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NEWSLETTER OF THE FLORIDA GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION



Bob Yount, FTGA President, takes the microphone during the Awards ceremony after the 2nd Annual Envirotron Golf Classic held at World Woods Golf Club on April 18th.

See pages 4 and 5 for additional photos and results.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| May 9 | West Coast chapter meeting, Avila G&CC | May 18 | PBGCSA chapter meeting, Delray Dunes G&CC. | June 17 | South Florida chapter golf outing, Ocean Reef Club |
| May 10 | GCSAA Irrigation Specialist seminar, Alaquá | May 19 | BioControl Seminar presented by Everglades GCSA, Lee County Extension office | June 15 | PBGCSA chapter meeting, Atlantis GC |
| May 12 | GCSAA Spray Technician Training, Tampa Palms | May 19 | Ridge chapter meeting | June 20 | Pro/Superintendent Tournament, Lake Region |
| May 13 | Environmental Management Seminar, Naples Beach Hotel. Noon-5:30. | May 21 | Treasure Coast benefit tournament, Loblolly Pines | June 27 | Central Florida Field Day, Heathrow CC |
| May 14 | G. C. Horn Tournament, Naples Beach Hotel | May 24 | Suncoast annual chapter meeting, Sara Bay CC | June 28 | Suncoast outing, Golden Ocala GC |
| May 15 | Poa Golf Tournament, Naples Beach Hotel | June 1 | Treasure Coast meeting, Bent Pine GC | July 22-24 | North Florida Transition Tournament weekend |
| May 17 | Central Florida meeting, The Great Outdoors | June 11 | PBGCSA Future of Golf Tournament, Emerald Dunes GC | Aug. 1 | Crowfoot Open |
| | | | | Sept. 17-21 | FTGA Conference and Show, Ft. Lauderdale |

President's Message by Paul Crawford

We have one of our biggest gatherings of the year coming up on May 13, 14, and 15 in Naples. Activities begin with an educational seminar on Friday afternoon and the FGCSA board meeting in the evening. Saturday is the Granny Horn Tournament followed by the banquet with Sunday being the day for the Poa Annua Tournament. Definitely a weekend full of education, camaraderie and, of course, a little golf. Anyone who has not attended this event at the Naples Beach Club should consider coming. The Everglades chapter does an outstanding job. It is important to know that you do not have to play golf to attend the other events. You can pick and chose what you would like to do. There is also



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plenty for the family to do while you are busy with the sponsored activities. We also have a full weekend the first of August when the Central Florida chapter hosts the Crowfoot Open.

Both of these events are great opportunities to get to know the other superintendents in the state. I encourage everyone of you to try to make it to one of these weekends (or both). You will be happy you did. If you need any

further information, call Marie Roberts at our FGCSA office 800 number and she will be glad to see that you get the information you need.

It appears our fund raising efforts are coming in very well and should be even better than last year. This money comes from the rebate programs sponsored by some of our suppliers throughout the state. Any companies considering this should contact our office. We would be happy to sit down with you and discuss a program. Once again, guys, don't forget to support the people who are supporting us. It's one big cycle and it is up to us to keep this going.

Thank you to the people who have helped out and sent in articles to the Florida Green. We will accept full length articles but most important are the 2-3 paragraph segments that are grouped together with a central theme in each issue. We will be sending out Florida Green staff writer golf shirts to those superintendents who supply these for us. These particular articles have been very popular with the golf superintendents and we need your help to keep it going. So when Tom or Marie call you, help us out and send in your part.

See you at one of the summer events.

REMEMBER: Next FGCSA Board Meeting is scheduled for Friday night, May 13th, at the Naples Beach Hotel. All FGCSA members are invited.

