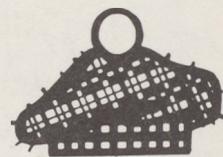


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I WANT TO BE YOUR FRIEND

I see you at the meetings; but you never
say hello,

You're busy all the time you're there,
with those you already know.

I sit amongst the members and yet
I'm a lonesome guy;

The new ones are as strange as I, but
you old members pass me by.

But darn it, you folks asked us in,
and talked of fellowship,

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Paul Schurtz and his Panther Valley C.C. will host our May meeting. Paul's Course is a real test . . . you should use every club in the bag before the day is over . . .

June sees us visiting Skip Cameron's Canoe Brook C.C. for our Second Annual Two-Man-Best-Ball Championship. Canoe Brook has

always been a formidable foe to the many golfers who have played it during the many Championship Tournaments it has hosted down thru the years. In the early sixties Wes Ellis won the Metropolitan Open Championship by 14 shots at the Summit, N.J. club . . . the only player to finish near par for the 72 hole Tournament. Skip has promised to make the Course easier for us . . . but at Canoe Brook . . . that might be difficult to do.

Mike Dale and his Emerson C.C. will host our August meeting. Like Cranbury, Emerson is a club that has never hosted a GCSANJ meeting and we are all looking forward to the visit.

Fairmount C.C. will be the site for this years Invitational Championship Tournament in October. Todd Polidor, Fairmount's Supt., will be

our Host. The Committee has already started planning for the event . . . and is positive it will be BIGGER and BETTER than our highly successful 1978 Tournament. The field will be restricted to the first 32 Teams that respond . . . so be smart . . . make your plans early. Tournament information will be sent out in August.

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I hope everyone enjoyed themselves at Atlantis and is looking forward to a good year . . . GOOD Golf and GOOD Turf.

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The year was 1969 . . . ten years ago this month . . . when a few Golf Course Superintendents, Sod Growers, Nurserymen and others interested in the future of the Turfgrass Industry in our Garden State . . . convened and organized the New Jersey Turfgrass Association. Attending the birth of the new Association that day . . . were the Turfgrass Specialists from Cook College-Rutgers University . . . who had . . . for some time . . . been preaching the merits of "unity" within our industry.

Ten years is not a long time, but the achievements gained in that period of time should be a cause for celebration during this year of 1979. We should celebrate because the joy of success belongs to not only each and every member . . . but to all of the organizations in the Turfgrass Industry throughout the state as well . . . Because we all pulled together from the onset . . . we can be proud of the viable organization we boast membership in today.

As we celebrate, let us salute those Officers, Directors, Drs. Engel and

Indyk and other members of the Cook College-Rutgers University Staff who have given so unselfishly of their time and energies, over these past ten years, in behalf of our Association.

By virtue of its very uniqueness . . . the New Jersey Turfgrass Association, in concert with Cook College-Rutgers University, has "fathered" our Annual Turfgrass EXPO. During the five year period of its existence, registration statistics have indicated an increase from 400 in its first year of introduction as New Jersey Turfgrass Expo '74 to over 1000 for this past years event.

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So, sit back and CELEBRATE the achievements that "unity" within our industry has afforded us over these past ten years. Without the cooperation between the GCSANJ and the NJTA and similar turfgrass groups . . . we would still be growing grass with the "wrong side up".

** The author, Leo Cleary, was a pioneer in the effort to cohesify the "green industry". Elected to be the 1st. President of the NJTA in 1960 . . . Leo was later to become recipient to New Jersey's highest single honor . . . he was elected to the New Jersey Turfgrass Hall of Fame in 1976. Though officially retired from the industry, Leo continues to promote turf and to inspire those who work with it . . .

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RESPONSE

The January and February issue of the GCSANJ NEWSLETTER published two articles that questioned the 1978 Board of Directors decision to suspend two of our members for their violations of our code of ethics. As a member of that Board I feel obligated to answer those questions, although my response will be my own opinions and will not necessarily reflect those of the entire Board.

DID THE ASSOCIATION PROCEED FAIRLY IN MAKING THEIR DECISION AND WAS SERIOUS THOUGHT GIVEN THAT DECISION?

