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Mike Stachowicz is truly home on the range at the newly-developed Ranch Golf Club

This proves that eventualities (some call it destiny) have no boundaries.

When Mike Stachowicz was in high school in Huntington and his father was a foreman at the old Hall family dairy farm in Southwick, he dreaded Saturday nights. "That job spoiled my Saturday nights," he recalled. "In fact, there wasn't any Saturday night for me. I had to go to bed early, get up at two o'clock Sunday morning and get to the farm by three to start milking."

More than a decade later, Mike still finds himself trying to "milk" something out of the rolling, deeply wooded remains of that same farm as golf course superintendent of the newest and intriguing addition to the game's spreading landscape, The Ranch Golf Club. The latter designation represents the fourth in a stream of names for the course. The lineup began with The Farm, then The Old Farm, Sunnyside Ranch and, eventually (there's a form of that word again), The Ranch Golf Club.

"This really is a time of changes for us," said Stachowicz, who fills in nicely as an imposing spokesperson for the operation. "For example, tomorrow we're going to have a meeting to hash out the selection of a club logo. There have been a lot of suggestions, but we have to nail down one. We're going into the sight of spring and have to get our scorecards printed."

"We" are the strings supporting the lavish impression of this venture. Pulling them are people like Stachowicz with the major manipulator, Peter Clark, whose present title of managing partner indicates that the last word on any decision flows through his mouth. Clark is out of a familiar Cape Cod stable of successful golf

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Mike Stachowicz
The Ranch G.C.

developments – Willowbend Management. In fact, Willowbend is running the place.

The Hall family owns all the land, including surrounding acreage, which is pegged for home sites inside a gated community. That phase of action, however, is located about halfway down The Ranch's agenda. The course itself is being constructed by an outfit called Intergolf.

Stachowicz, who's been on the property for over 18 months, comes to The Ranch with sparkling credentials. His last stop was Cranwell Golf Resort, which he turned into one of the Berkshires' golfing gems in less than two years. Before that he rehearsed and refined his golf course conditioning act at the Taconic Golf Club, Springfield Country Club, and Stockbridge Golf Club.

Mike's personal background includes association with another interesting eventuality. He graduated from Gateway Regional High School, which turns out to be veritable superintendents' launching pad. Other grads and superintendents are his brother Jeremy (Wahconah), Kent Lemme (Taconic), Todd Lemme (Wyckoff Park), and Bruce Packard (Stockbridge). Stachowicz (Mike, that is) also went the full route as an alumnus of UMass and its four-year turf management program.

Damien Pazcuzeo is the architect for The Ranch, which winds through rolling hills, meanders into deeply wooded nooks, and yawns through wide fairways running along the club's main thoroughfare, Sunnyside Road. According to Stachowicz, the disciple of Robert Muir Graves (the West Coast Geoff Cornish) has outdone himself, creating a facility that is kind and gentle to the average golfer and fiercely

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challenging to the accomplished player.

"He has covered the full scope of golfing ability," Mike described Pazcuzeo's impact on the course. "We have four sets of tees that can transform the layout from 5,000 yards (front) to 7,200 (championship). The tees average 7,000 sq. ft., the greens 6,500. Everything on the golf course (save the rough) is bentgrass. If you had been here last fall, you'd have seen the greenest green as the grass fought its way through the surface."

There is nothing flimsy about the intent of Ranch management to turn the club into an upscale public course that caters to no one but beckons to all for a look-see at something special in golfing facilities.

"Right now our priorities, as we prepare for what we hope will be a full 18-hole opening July 4th, are course conditioning, course design, and customer services," Stachowicz emphasized. "We want potential players to come in and feel they'll be treated like a member at a well-run and fine-tuned country club. We've kind of patterned our operation after Arizona golf resorts."

