1990 he moved to his current position as superintendent at Wyndemere GC.

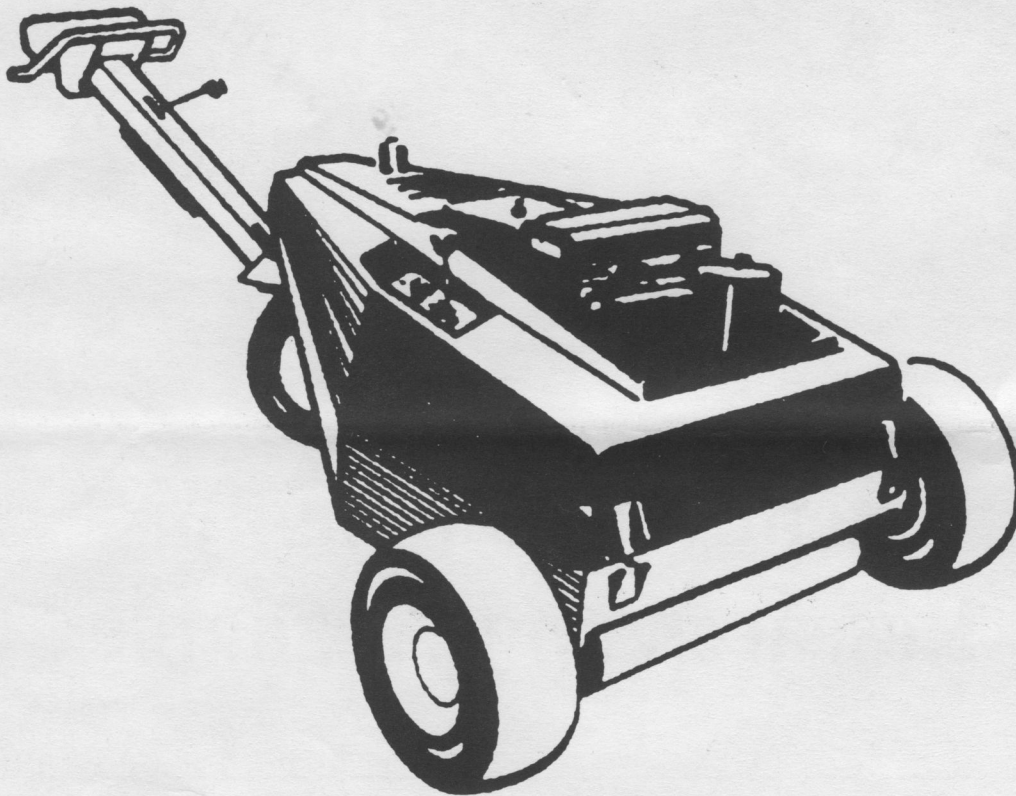
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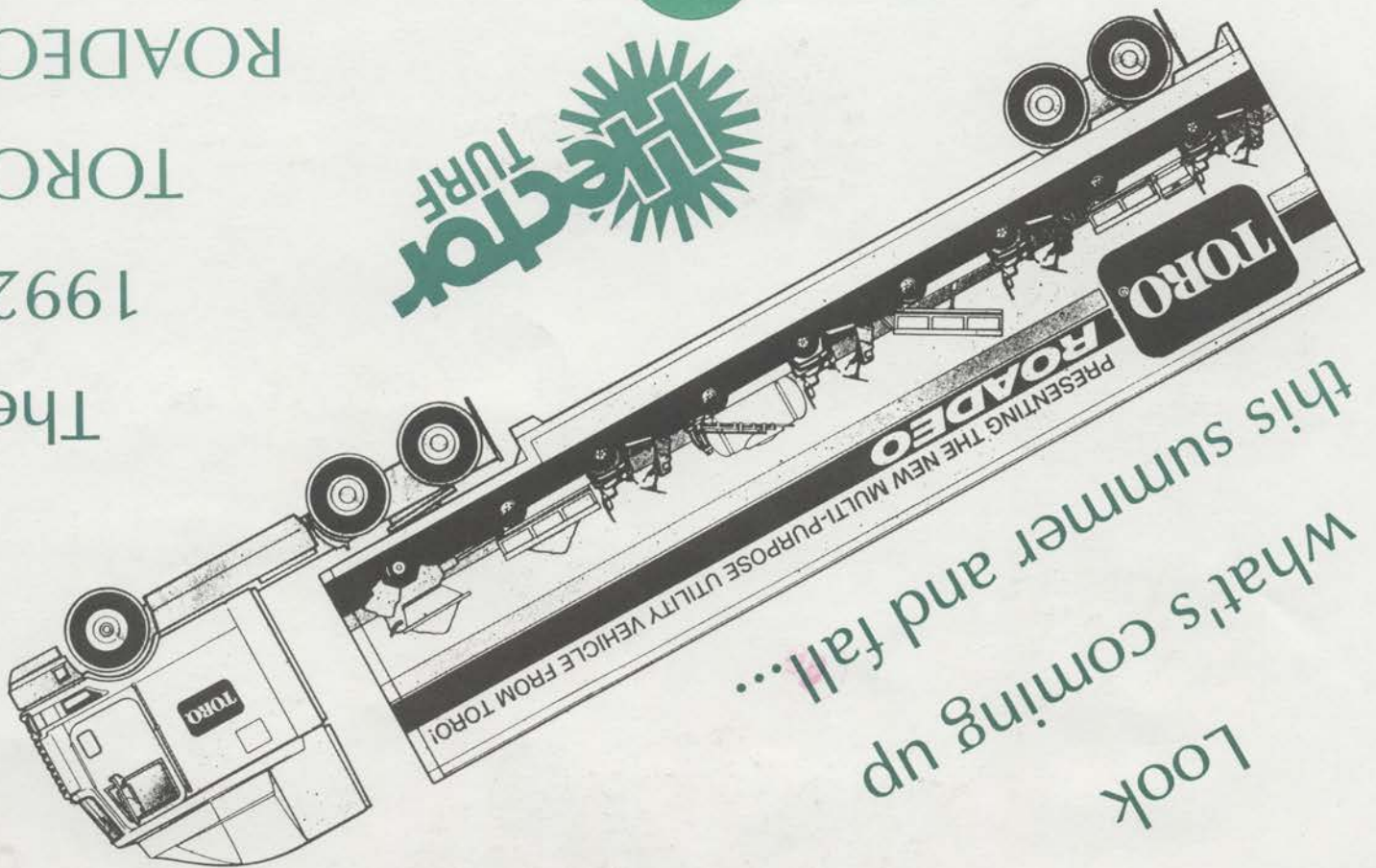
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