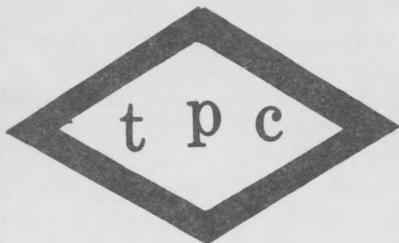
The better part of three months were devoted to examining the facts of this matter. The Ethics Chairman, Les Mickins, visited and/or talked by 'phone with the three members involved and in many instances re-checked dates and information as to deliver the facts accurately. The entire December Board Meeting was devoted to this matter and although all facts showed violations had been committed, the decision reached was not an easy one.

I personally feel the strain now placed on the Board for that decision is unjustified. One of the previous articles stated that this situation is not new to our organization and that similar actions were never taken before. This, in fact, is where the real problem lies. As our President, Joe Flaherty, so capably pointed out at our Annual Meeting, without a code of ethics we can have nothing more than a socially oriented group. Trust and cooperation are the collective keys to our success. Without them we can have no direction or goals for which to strive.

WILL THE ASSOCIATION INVESTIGATE EACH JOB CHANGE FOR VIOLATIONS?

I would hope any and all violations brought to future Board's attention will be examined. If similar measures have to be taken, and are not, then we have been very unfair in this case to all involved parties and to our entire membership. My hope is that future Boards look for ways to strengthen our Association and explore avenues that will minimize these situations.

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WAS PUNISHMENT TOO SEVERE?

As I interpret the By-Laws, a one year suspension is mandatory for such violations. Although I personally encourage the present Board to consider reducing the initial length of suspension. Both of these men have taken an active part in our State Association in the past and may be experiencing unjust pressure due to the publicity this matter has received. I also suggest that periodic contact is made with the suspended members through our Board and every possible step is taken to inform our unemployed constituent of possible job opportunities.

DID MOST MEMBERS THINK THE DECISION WAS WRONG?

While a few comments made at our Annual Meeting were against the action, most who did mention it to individual Board Members were very positive. Many suggested that if the proper steps were not taken to comply with provisions in our By-Laws they would no longer feel a need to continue membership in our Association.

DID THE BOARD MAR THEIR REPUTATIONS WITH THIS DECISION?

Definitely not. I feel it only strengthened its position with the membership. A strong Board that acts on the issues when necessary is the backbone of a progressive association.

It was also suggested that the Board be held responsible for the individual members understanding of the Code of Ethics and that it was in fact our fault this situation even occurred. This suggestion is preposterous. Each member is supplied with a copy of the Code of Ethics in their By-Laws. It is their responsibility to read and understand them. If there is any question regarding this code they can be brought to the Board's or District's attention for explanation.

In closing I would like to thank Jim Gilligan and Harvey Dreibelbis for their interest and concern in this matter. It is with this type of action that interest is developed, questions are answered and changes are made.

Respectfully yours,

Ed Walsh
CGCS

Dear Editor:

I feel the Officers and Board of Directors should be commended for their handling of a recent code of ethics violation which necessitated the suspension of two of our members.

Some might say they were to harsh — not so. For this is a problem which has haunted our association for years and this time it was not swept under the carpet. I am well aware we cannot control clubs hiring practices, but if we control our members actions, it should eventually have an affect on the clubs attitude toward hiring.

Some might plead ignorance but there is always a code of ethics to be reckoned with in any association. Further, some actions should not have to be curtailed by laws but by common decency.