There are those who draw local comparison to Crumpin-Fox, a highly successful public golf course and golf outing facility located in Bernardston, less than 50 miles from The Ranch. "That's a pretty good comparison," Stachowicz noted. "However, we're not trying to imitate or duplicate. We'll have our own way of doing things, our own twist. We think we'll catch on."

Although the golf community concept remains on The Ranch's agenda, people there stress the fact that the golf course will be the property's main attraction. And golf will be its main thrust. "We're not planning on having any swimming pools, tennis courts, or sidecars like those," Stachowicz disclosed. "We'll have a facility to accommodate outings, but not on a big country club scale. If things follow the course we expect, people will go away from here believing they've just been part of an unforgettable golf experience."

The last seeding (the practice green, of course) rounded off that phase of construction in November. So, with a full spring and half-summer set aside to nurture turf development and grass growth, Ranch officials feel an Independence Day opening to be feasible.

The construction company figures it has about one month's work left and hopes a cooperative spring makes it possible to

get that away and done with. Meanwhile, Stachowicz and his crew will have plenty to do. The Ranch has been very generous in fairway distribution. "We have 40 acres of fairway, whereas the average course has from 20 to 25 acres," Stachowicz advised.

The layout, which is dotted with 58 bunkers, will have water holes. Most will be semi-natural since the ponds have been dug on soft or wet spots on the grounds. A pavilion is in the immediate works and just completed is a maintenance building where Stachowicz is collecting equipment to be out to use when the weather breaks.

"It would have been nice to have an open (no snow cover) winter so that we could get a head start in the spring," Mike told. "However, the cover is good for my grass, and who knows what will happen in the way of weather down the road? Whatever happens, we'll be ready for it."

Stachowicz has surrounded himself with good people as the nucleus of a work crew that will run anywhere from 15 to 20 when it's in full bloom. Key associates are assistant superintendent Fred Sico, a local master of most trades who has a feel for Southwick and strong incentive to help The Ranch succeed, and mechanic Bruce Ferrari, who had a knowing hand in similar situations with Stachowicz. "They step up to the plate and don't flinch," Mike described.

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CALENDAR . . .

- March 27 **GCSANE Monthly Meeting**
Franklin C.C.
Franklin, Mass.
Supt. - Gary Luccini
- April 23 **GCSANE Monthly Meeting**
(Joint meeting with R.I.)
Blue Hill C.C.
Canton, Mass.
Supt. - Vincent Iacono
- May 8 **Scholarship & Benevolence Tournament**
Marlborough C.C.
Marlborough, Mass.
Supt. - Ken Crimmings
- June 20 **GCSANE Monthly Meeting**
Hickory Ridge C.C.
Amherst, Mass.
Supt. - Robert Ruzsala
- June 20 **UMass Turf Research Field Day**
South Deerfield, Mass.
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New England well-represented at GCSAA's International Golf Course Conference & Show

Scenes from the Nor'easter Reception at the Adams Mark Hotel in Dallas, Texas



Among those in attendance were (l. to r.) Mike Iacono, Mike Varkonyi, and Vincent Iacono.



John LeClair (left) and Roger Brink take the opportunity to compare notes at the conference.



Still on their feet after a day checking out the conference are (l. to r.) Don Hearn, Bob DiRico, and Daryn Brown.



"A Rose Among Thorns." Enjoying the evening are (l. to r.) Conor Fitzgerald, Raina Heller, and David Stowe.



... More faces in the crowd ... were you there?



OSHA revises record-keeping regulations; aims to improve tracking of workplace injuries

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has issued a revised rule to improve the system employers use to track and record workplace injuries and illnesses.

OSHA's record-keeping requirements, in place since 1971, were designed to help employers recognize workplace hazards and correct hazardous conditions by keeping track of work-related injuries and illnesses and their causes. The revised rule will produce better information about occupational injuries and illnesses while simplifying the overall record-keeping system for employers. The rule will also better protect employees' privacy.

