



MGCSA MEETING NOTICE:

- Date: Thursday, June 20th
- Place: Emerson Country Club
- Golf: 11 AM on—
- Lunch: Available in grill room
- Cocktails: 6-7 PM
- Dinner: 7 PM
- Program: To Be Announced
- Host: Mike Dale

Directions: Take New York Thruway across Tappan Zee Bridge. Take Garden State Parkway Exit off Thruway near Spring Valley Exit. Go south on Garden State Parkway to 165 Oradell Exit, go east on Oradell Ave. 4 traffic lights then make a left at 4th traffic light (Kinderkermack Rd.) go approximately 1 mile when you cross RR tracks make a sharp right on to Palisades Ave. club is on right.

Note: Please return your post cards promptly.

COMING EVENTS:

- June 13-16 US Open Championship Winged Foot Golf Club
- June HVGCSA
- July 25 MGCSA meeting Mt Kisco
- August 23 MGCSA meeting Round Hill Supt. Championship
- August 21 Rhode Island University Field Day
- Sept. Whippoorwill Golf Club, Labriola Memorial Tournament
- Oct. 3 MGCSA Invitational, Brae Burn C.C.
- Nov. Annual meeting
- December 21 MGCSA Christmas Party Burning Tree Country Club

MGCSA NEWS:

Our May meeting at Innis Arden Golf Club turned out to be a warm summer day with Temperatures in the 80's. The Superintendents who played golf I am sure will listen to a complaining member when he refers to the fact that there is no water at a certain fountain. Here is where a sign on the first tee would help. Water fountains not in operation today due to repairs being done on the water lines. The course was in great shape. It certainly is a test of a Superintendents ability to grow grass in terrain and drainage conditions which aren't condusive to growing good turf. We enjoyed an excellent meal and then heard Mr. Joe Finger give an excellent talk on his

profession as a Golf Course Architect. Some of the problems clubs get into because they do not use a Golf Course Architect were mentioned along with the role the Superintendent should play during construction and planning of changes on old courses. The talk was followed by an excellent question answer session. Sorry about the Bruins. Bill Caputi put a little "Greens a Keep" bounce on number 18 to get close to the pin.

Ted Horton probably had a first in his short TV appearance on NBC news. It was a short presentation of the Grass is Greener showing Ted's men getting ready for the US Open along with Ted's comments on the traditional playing conditions expected at a US Open. The course is in great shape. All Ted is Praying for now is Good weather the week of the Open with no rain during the actual Tournament since they will be parking on the East Course. Sherwood well remembers what happened at the last Open at Winged Foot when the heavens opened up and there was that mad scramble. We should see greens as fast as Oakmont.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

We would like to congratulate Ralph Castelli on becoming a Class A member. The present membership status is as follows: 81 Class A members, 26 B members, 36 Class C members, a total of 9 delinquent accounts for all classifications.

Treasurers Report—

As of May 15, 1974	
Tee to Green expenses—	817.74
other printing	217.53
Tee to Green Income	1,591.00
Balance on hand May 15, 1974	
Benevolent Account	474.29
Research & Scholarship	2,415.98
Regular Savings	7,383.63
Regular Checking	382.53
total	10,656.43

Membership Life Insurance Policies: If any member has not received an application for life insurance or who has not returned his application you are probably not covered. If you are in doubt please contact Robert Alonzi and he can inform you if you are insured or not.



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What greater cause can we support than research and learning in golf course maintenance and management. For years the National Golf Fund has contributed generously to turfgrass research and scholarships through the GCSAA Research and Scholarship Fund and the U.S.G.A. Green Section Research and Education Fund, Inc. but the real benefactors are all clubs throughout the nation. We encourage you, therefore, to promote National Golf Day at your club—it's for you, your profession, for golf and your golf course. The National Golf Fund is derived from National Golf Day.

On National Golf Day professional golfers will set the target score on June 3rd. Jack Nicklaus, PGA Champion, and Johnny Miller, USGA Open Champion, will compete to set the target score for men, while Susie Berning, Women's Open Champion, and Mary Mills, Ladies' PGA Champion, will set the target score for the ladies. Amateur golfers will be allowed full handicaps and those whose net scores are lower than the target score will receive a memento. Golfers will compete from June 8th through June 16th.

Get together with your professional and urge him to promote National Golf Day at your club.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

We have reached the half way point in this Association Year, and I am unable to report fulfillment of some of our plans. Our "vital signs" remain healthy, thanks to the endeavors of some of our officers and committee chairmen. We hope to keep our Program, Golf and Communications activities moving with progress the remainder of the year. Many thanks are due to the individuals responsible in these areas.

To counteract the absence of progress in other areas, your Executive Committee is planning to propose steps towards

re-organizing and re-directing our efforts. Any actions taken will be announced shortly.

One of our problems this year was the inability to secure meeting places. Fortunately, our schedule is filled now until November. I must now ask that you as members think towards next year, and assist us in locations for 1975. Please speak to your club officials NOW, and help us prepare for the immediate future. If you can host a meeting in 1975, call me at 914-592-6608.