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Tammy Brook Country Club and Sabby DeFalco hosted District #1's April District meeting. Dr. Louis Vasvary, Rutgers Entomology Specialist and Ken England, Mobay (formerly Chemagro) Representative discussed Turf Insect Pests and Pesticide Controls . . . the meeting was attended by 28 members and guests. When Dr. Vasvary and Ken England had concluded the main body of their presentation . . . a floor discussion was initiated; one that brought about some very interesting comments about Pesticide usage. Jim Kaczinski, Supt., Rockland C.C., told of his club's use of Dasanit for grub control and the injury it caused to the "wild" geese population residing near the club . . . Jim informed the group that the E.P.A. investigated the matter and a subsequent law suit was filed for "alleged" misuse of the product. Rockland Country Club and the

Mobay Company are presently fighting the charge; the outcome of same will be of interest to all of us. Our thanks to Sabby and Pete DeFalco for their warm welcome and hospitality. We hope to visit Tammy Brook again in the near future. Congratulations are in order for Dave Lerner, Mike O'Connor and Dennis Shea . . . all having been appointed Superintendents over the Winter. Dave, a two year Asst. at Ridgewood and a graduate of Michigan State, accepted the appointment to Rossmorr Village. Mike, also an Asst. at Ridgewood C.C. (1977 season) and a Graduate of The University of Mass. Turf Program was appointed to fill the Supts. position at the Basin Harbor Club in Vermont. Dennis, who served as Asst. Supt. at Emerson C.C. for the past two years found his appointment at the Sunset Valley Golf Club; Pompton Plains. Let's wish all three of these fine young Superintendents

the BEST OF LUCK in their new ventures!!

Bill Sica has just completed two firsts: He completed his first full year as Superintendent at Arcola C.C., Paramus, N.J. and also completed his first year at the two year Rutgers Turf School . . . By the way . . . despite some real adverse conditions last year . . . Bill brought his course home in great shape! Continued GOOD LUCK, Bill!!

If drainage happens to be your problem . . . contact John Emmolo, Supt., Haworth Golf Club. John's course is located in a "low" land area . . . and for years was known to be a "wet" course . . . but not anymore. Over a period of time . . . by installing more than a mile of drain pipe, numerous catch basins and holding ponds . . . Haworth is open for play much sooner in the early Spring than it used to be in past years. This means not only a show of better quality turf, but more play. Hence . . . increased revenues. And that's what it's all about!

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begin initiating the long range tree planting program designed by Prof. Ray Korbobo.

Mike Hannigan (Rock Spring Club) is reported supervising the construction of four (4) new Hard-True Tennis Courts to replace the club's old clay courts. Mike is also installing two (2) 3 H.P. Otterbine Water Aerators in the club's five (5) acre lake . . . the latest proven way to chase unwanted algae . . .

Montclair Golf Club's veteran Supt. Ed Nickelsen tells us he hopes to have a quiet season . . . just maintaining turf . . .

"Big John" Schollner (Essex County C.C.) takes exception to Ed Walsh's comment about his golf game in the last NEWSLETTER. John would like to pick the course and date . . . and put a stop to this slanderous propaganda once and for all. John tells us he only wants 10 shots per side!

Tony Bifano (Mountain Ridge Country Club) continues to improve and beautify his course by virtue of his tree planting program. Tony and his staff are also in the process of building several new sand traps to further enhance what many consider to be one of the finest lay-outs in the state . . .

Canoe Brook's Skip Cameron has his hands full with an extensive landscape project that will be projected over the next few months (also designed by Prof. Ray Korbobo). Included in this project will be \$\$\$\$ many new trees, \$\$\$\$ shrubs, tees \$\$\$\$ traps and other \$\$\$\$ alterations to his course . . .

Bob Dickinson (Upper Montclair C.C.) reports the preparations for the "Coke Classic" (L.P.G.A.) are keeping he and his staff very busy these days.

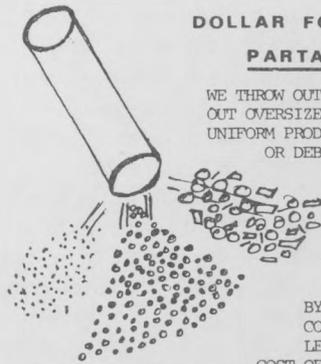
On April 5 District #2 hosted a meeting with their respective Lady Golf Chairwomen at the Rock Spring Club (West Orange, N.J.) Following lunch . . . Jim Snow (USGA Green Section Agronomist), guest speaker, gave a talk, entitled, "Golf Course Maint. and The Lady Golfer." All present felt Jim did a SUPER job in explaining that all golf course projects are not really started on Ladies Day. Jim also gave brief . . . but to the point explanations as to why we . . . the Superintendents . . . must perform such annoying tasks as day-time syringing, aerifying, topdressing, spraying, etc. . . .