"Record-keeping is a critical part of safety and health efforts in every workplace," said Secretary of Labor Alexis M. Herman. "The revision we are announcing today will not lessen an employer's record-keeping responsibilities, but it will make it easier to successfully meet the requirements."

The final rule becomes effective on Jan. 1, 2002, and will affect approximately 1.3 million establishments. OSHA is publishing the rule now to give employers ample time to learn the new requirements and to revise computer systems they may be using for record-keeping. (During this transition period, employers must adhere to requirements of the original rule).

Like the former rule, employers with 10 or fewer employees are exempt from most requirements of the new rule, as are a number of industries classified as low-hazard-retail, service, finance, insurance, and real estate sectors. The new rule updates the list of exempted industries to reflect recent industry data. (All employers

covered by the Occupational Safety and Health Act must continue to report any workplace incident resulting in a fatality or hospitalization of three or more employees).

SAFETY

"After three decades of what many employers considered complicated record-keeping requirements with cumbersome forms and limited technological assistance, OSHA is revising this rule to address some of these concerns. This rule-making completes a larger agency effort to revise, update and simplify requirements that many considered too lengthy and complex," said OSHA Administrator Charles N. Jeffress. "The new rule combines previous

regulatory requirements and interpretations into one clear and precise document that will aid an employer's ability to increase workplace safety."

The revised rule includes a provision for recording needlestick and sharps injuries that is consistent with recently passed legislation requiring OSHA to revise its bloodborne pathogens standard to address such injuries. This provision is expected to result in a significant increase in recordable cases annually.

The record-keeping rule also conforms with OSHA's ergonomics standard published last November. It simplifies the manner in which employers' record musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs), replacing a cumbersome

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Scholarship & Benevolence Tournament, a bylaw change, & a new seating plan

Mark your calendars for our Scholarship & Benevolence Tournament, which will be on May 8.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Marlboro Country Club, with superintendent Ken Crimmings, will be our host. We will be sending out raffle tickets soon for everyone to sell. There will be some great prizes for the raffle. We are also looking for rounds of golf for a foursome at your course for the raffle, so please help us out here. Send your rounds of golf to our chairman, David Comee. We need every member to try to play in this event. This tournament is for *our families*. Our Scholarship & Benevolence fund should go over \$100,000 this year with everyone's support.

GCSANE will be looking for a bylaw change this year. The change will be made to reduce the amount of regular membership meetings per year. Right now we have 12 monthly meetings. The February meeting would probably be eliminated because of the conflict with the GCSAA National Convention and the closeness to the New England Regional Turf Conference.

Kevin Osgood in the chairman of the by-law committee and would welcome any questions on this change. The bylaw change will be voted on by our membership at a monthly meeting this year.

At our regular meetings the board of directors will each be sitting at a different table so we can reach out to our members better. There will be a "Seat Reserved" sign at each table. The reserved seat is needed because many times we come out of board meetings late and have nowhere to sit except up in the front. The board feels that by sitting with our membership it will give you and us an opportunity to strengthen our membership and camaraderie.

The MGA will be conducting fund raising in the near future to raise funds for the new building in Norton. The groundbreaking for this building will be this August. The MGA, along with the allied associations of which we are a part, would like to see this building finished by late 2002. We will be moving our headquarters to this new building following its completion.

Sincerely,
Bob Ruzala
President, GCSANE

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system in which MSDs were recorded using criteria different from those for other injuries or illnesses. The revised forms have a separate column for recording MSDs, which will improve the compilation of national data on these disorders.

One of the least understood concepts of record-keeping has been restricted work; the new rule clarifies the definition of restricted work or light duty and makes it easier to record those cases. Work-related injuries are also better defined to ensure the recording only of appropriate cases while excluding cases clearly unrelated to work.

The revised rule also promotes improved employee awareness and involvement in the record-keeping process, providing workers and their representatives access to the information on record-keeping forms and increasing awareness of potential hazards in the workplace. Privacy concerns of employees have also been addressed; the former rule had no privacy protections covering the log used to record work-related injuries and illnesses.