There is little question why we are not moving ahead . . . we are too busy, saddled with more personal and professional responsibilities, and allotted less funds to carry out the tasks we must accept. It is a tribute to the superintendent that we are able to preserve our stature under these forced conditions.

Let us pool our remaining talents wisely and at least continue to support our association during this uneasy period of transition. Let's give Mike Dale a good attendance at Emerson Country Club this month and make each remaining meeting and activity a successful one.

Roger Morhardt, our new Field Day Chairman is working diligently on this important event. If you can help his committee in any way, please do so.

Harry H. Nichol, President

MEMBER SURVEY DEADLINE - MAY 15

What is the average golf course superintendent's salary? How much money is budgeted to the golf course management areas of labor, fertilizer, pesticide, seed, etc? What types of irrigation systems are most widely being used on golf courses?

The answers to these and approximately 45 other important questions will be presented when the results of GCSAA's 1974 Membership Profile are tabulated.

May 15 is the deadline for returning the completed questionnaires, which were sent to all GCSAA Class AA, A and B Members on April 28 from the Association's Lawrence, Kansas headquarters office. If you did not receive a copy of this confidential survey, and are in one of these membership classes, contact the Association office immediately.

If you did receive a copy of the survey, complete it immediately and return it so that a highly accurate survey will result.

The questions are divided into personal, position, course and professional areas of golf course management. In addition to the questions asked in the 1971 GCSAA Salary Survey, new questions have been designed to receive greater detail of overall golf course operations, and to better determine how budgets are divided. There is also an area in which respondents may indicate what new programs they would like to see the Association offer.

WANTED:

Assistant Greenskeeper or knowledgeable person interested in being responsible for maintenance of a 9 hole, par 3 course. Seasonal, resident position, 40 hour week, to take full charge of the golf course. Salary commensurate with experience and open for discussion. If interested, please contact Mr. Bancroft at 341 Furnace Dock Road, Peekskill or by telephone at 914/737-1700.

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GCSAA CERTIFICATION:

Any National Member wishing to know more about GCSAA Certification or interested in taking the examination, Please contact Garry Crothers who is representing the GCSAA Certification Committee in this area.

The question is often raised—Will one treatment control weeds and algae all year? Usually aquatic weeds can be controlled with one application. It is sometimes necessary to spot treat a week or two later to take care of weeds which may have been missed by the initial application. For algae control it is usually necessary to treat more than once a season, followed by periodic spot treating when new growth appears. Algae are better controlled if the algicide is applied directly on the algae. If a pond has filamentous algae concentrated primarily near the shore or on the bottom in the shallow areas, use the recommended amount of algicide to treat the entire pond but apply it only where the algae are growing. Never add algicide to clear algae freewater. It probably will be wasted.

Finally, if the weed and algae growth are moderate to heavy, don't treat the entire body of water at one time. Treat half of it one week and half a week or ten days later. This will insure that the dead weeds and algae will not rapidly and completely deplete the dissolved oxygen. A great number of fish kills result not from any toxic property of the chemical used but from lack of oxygen caused by decaying dead algae and weeds.

Algae and aquatic weeds can usually be controlled satisfactorily in most bodies of water. To obtain satisfactory control, however, it is necessary to survey the body of water, to determine the kinds of weeds and algae present, the area, and the flow of water through the pond or lake. On the basis of this and other information a sound and successful recommendation for treatment of the body of water can be made.

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GOLF COURSE DESIGN

By Scott Benty
Winged Foot Golf Club

Golf Course Architecture was the topic of discussion at the May meeting of the M.G.C.S.A. Mr. Joe Finger, Golf Course Architect related several of his ideas and discoveries while in the business. A southern born gentlemen, Mr. Finger displayed all the poise and tact befitting his position. According to Mr. Finger southern superintendents are quite different from this metropolitan group. Mr. Finger credits the northern superintendents with more educational background, better dressed, and they enjoyed a greater financial security. I also feel this to be true of this area, as opposed to other parts of the country I have visited.

Working together is the most efficient plan for a successful completion of any job. Developing this further Mr. Finger recognizes the role of the superintendent in the initial stages of constructing the golf course. He feels the superintendents presence and ideas most helpful relating to green construction, drain and irrigation installation and correct mixtures of grass types. The architect is the creator of the plan, and after this plan takes shape his job is finished. The superintendent is now the innovator of the plan. It is his job to see that everything works correctly, grows and at the same time he must keep everyone satisfied. It only seems right that he should have a great deal to say in the planning stages.

From this working together there should develop a strong respect for each others abilities and position. The superintendent should speak up whenever he feels he has something to offer or even just to criticize the procedures. By not speaking out when he feels it just, an unconscious feeling of resentment becomes embedded in the superintendent's subconscious. It grows with each suppression and very quickly develops into hatred. Now nothing can be accomplished between the two and both will suffer in the end. However, I feel that the superintendent will suffer the most; he is the person who has to satisfy his members with their golf course. If it is built wrong from the start, how can he ever keep those members satisfied?



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Guest Speaker - Golf Course Architect, Joseph Finger

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