When Arthur (Preakness Hills C.C.)

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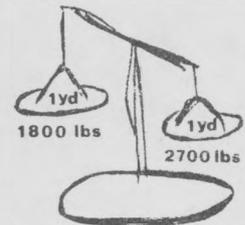


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District #3 sure know's how to utilize local talent for their Winter-Workshop meetings. Bill Dawes hosted a meeting at his club, Mendham Golf and Tennis, at which Edward Milewski (Extension Service) spoke to "Pests of Ornamentals — Identification and Control." One month later . . . Tom Crump (Supt., Mount Tabor C.C.) hosted a meeting; they had for a guest speaker . . . George Stang. George, who is employed by the Soil Conservation folks . . . spoke on a favorite topic of ours: Drainage.

Todd Polidor of Fairmount Country Club has passed his golfing talent on to his son, Duke, who plays for the Madison High School Golf Team. We understand that Duked handles the clubs quite well . . .

CONGRATULATIONS are in order for Les Carpenter Jr.; recently retained as the Golf Course Superintendent at Picatinny Arsenal. We all wish him the Best of everything in his new job. Things really aren't that bad at Braidburn C.C. . . . where Les's Dad, "Bucky" is the Golf Course Supt. After all . . . even though young Les had departed the nest . . . "Bucky" still has two more sons in his stable . . .

Old Man Winter certainly tried to do his destructive best at Roxiticus C.C. Bob Ribbans, Roxiticus's congenial Super reports that extensive damage was done to his ponds . . . most damage caused by melting snows and melting rains.

The members of DISTRICT #4 continue to make their headquarters at Panther Valley. Because of it's central location (Geographic) as

regards the District . . . this beautiful meeting place is accessible to all . . . Only last evening 17 members and guests met there for Dinner . . . and later to hear a presentation by Diamond Shamrock's Ted Kabat. His subject: Crabgrass Control. All present agreed . . . his delivery was excellent! We all went home that night feeling Ted had given us the latest information . . . information tht we all have use for . . .

Floyd (Harkers Hollow) Staats, David (Oak Hill) McGhee and Paul (Fiddler's Elbow) Boizelle were in attendance at the first Spring meeting held by the Pocono Turfgrass Association. After Dinner, Paul (the Guest Speaker) gave a slide presentation entitled, "Why Not A Tree Nursery On The Golf Course." Byron Phoebus tells us his new home is almost ready for occupancy. He should know . . . because he built it himself . . .

Tom (Newton C.C.) Zimich continues to increase the number of miles he jogs each week. Would believe 30? The members of District #4 are glad to see M.D. "DOC" Crawford back with us again . . . Eighty-One years young . . . "our" Dean of the Road . . .

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... a road he's travelled for many,
many years ...

Jim (Pocono Turf) Ryan has to have
the SUNNIEST disposition of
them all ... Hardly ever see Jim
without his ever present SMILE ...
Holiday Lakes Country Club's veteran
Superintendent, Fred Rogers tells us
he's really glad to see that Spring
finally arrived!!! Holiday Lakes
(located at the northern tip of the
state ... near Port Jervis) has
experienced some real rugged Winters
over the past five years or so ...

We are all glad to hear that Brian
Yarborough's wife, Lorraine, is on the
mend. Lorraine had an operation in
late March ...

Other DISTRICT #5 News: On
Tuesday, May 8th ... the members
of District #5 met for Lunch, Golf and
Dinner at The Bedens Brook Club,
but this time with a different twist ...
The Superintendents in the District
invited their respective Green
Chairman to enjoy the day and
evening with them ... Likewise, the
Commercial members of the District
invited one of their Corporate
Officers. From where we view it ...
this sounds like the members of this

District are "wide-awake" ... where
can you buy this type of Public
Relations. Perhaps some of the other
Districts might jump on this type of
band wagon ...!!!

Nick (I'll Never Retire) Florio wishes
to be remembered to all ... Once
again, Nick would like to have his
old friends stop by to see him at
Pennbrook Golf Club, Basking Ridge,
N.J. ...

