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May Meeting

Fairview Golf Course

Tuesday, May 16, 1995

11:00 AM - 1:30 PM Golf

5:30 - 6:30 PM Cocktails

6:30 PM Dinner

**There will be a CPGCSA
Board Meeting at 9:15 AM**

Superintendent Profile

James W. Jones, CGCS has been at Fairview Golf Course since graduating from Penn State University in 1980. He became certified in 1985. Jim has worked as both Superintendent and General Manager at Fairview for the past 2 years. Jim is a CPGCSA Past President and currently serving on the board as Education Chairman. His hobbies include playing golf, traveling and music.

Course Profile

Fairview Golf Course, formerly "Fairview Farms, was opened in the late 1950's by a group of area business men. It was originally a local dairy and orchard in the Lebanon Valley. The course was purchased by the Jones family in 1966 as the third of 5 public facilities. The Greens are Poa/Bent and Fairways and Tees are rye. The course is open year round with tee to green cart paths. The Assistant Superintendent is Dave Krick and the Golf Pro is John Zesinger.

The Generosity of Grass

Credit: Northern Ohio Turf

Life is full of so many wonderful things we all tend to take for granted. Occasionally, we stop to appreciate the warming sun, the cool rains, the laughter of a child, the songs of birds, etc. Does anyone stop to appreciate grass? It seems America is obsessed with the keeping of grass as a perfect lawn, but few seem to appreciate grass for what it is.

Man has long regarded the value of grass. To quote from the first Epistle of Peter "All flesh is as grass,...and all the glory like the flower of grass." Our physical being relies heavily on grass. Most animals, including man, depend on grass as a food source. Wheat, the single most important food crop in the world, is a grass. Rye, oats, rice, sugar cane, corn, bamboo and barley are also grasses. In fact, the grass family is one of nature's largest plant families comprised of over 4,500 species.

Life is abundant in a turf stand. A grazing deer or rabbit may be seen on occasion, feeding on the lushness of grass. However, a more intense ecosystem occurs within a turf stand that few ever see. Diverse insect communities, from grasshoppers, to beetles, to flies make their homes in turf. Amongst the insects lives the fungi, bacteria, and other micro organisms. The dense mat of grass combined with the life around it offers nature's best bio-filter. Even some of the harshest chemicals are tied up and altered within the grass's canopy, resulting in cleaner water passing through.

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President's Message

by Samuel R. Snyder, CGCS

Greetings! As this note is written we are experiencing an unusually dry period for early spring. I can not help but to reflect back on the Spring of 1994. I personally faced over 30 acres of dead turf due to ice damage. Many of our members didn't have the ice problems but certainly spent alot of time shoveling snow. This winter was nearly the reverse. Very little snow, no ice and lots of "winter" golf. Here's to a mild spring and summer with no adverse conditions, ha ha.

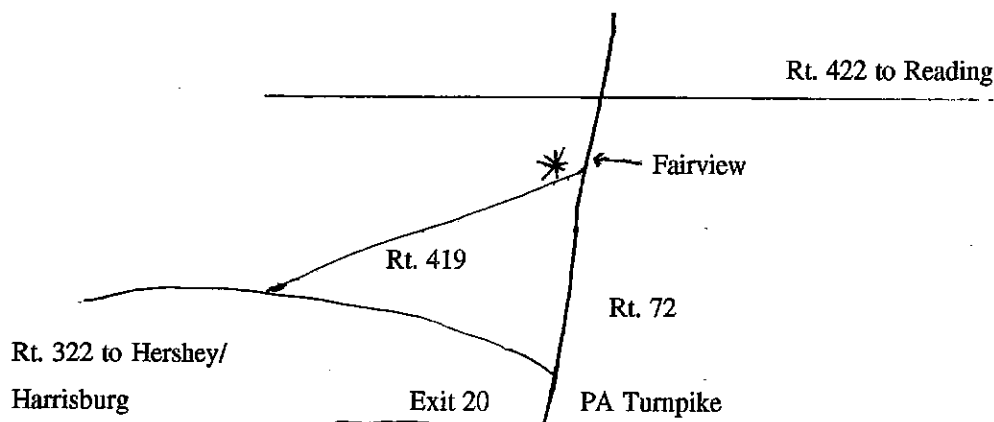
Speaking of winter, the annual winter meeting held at West Shore Country Club was again a success. John Dougherty convinced a slate of interesting and informative speakers to present their success and/or learning experiences with the association. Although the weather was threatening, nearly 50 people attended. Congratulations to John for a great job and thank you to each speaker. The first speaker on the agenda, John Chassard, had just returned from a visit to Russia. John expressed his appreciation for living in such a blessed land as the good old USA.

