

# THE GREEN SHEET

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION

— Founded April 11, 1939

## HARRISBURG

Course:

**Carlisle Country Club**

Host:

**Greg Fantuzzi**

Date: **August 16, 1991**

Lunch: **After 10:00**

Off Menu

Cocktails: 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. — Coat & Tie

Dinner: **6:00 p.m.** — Sit Down

**COST: \$15.00**

Shower Facilities

Tee off Time: 9 - 11:30

Cost of Carts: \$9.50

Reservation and Cancellation Deadline:

Noon - Tuesday, August 13, 1991

Call (717) 243-7569

Please Note: This is a Friday Meeting

There will be a Board of Directors Meeting  
at 9:30 a.m.

"Our speaker will be

**MARK TICEHURSTE**

speaking on

Gypsy Moth Management"

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## SUPERINTENDENT SPOTLIGHT

Our initial article is on Charlie Crawford of Red Lion Country Club, who has been superintendent there since 1978. Charlie's 26 years in the golf course business started at Hanover Country Club, when he was 14 years old. He started working on the grounds crew sometime around the early 1940's until 1954 when he was laid off for the winter. He then started working in the Weaver & Hanover Wire Cloth Factory where he stayed for 13 years. In 1967 Bob Becher asked him to be golf course superintendent at Briarwood Country Club, where he stayed for 11 years. In 1978 he took over duties at Red Lion Country Club where he has been ever since. Charlie and his lovely wife Marie have three children, Randy 22, who is assistant superintendent at Hanover Country Club, Jody 28, and Linda 31. The Crawford's have two grandchildren. Mr. Crawford, by the way, if you don't already know, is an incredible golfer, having a legitimate USGA handicap of 3. His other claim to fame is his bowling prowess which carried him to a 10th place finish at States a few years ago. He has a \$65 average with 245 as his high game.

## TURF TIP OF THE MONTH

Still localized dry spots. Who would have thought two months ago when it was first mentioned about using the wetting agent hose applicator, that it would still be a part of our daily arsenal. A recent trip to the Washington, D.C. area golf courses showed the applicator is just as popular there, if not more so than the Central Pennsylvania area. As you all well know this is not a "cure all" and low and behold localized dry spots will return. So what we've found to be effective in controlling localized dry spots is to use the applicator every other day to those hot spots or indicator areas where you know your problems are. We've used the tablets on several occasions on consecutive days with no toxic effect but prefer to use it every other day to be on the safe side. Because of the popularity of the wetting agent tablets be sure you have a good supply, it's so easy to run out before you realize it.

## SUPERINTENDENT PROFILE

Greg is a 1975 graduate of Delaware Valley College of Science & Agriculture. Following graduation, he started working for an industrial landscaping company in eastern PA. He became the Assistant Superintendent at the Lehigh CC in Allentown, PA under Superintendent Marty Nadenichek in 1977. Then in 1980 he accepted the Superintendent position at the Carlisle CC, where Greg contends each year brings new challenges and "There is also the *Major Challenge* of maintaining a good job for what some consider as too many years in one place".

Greg is married to Tracy and they have an energetic 2½ year old son, Sean, who loves to run on daddy's "big green lawn".

## COURSE PROFILE

The Carlisle Country Club, designed by its founders, began in 1924 (9 holes) and then in the early 1930's became an 18 hole par 71 golf course. Many in house changes and improvements have been made over the years. None quite so drastic as this spring's small tornado. Ripping through three quarters of the golf course one night. The storm destroyed about 150 trees and damaged another 130, all in about 10 minutes. A hastened clean-up followed consisting of the crew, some members, volunteers and three professional tree crews. The results left large gaps in several key locations. Plans are underway to transplant and purchase replacement trees to be placed strategically throughout the course.

Don't forget our PSU vs. West Virginia Bus Trip on October 26, 1991. The cost will be \$45.00 per person which will include bus tickets, food, soda and beer. Please reserve your tickets with Patti (number on back). There are only 40 tickets available so sign up early!

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Bill 1530:

This is a water act aimed principally at the mining industry. This bill does not apply to the golf turf industry.

Act 1140:

This act concerns hauling hazardous waste and does not apply to the golf turf industry.

Senate Bill 1072:

This is a sustainable ag bill. It is aimed at reduction or elimination for the need of all artificial fertilizer and pesticides. Wording of this bill is not acceptable to the Allied and similar industries.

Senate Bill 1071:

This is a non-source pollution abatement act. The bill makes farmers eligible for certain funding and is no problem for Allied.

Senate Bill 1070:

This bill concerns the regulation of wells, pumps and ground water. We need to talk to the legislators on this one. Perhaps we should talk to Representative Punt.