Written in plain language using a question and answer format, the regulation for the first time uses checklists and flowcharts to provide easier interpretations of record-keeping requirements. Finally, employers are given more flexibility in using computers

and telecommunications technology to meet their record-keeping requirements.

OSHA's record-keeping requirements provide the source data for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Occupational Injury and Illness Survey, the primary source of statistical information concerning workplace injuries and illnesses. BLS collects the data and publishes the statistics, while OSHA interprets and enforces the regulation.

The record-keeping rule was scheduled to appear in the January 19, 2001 Federal Register. A fact sheet providing highlights of the rules follows this release.

For detailed information on the final record-keeping rule, view OSHA's web site at: www.osha-slc.gov/recordkeeping/index.html.

DIVOT DRIFT...announcements...educational seminars...job opportunities ...tournament results...and miscellaneous items of interest to the membership.

MEMBERSHIP

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INFORMATION

Brian Cromack, formerly at Franklin C.C., is now superintendent at Quidnessett C.C. in North Kingston, R.I.

Thank you to David Stowe, Kevin Osgood, Buddy Alexander, and John Resnik for hosting the February meeting at Newton Commonwealth C.C.

Have you checked out the association's web page? Much of the information in Divot Drift gets there immediately. So, if you haven't seen it, go to www.gcsane.org.

A new four-ball team is needed to replace the Lenhart/Silva team. Due to injury, a new team needs to be added as a replacement. If you can field a team, please contact Bob Healey at (508) 653-0625 as soon as possible.

Congratulations to Paul Miller. He carded his first career hole-in-one while in Texas.

Michael Cassidy, formerly at Tedesco C.C., recently accepted the superintendent position at Ferncroft C.C.

Congratulations to Ed and Erin Gianni on the recent birth of a new girl, Lauren Elizabeth.

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Meet host superintendent Gary Luccini, Franklin Country Club

Host Superintendent for the March meeting of GCSANE is Gary Luccini of Franklin Country Club in Franklin, Mass.

Gary, more affectionately known as "The Bear", is a 30-year member of GCSANE. This will be his 32nd year as superintendent at Franklin. His only other head job was at Pine Oaks Golf Club in Easton, a course he built and spent five years at. Gary also worked as an assistant superintendent at both Dedham Country Club and Franklin Country Club.

From 1972-74, Gary constructed the 10-hole addition to Franklin C.C. In 1987 he was a turf consultant for Hale Irwin

Golf Services in the construction of New England Country Club. He also designed and constructed Pine Acres, an executive nine-hole course.

He is a graduate of Franklin High and University of Massachusetts. He is active in the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program and has completed or is working on the Environmental Planning, IPM, Water Enhancement, and Water Conservation programs. In addition, he is involved in GCSAA's Environmental Program, including Employee Safety & Right-to-Know, Storage, Disposal & Recycling, IPM, and UST's. He is also Rhode Island GCSA member.

A renowned Jets fan (we won't hold that against him), he also enjoys golf and auto racing. Gary lives in Franklin with his wife of 31 years, Kathy. They have four children, Mike, Brian, Cheryl, and Beth. Both sons are superintendents. Gary is especially proud that he has sent 11 assistants on to head jobs.

Stiles and Van Cleek designed Franklin Country Club. Phil Wogan was the architect on the aforementioned second nine holes. A bent/poa annua course, it measures 6,700 yards and has a slope of 134. It is a challenging course that has hosted many Massachusetts tournaments throughout the years.

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Naturally, Stachowicz is anxious to get the show on the road and feels extra charged because he's working a beat on

grounds where he once shot hoops with relatives and friends. "It's old home week for me every time I drive in here," he explained. "But I want to get going. You know, we're not going to rush our golfers when they play. That's something else,

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