TURF CLIPPINGS

THE 1966 Season:

Yes I am sure we will all remember these past season. It was a case of feast or famine. A hot dry summer and then a two week period of rain in the later part of September. Many of the boys are renovating and fixing up troubled areas from the past summer. Al Caravella's newly seeded fairways at Colonia seemed to be coming along with a nice catch of bent. Irrigation is going in full swing at Hollywood. Joe is going all automatic after trying three holes last year. Work schedules are a little late so we are all hoping for a nice Indian summer.

The NJGCSA Invitational Golf Tournament: Al Caravella did a wonderful job as chairman and host for the NJGCSA Invitational Golf Tournament. Even with occasional rain we had a wonderful turnout. Everybody enjoyed it from all reports. After taking a nice hot shower everyone went to the happy hour for cocktails which was follwed by dinner. Al was the M C for the evening. W had guests from the NJ Golf Association along with Vice Pres of the Managers Association. Everybody introduced their team . The evening was climaxed with the awarding of the team trophy to Ridgewood CC. I guess it was the Presidents year as Bob Kapherr along with Harry Dee, Pres. NJ PGA were on the winning team along with Dr. Bump. Greens Chairman and Bill White manager. Mr. James Smith a dear friend of the golf course superintendent had a few words along with a story to tell the group. The whole body payed tribute to Frank Svehla with a moments silence before dinner. He was a charter mamber not only of the Jersey association but also the National and was at Colonia for many years. Time marches on but all must remember that these men started our organization and have contributed a great deal. Lets hope we can put forth as much time and effort to further improve our association. As Ted Roberts said. He hoped that this golf inviational would be an annual event because so much can be gained by having the three executives together not only to play golf but discuss problems. I am sure next year will be even bigger and better after a great start. NJGCSA Golf Course Equipment & Supplies Field Day The NJGCSA had their annual Equipment Field Day at Green Brook CC on October 6th. Jim Mc Nally host and chairman did a wonderful job . Don Marshall , Red Williams, Charlie Mc Crea all pitched in to help along with Bill Monahan at the Mike. We had over 20 commercial houses represented at the show. The afternoon was set aside for demonstrations of all the various types of equipment. The nice portable TV door prize was won by Al Foster of Hackensack We had over 140 register for the show. The turnout of CC. Superintendents was just FAIR. We should support this event as it certainly is to our benefit to be able to see all the various equipment demonstrated all in one day and have our club representative there.

Next meeting is at Suburban Golf Club with host Jack Martin Lets have a good turnout.

Yours for better Turf

Garry Crothers, Charlie McCrea