Les Stout (Supt., Somerset Hills C.C.)
tells us he's already spraying for
leafspot ... Hang in there, Les ...
it's gonna'be a long Summer ...

District #6 and District #8 will be
holding a joint meeting at Old York
C.C. ... where John Wantz is the
Superintendent. The Speaker: Roy
Griffiths (O.M. SCOTT) His Subject:
POA ANNUAL CONTROL ...

In July (date to be announced shortly)
the members of District #5 plan to get
together for a two-night golf meeting
at Suburban Golf Club ...

Dennis Wagner's Asst., "Chip" Kern
... just tied the Knot ... The lucky
young lady's name is ... Ingrid.
Congratulations and Best Wishes to
you both!

Tom Sandle, Supt., Tamarack Golf
Club reported doing well ... as he
continues to recuperate from a heart
attack he experienced during the
Winter ... Why not drop Tom a
card. His Address: 149F Morristown
Road, Matawan, N.J. 07747.

Dennis Wagner is having a Pesticide
Applicator's Record Form printed ...
as a matter of fact ... it's at the
printers now. If you are interested in
obtaining the forms ... drop Dennis
a note ... **DON'T CALL.** He says the
club operator might not understand ...

DISTRICT #7's John Edgar, Old
Orchard Country Club's Veteran Supt.
tells us that "drainage problems"
never really end ... his course
(constructed back in the 1920's) is still
calling for "new" drainage pipe to
replace the "old". So far this year,
John reports ... "we have installed
over 1300' of pipe."

Superintendent Bob Cooper,
Forelakes Golf Club will be leaving
Forelakes in early May ... he will be
joining forces with his Dad ... in the
"family" Nursery Business ... Good
Luck, Bob!!

Rumson Country Club's Ed Brittain is
all smiles these days ... a new
grandchild is expected any time now
... Son Pete and Daughter-in-Law,
Kari ... have assured Ed that it will
either be a boy or a girl ...

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Phil (Bamm Hollow C.C.) Scott tells us that Ed also does other things besides waiting for the arrival of the expected grandchild . . . 'Seems like Ed still enjoys the "STOCK CAR" races from time to time. Phil should know . . . because he times to times with Ed from time to time . . .

CLAM DIGGER RUMORS: Jim O'Gibney (so we are told) has been attending night school for over a month now . . . 'taking a course in Irish "brogue". Jim does this every five years or so . . . "Just to keep the edge on the 'ole blarney voice box . . .

DISTRICT #8 HAPPENINGS: Our last DISTRICT meeting was held at Centerton C.C. . . . with Karl Renne as Host Superintendent. The meeting started at 1:00 P.M.; featuring Bob Cooper (TUCO PRODUCTS). Bob gave an excellent presentation . . . touching on all aspects of THATCH . . . relative to disease, insects, chemical application problems, etc. Paul Boizelle also gave a "gung-ho" (term applied by Director Jim) pep talk regarding the "past history" of the GCSANJI. Paul, who serves as State Historian, asked the group to forward any information pertaining to GCSANJ's past to him . . . this might

include "old" photographs, correspondence, etc.

On April 19, the State meeting was held at Atlantis Country Club; hosted by District #8. Our thanks go out to Walt Wardenski . . . Host Superintendent. Walt made sure that all everyone in attendance had SUPER CARE!! The Buffet, attended by 86, was simply . . . GREAT!! If you were not in attendance that evening you missed out on a forest of food. Speaking of forests . . . all we heard about . . . was how many trees everybody hit; (maybe next years early meeting should be held at a "wide open" course.)

Sky Bergen (Vaughan Seed's gift to the Superintendent's Tour) actually had someone on the next fairway over . . . obstruct the path of his ball! At days end . . . high score was 143 and low score 73. That's the kind of range even I could play in.

Pete Busatti (Who is also an HONORARY MEMBER of our Association) was our guest speaker that evening. Pete gave us a blow by blow accounting as to how he directs the LPGA COCA COLA Classic . . . from start to finish. We were all amazed by the amount of detail that goes into the preparation, etc. As Pete concluded

his remarks . . . he thanked us all for the great support we have given to the LPGA tournaments in the past . . .