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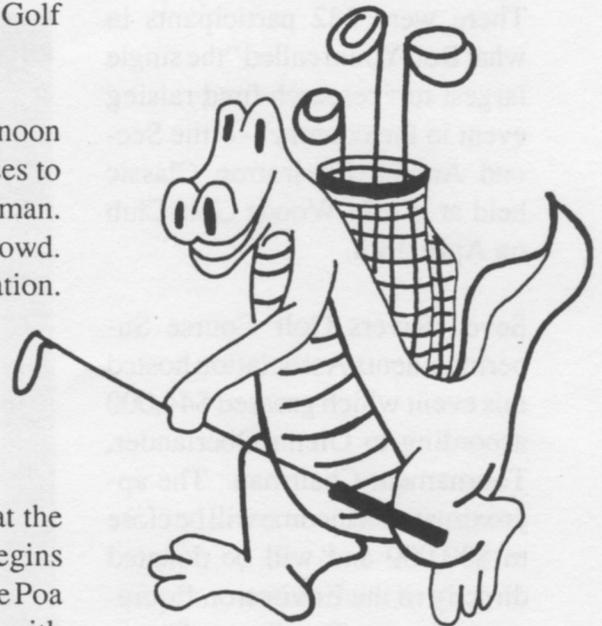
20th Annual Poa Golf Classic Tournament Weekend Activities

The Everglades chapter proudly presents the 20th Annual Poa Annua Golf Classic Tournament at the beautiful Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Club on Friday, May 13th through Sunday, May 15th.

Activities begin with an FGCSA-sponsored five hour seminar at noon on Friday. The topic is Environmental Management and promises to be an extremely interesting seminar presented by Michael Coffman. Early pre-registration figures predict that there will be a large crowd. Certified superintendents will received CEU credit for recertification. Seminar fee is \$40.00 pre-registration and \$50.00 at the door.

The FGCSA Board Meeting will be held on Friday night. All interested parties are invited to attend the meeting.

The G. C. Horn Memorial Tournament will begin at 8:30 a.m. at the Naples Beach Club on Saturday morning. The cocktail party begins at 6:30 p.m. that night with dinner and entertainment to follow. The Poa Annua Golf Classic begins at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday morning with presentation of awards at 1:30 p.m. Late entries may call George Bowling at the Fort Myers Country Club for further information.



"POA 94"

2nd Annual Mike Richards Tournament

Congratulations to the winners of the Second Annual Mike Richards Memorial Scholarship Tournament. The event, held April 18th at Hidden Hills CC in Jacksonville, benefits turf students throughout Florida. This years top gross team winners were Tom Prescott and Bob Jones. The net team winners were Jim Davidson and Carl Russell.

The North Florida chapter wishes to thank all those who participated, the volunteers and most especially the tournament sponsors for helping to make this year's event a huge success.



Bio Control in Turf and Ponds

The Everglades chapter is co-sponsoring a seminar with the Lee County Extension Service on Thursday, May 19th. The two hour seminar will be held at the Cooperative Office in Terry Park in Fort Myers. CEU's have been requested for the program.

The seminar begins at 1:00 p.m. with Dr. Patrick Parkman, U of F, and Cameron McCaskill speaking on control of mole crickets with *Ormia depleta* (red-eyed Brazilian fly) and *Steinernema scapterisci* (Uruguay nematode) respectively. Then at 2:00 p.m. the topic turns to triploid grass carp. Paul Thomas will speak on biology and weed control and John Cassani will speak on stocking and monitoring in Lee County. The seminar concludes with Mike Mongoven discussing the triploid grass carp as it relates to the golf course.

Cost of the seminar is \$3.00. Reservations may be made by calling Letha at the Lee County office, 813-338-3232.

First Annual Treasure Coast GCSA Benefit Scramble will take place on Saturday, May 21st at Loblolly Pines with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. Money raised will go to the Treasure Coast Animal Hospital. Contact Roger Welker at 567-2351 or any TCGCSA board member.