Senate Bill 1069:

This bill concerns organic food products standards and does not apply to Allied.

Senate Bill 1068:

This is the so-called methane digestion act and does not apply to Allied.

Senate Bill 1067:

This is an ag security act and does not apply to the Allied.

Senate Bill 1066:

This bill concerns crop insurance rebates and does not apply to Allied.

Senate Bill 1065:

This bill is related to lending for best ag management practices. It does not apply to Allied.

In other comments, Mr. Brubaker stated that there are two major pesticide bills in committee: the Fox Bill and the Brightbill Bill. Letters of opposition have been written on both of these bills. Currently, the Committees do not plan to move these bills, according to Mr. Brubaker.

Bill 496 (the Coy Bill):k

This bill has been voted out of Committee with two additional amendments: the "omnibus" amendment concerning nutrient management plans, and one other amendment. Nutrient management plans have been defined (who, what, etc) but it does not appear to Mr. Brubaker that golf courses would have to prepare these plans. In fact, a Nutrient Management Board (to be created under the Bill) would determine if these plans do apply to golf courses). Perhaps we should contact Rep. Coy to determine his "legislative intent" concerning golf courses.

Mr. Snyder read a draft letter which he is preparing. This will be sent to selected legislators and outline golf turf practices and the results of certain scientific studies.

President Rafferty stated that he will contact Rep. Coy concerning his "legislative intent". If Allied is unhappy with the findings of this inquiry, Rafferty will contact Mr. Brubaker to pursue the matter further. For the moment, Brubaker will take no action on the matter.

Bill 1530:

This Bill authorizes an eleven person Board as an advisory council: i.e., a Farm Panel to DER. Mr. Brubaker recommends that Allied favor this bill.

Bill 1003:

This bill concerns residential pesticide applications and, probably, will not affect golf courses. Mr. Brubaker will get additional information (from "Steve") on this one.

Bill 694:

This bill concerns roadside spraying of pesticides and nutrients and is not applicable to golf courses. This is the so-called Penn DOT bill.

Bill 579:

This bill will establish a system whereby people with private waterwells can be reimbursed by the state if the well becomes contaminated. Claimants must cooperate with the state in preferring charges against an alleged contaminator. Mr. Brubaker recommends that the Allied oppose this bill. Brubaker will talk with Representative Sheets of the Conservation Committee and inform Sheets that Allied is opposed.

# 1991 Central Pennsylvania Golf Course Superintendent Annual Survey

Average Age	37½ years
Years at Present Position	7.8 years
Total Years Superintendent	12.8 years
Years Education	14 years
Base Salary	\$45,000
Benefits:	% of Supt. Rec.
Housing	23%
Meals	52%
Vehicle	85%
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	100%
Major Medical	100%
Sick Leave	95%
Life Insurance	57%
Pension/TRA	33%
Commissions	9%
(Green fees or carts)	
Vacation	2.7 weeks
Uniforms	23%
Dental/Prescription/Eye Care	28%
Continuing Education Reimbursement	71%
CGSAA Dues	95%
PAGCSA	100%
PAGCSAA Meeting Exp.	95%
PTC Membership	80%
Bonus	47%
Profit Sharing	0%
Contracts	14%
Average	2 years
Average Acres Maintenance	159.7A
Operating Budget	\$329,000
(Capital Expense)	
Responsibilities	
Cart Maintenance	38%
Tennis	9%
Swimming	14%
Clubhouse Grounds	66%
Clubhouse Maintenance	23%
Platform Tennis	4%
Driving Range	61%
Sub-Contracts	
Tree work	52%
Cart Paths	52%
Irrigation	9%
Aerification	33%
Construction	23%
Assistant Superintendent	\$22,500
Mechanic	\$20,500
Full Time Workers	average 5
Wages	\$7.70/hour
Average Overtime	5 hours/week
Seasonal Workers	6.5
Average Overtime	5 hours/week
Average Payroll Expenses	\$153,800

## % Courses Surveyed

<u>Public</u>	<u>Private</u>	<u>Semi-Private</u>	<u>Municipal</u>	<u>Report</u>
15 %	58 %	11 %	11 %	5 %

Average Number Holes      94% - 18 holes  
    6% - 27 holes

Average Annual Budget for Capital Improvements \$43,000

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## JANUARY 7-10, 1992

Eastern PA Turf Conference & Trade Show, Valley Forge Convention Center, King of Prussia, PA. CONTACT: Edward Roynan, Limekiln Golf Club, 1176 Limekiln Pike, Ambler, PA 19002. Phone (215) 643-0643 OR PA Turfgrass Council, P.O. Box 1078, Lemont, PA 16851-1078. Phone (814) 863-3475.

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