Our first newsletter has arrived and our new editor, with tremendous help from Wanda Fry, has taken a full column to wax eloquent on the subject of the GCSAA conference and show. My wife asked if we accepted letters to the editor. I told her we didn't in the past but with John's forthright style we may in the future. After all, what good is an editorial is it doesn't make you think.

Our recent joint meeting with the Keystone GCSA at Susquehanna Valley Country Club was a day of friendship and fun. Greg Bingeman did his usual great job entertaining both associations with his beautifully maintained course. I understand that a number of golfers managed to make #3 a true "road hole". I believe it takes much more talent to hit a two lane highway than a green.

Our May meeting at Fairview Golf Course should be interesting with a speaker from Accu Weather. I'm sure many turf managers would like to ask how meteorologists claim a 90% accuracy of forecast while managing to apparently miss 110% of the time. I guess that is enough of my soap box for this month. Hope to see each of you at Fairview.

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Membership News

The following individuals have applied for membership into our association. If there are no written objections within the next seven days, they will be accepted into our association at the next meeting.

Nathaniel Binns, Superintendent

Schuylkill Country ClubClass A

Alan Jones, Superintendent

Penn National Golf CourseClass A

Thomas Shonk, Superintendent

Tanglewood Manor Golf Course.....Class A

Robert E. Wert, Superintendent

Harrisburg North Golf Course.....Class A

Jason Barndt, Assistant Superintendent

Brookside Country Club.....Class B

Lee Kozsey, Field Sales Supervisor

ISK - Biosciences Corp.....Class G

We want to welcome the following individuals into the association.

Mark D. Fuller, Superintendent

Green Pond Country Club.....Class A

Janet Schulte, Sales Manager

J. E. Baker CompanyClass G

If you know of anyone who is interested in membership into the organization or has questions on the status of their applications, please have them contact Corky Knoll at (610) 944-7616.

1995 CPGCSA MEETING SCHEDULE

June 20	Moselem Springs Golf Club
July 10	Commonwealth National Country Club (Joint Meeting with Philadelphia)
August 17	Hanover Country Club
September 14	Lebanon Country Club
October 17	Foxchase Golf Course



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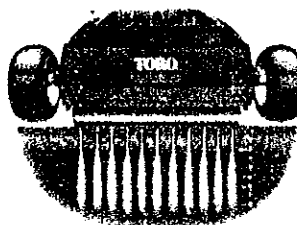
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From the Editor..... John Gehman

Well let's see. The snow is all melted. The forsythia are budding. The hyacinths and daffodils are ready to bloom. The Penncross seed I put down in January is coming up nicely under the covers. Aerating is done, and spraying is good for another 28 days. The ground is starting to dry out so I should get the irrigation system up and running, but there's no time for that. I've got to watch the NCAA Tournament, it's still March.

I thought someone had to be playing a joke on me when I found myself running the sprinklers on April 1st. I held off that long only as a matter of principal. Plus I feared the diesel engine powering my pump would rebel at being brought out of hibernation so early, and cause me to have a very bad day. A couple phone calls to procrastinating suppliers and some more seasonable temperatures gave me a chance to regroup and await the second coming of spring!

It's kind of interesting, and of course challenging, to see what Mother Nature has up her sleeve for us each season. Just once I'd like to try consistent and predictable rather than interesting and challenging...just once. Last year it was snow and ice, with everything from bulldozers to aerators employed to remove it. This year, it is 60 degree plus soil temperatures appearing in early March. None of my seminars covered that one either. But I do know one thing for sure. This season's weather will be hot and cold, wet and dry, and have an adverse effect on turf quality. Nevertheless, the mowers are sharp, the chemical room is stocked and the crew is rested; so let's go.

Where are the product reviews? Hasn't anyone bought a piece of equipment that you really like. Your review doesn't have to be long or even that informative. Just give us a hint that there is something out there that we might want to look into, or be skeptical of. Here, I'll even do the first one.