Second Annual Envirotron Golf Classic

There were 232 participants in what Bob Yount called “the single largest turf research fund raising event in the country” — the Second Annual Envirotron Classic held at World Woods Golf Club on April 18th.

Seven Rivers Golf Course Superintendents Association hosted this event which grossed \$44,000 according to Glenn Oberlander, Tournament Chairman. The approximate net income will be close to \$30,000 and will be donated directly to the Envirotron Equipment Fund. The Seven Rivers chapter can be proud of this tremendous accomplishment.

The Envirotron Golf Class would like to thank all sponsors and participants who graciously donated their time and money. A special thanks goes to the Ace Sponsors who donated \$2,500 each to the event: Helena/Vigoro; Pro Equipment; Tresca/Jacobsen; and LESCO. Again this year, World Woods Golf Club General Manager Stan Cooke donated their courses which were in immaculate condition thanks to superintendents Steve Hritsko and Bob Wagner.

Golf results were as follows. Low Net winner of the traveling trophy was the team sponsored by Glen Lakes G&CC consisting of Dave Craighead, Andy Padova, Rick Sadler, and Ralph Glover playing on the Pine Barrens course. The



4-man scramble Low Gross team winners were Mike Cook, Steve Anderson, Mike Anderson, and Glen Gabriel. Meanwhile on the Rolling Oaks GC, the Low Net winner with a 62 was Mack Baugh while Pat Fitzpatrick captured Low Gross honors with a 73.

In addition to the golf, lobbyist Mike Goldie gave an update and fair warning about the upcoming battle over water use that will be waged here in Florida. The program also included an update by Dr. Bert McCarty who invited everyone to visit the new Envirotron and see some of the studies already underway. The Awards ceremony was preceded by a Bar-B-Que dinner of chicken and ribs while the scores were being tabulated.