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVES CHANGES IN CERTIFICATION POLICY

The GCSAA Executive Committee has approved the following changes in the certification policy. Credits toward certification renewal are now allowed for GCSAA approved one-day seminars. Each one-day seminar taken and passed is 1 point of credit. The second change relates to the initial certification examination. Any section(s) of the initial examination which is not passed can be retaken a maximum of 2 additional times. If the applicant, upon his third try does not pass the examination he must wait until his verification period of 1 year is up before reapplying in the Certification Program.

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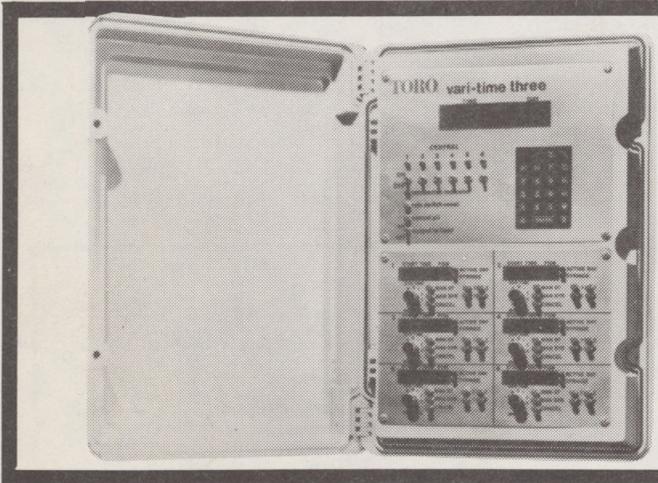
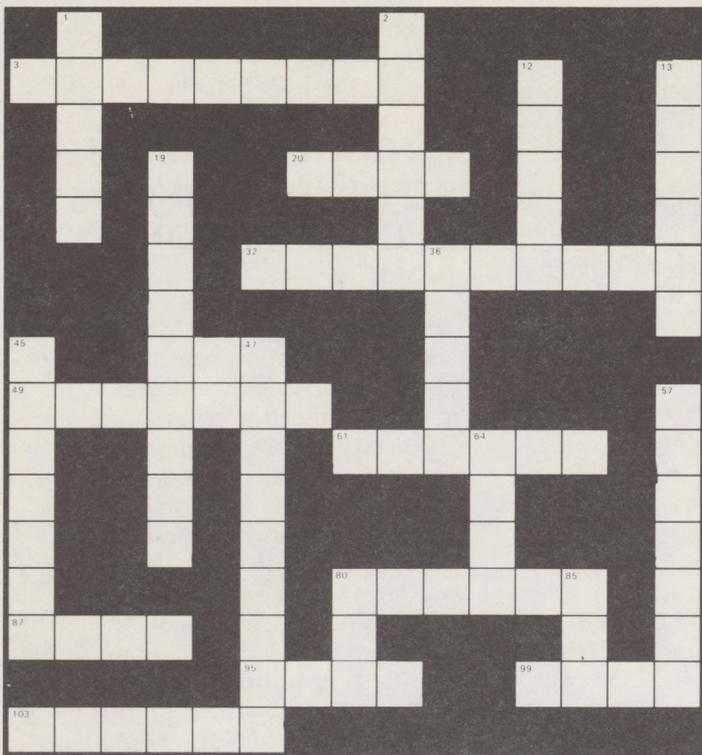
Across:

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| 3 | Big City Grass | 80 | Rust head |
| 20 | Found in cheap magazines | 87 | Type of Tall Fescue |
| 32 | Roadside grass | 95 | Grass embryo |
| 49 | Ireland's nick-name | 99 | Horse food |
| 61 | Mr. Meyer's grass | 103 | Plants with spores |

Down:

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| 1 | A small area | 45 | Atlantic island |
| 2 | Yearly | 47 | Grows in Kentucky |
| 12 | Not straight | 57 | Bugs |
| 13 | Plush fabric | 64 | Grass blemish |
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