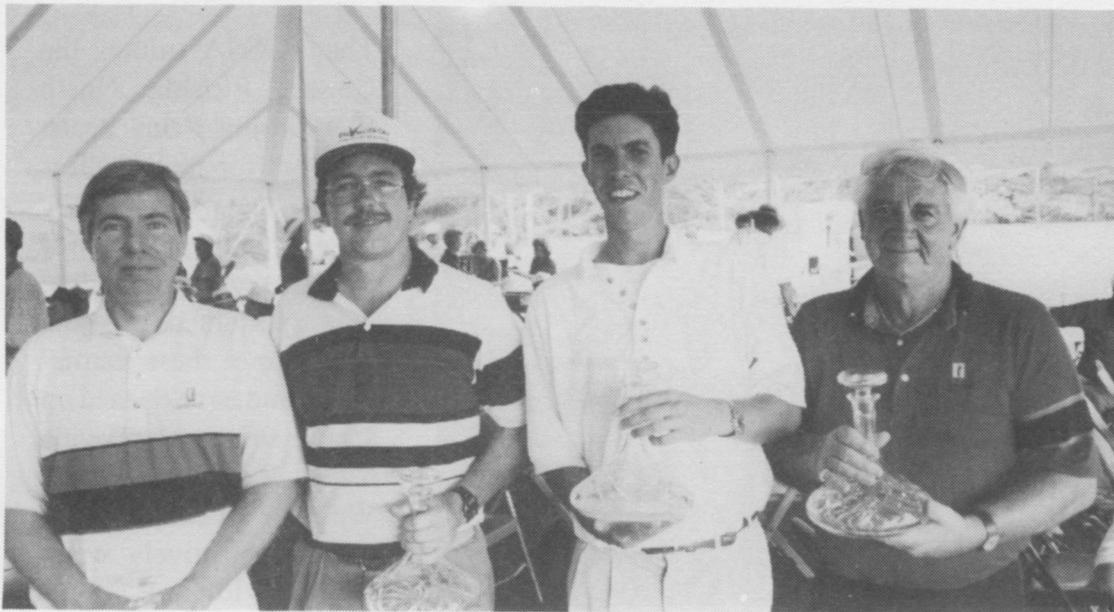
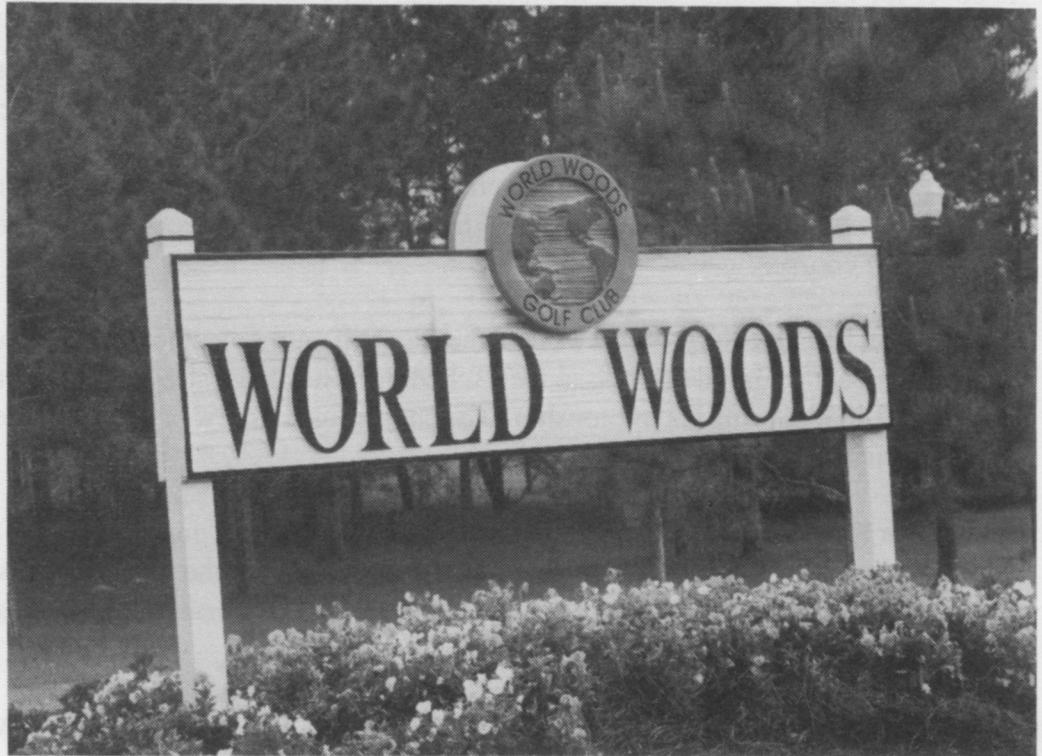
The FGCSA would like to add their congratulations to the Seven Rivers chapter members who donated a considerable amount of time to pull off this major event. Everyone involved can be truly proud of what was accomplished.



Mike Goldie talks to the group while Glenn Oberlander, Tournament Chairman, rushes off to attend to more details.

\$30,000 Raised for Envirotron Equipment Fund

Entrance to beautiful World Woods Golf Club, host of two successful Envirotron Tournaments



Low Net Winners from Glen Lakes G&CC were Dave Craighhead, Andy Padova, Rick Sadler, and Ralph Glover.

CHAPTERS EARN RESEARCH DOLLARS AT TELEVISED EVENTS

It all began back in late January of 1991 when the Palm Beach chapter was asked to help ESPN with the LPGA event at Wycliffe CC in Lake Worth. They did such a good job for ESPN that they were contacted by NBC to cover the PGA Championship in April of that same year. And then the ball started to roll!

During the past three months, three of our local chapters have acted as spotters or scorers for NBC and CBS for tour events throughout the state. This is fast becoming a major fund raising coup for turfgrass research!

The networks must provide their own communications personnel and this is where the local superintendents come in. The networks appreciate the fact that superintendents are "quality volunteers" who know the game and the golf course.

The **Central Florida chapter** has worked the Bay Hill tournament for the past four years and this year added the LPGA event at Grand Cypress to their schedule. They have also been asked to work for CBS during the upcoming LPGA Spring Championship. The chapter uses a crew of approximately 16 - 20 volunteers to get the job done.

The **North Florida chapter** received \$2,500 for helping NBC during the TPC at Sawgrass last month. It must be noted that NBC requires their volunteers to walk with the group, as opposed to CBS which prefers that the volunteers be stationed at each hole throughout the course. So you can see that volunteering for an NBC tournament is indeed hard work.

In April, the **Palm Beach chapter** earned another \$2,600 by working the PGA Seniors Championship at PGA National. This chapter also uses a core of 16 - 20 volunteers and there is always a list of superintendents waiting to get on the list! When you realize that the team of volunteers must commit to work all four days of the tournament, you begin to see what a large personal commitment it is for a busy superintendent to make.



Palm Beach chapter members Paul Crawford, Danny Miller, Dale Mitchell, Brent Hawk and Andy Lemmel relax in front of the NBC trailer.

The FGCSA salutes the Central Florida, North Florida and Palm Beach chapters for their dedication to the sport. They have earned a reputation of being savvy, knowledgeable spotters during the coverage of these tournaments and have opened up a new source of revenue for other chapters to use. We hope all chapters will respond positively when contacted to work a tournament in their area. And it is a lot of fun!



JOB CHANGES

John Baute is leaving Breakers West GC to begin construction of the Royal Westmoreland GC in St. James, Barbados

Frank Kynkor has moved from St. Andrews CC to PGA National.

Tom Vlach has moved from Ekana GC to become superintendent at Pine Tree GC in Boynton Beach.

Steve Spaugh, former Assistant at Bonita Bay, is now the superintendent at Wildcat Run in Estero.

Buddy Carmouche, CGCS, has left Hole-in-the-Wall GC to go into a related service position.

Tim Perez, formerly of Old Hickory, is now superintendent at Pelican Point G&CC in Venice.

Tom Mackanos is now head superintendent at Miles Grant CC in Stuart.

Jim Slingland, formerly at Pipers Landing CC, is now working for Miles Grant CC in Stuart.

Brian Lentz, formerly assistant at Interlachen CC is now superintendent at DeBary Plantation.

Terry Stanley, former Assistant at Quail Creek GC, has accepted the position as superintendent at Foxfire GC in Naples.

Newly Certified Superintendent

Scott Hamm, our latest FGCSA certified superintendent, has been working in the golf course industry since the age of seven when his father built Turkey Run Golf Club in Waveland, Indiana. After high school graduation, Scott was put in charge of the maintenance of the family-owned golf course.

Three years later, Scott moved to Florida to become involved with the construction of Fiddlesticks Country Club in Naples under the direction of Buddy Carmouche. He left Fiddlesticks to take the position of superintendent at Okeechobee G&CC for a year until he decided to go to Lake City Community College. While at Lake City, he did his internship for David Court at Boca Lago GC.

After graduation, he returned to Fiddlesticks for two years, this time under the direction of Lou Conzelmann. He then accepted the position of golf course superintendent at Cape Coral CC for two years and is now superintendent at Riverwood GC in Port Charlotte. He is very proud to have been the host superintendent of the Annual LCCC Endowment Tournament for the past two years where over \$5,000 was raised last month.

Scott would like to thank Buddy, Lou, and David for their help in his early years in Florida and states that they were the role models who encouraged him to seek the certified status as soon as possible.



Scott Hamm's golf course, Riverwood CC, was the site of the Second Annual LCCC Tournament held in January

POSITION AVAILABLE

TPC at Sawgrass is looking for an Assistant for their Valley Golf Course. Contact Fred Klauk, Jr. at 102 TPC Blvd., Ponte Vedra, FL 32082



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