We bought a Hustler, out front rotary, quite a few years ago. My dad and I agreed it was one of the most efficient equipment investments we ever made. After we had nearly worn it out, we naturally replaced it with a new one.....I wanted my old one back! The saying, "they sure don't make 'em like they used to" is true. However, after a letter to the company prompting action from the dealer, I can honestly say that this machine substantially out performs our original one, and with very little down time for repairs.

Next month maybe I'll address my experience with Kawasaki powered equipment or maybe my own assessment of the colors Red, Green, and Orange. Wanda -- leave lots of room.

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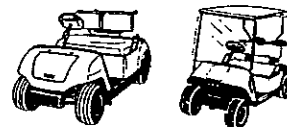
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I'm in the process of organizing two social events for the 1995. First is a white water rafting trip down the Lehigh River. I did this with a group about 4 years ago and had a lot of fun. It's not real dangerous but it's fun for almost the entire family. The other is a day trip in late fall to NYC to see the sights and take in a Broadway Play. No plans have been formalized for either event. I would like to have some feedback as to whether or not either of these events appeals to you.

Golf Results

The following are the winners from the Joint Meeting with Keystone Association Golf Tournament at Susquehanna Valley Country Club.

<u>Individual Gross</u>		<u>Calloway</u>	
1. J. Loke	79	1. L. Eby	71
2. M. Benedict	79	2. J. Hanna	71
3. T. Troutman	80	3. D. Dewitt	72
4. J. Bierly	81	4. J. Newcomb	72
5. R. Brandel	82	5. B. Ehrhart	72
6. R. Krick	83		

The Golf Tournament at Fairview Golf Course will be a 2 Ball Scramble.

- λ Each player tees off, the best drive is selected. Both players hit from the drive selected. Play continues in this manner until the hole is completed.
- λ No handicap shall be used.
- λ Each group shall split drives used equally - 9 & 9.
- λ Prizes - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Closet to Pin, Longest Drive

Equipment For Sale

For information or inspection of the following pieces of equipment, please contact Bob Beyer, CGCS at Outdoor Country Club (717) 767-1025.

- λ Toro 7 gang center adjustment mower
- λ (2) Toro Pro 70 Triplex Mowers
- λ Worthington Tractor
- λ Miscellaneous smaller pieces

We will continue to advertise used equipment each newsletter. If you have anything that may be of interest to anyone else, please contact Wanda to place your ad, FREE. Remember, one person's junk is another person's treasure.

Correction

In last month's newsletter the following was selectively omitted from the "Hints on Greenkeeping" article by the new computer. We apologize for the error. It should have read:

Most courses have too many bunkers. They should be constructed from a strategical and not from a penal point of view.

Fiercely criticized holes often improve the standard of play and ultimately become the most popular.

Speaker Profile

The speaker for the May meeting will be Sharon Meyer from Accu Weather, Inc. Accu Weather is based in State College, PA and forecasts weather data for industry, government and the media throughout the world.

Her talk will relate to daily forecasting to the golf industry via the Accu Fax and Accu Link systems.

Just a Reminder - -

Should you need to fax information to Wanda, the number is the same as her home telephone number (717) 274-6004. If the answering machine picks up, be sure to let it run through the recorded message, then the fax will automatically turn on.

If you have any accomplishments or things you have done that could benefit other members, please be sure to get the information to Wanda or John Gehman. John's fax number is (610) 845-3001.

Scholarship and Research

On behalf of the following individuals, we have received a check in the amount of \$625.00 from Ciba to be used for scholarship and research in the turfgrass industry.

Jeffrey L. Fry, CGCS	Lebanon Country Club
Byron F. Knoll	Moselem Springs Golf Club
H. Jim Loke, CGCS	Bent Creek Country Club

Thanks to Ciba for the contribution and to these individuals for naming CPGCSA as benefactor.

Don't forget to renew your 1995 CPGCSA membership. The final deadline for renewal is May 15, 1995. Please send your dues by this date so that we can continue to send you our association mailings.

GCSAA News

From Newsline, 1421 Research Park Drive, Lawrence, KS
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PGA, USGA Offer Complimentary Admission

The PGA of America is inviting all GCSAA members to attend the 1995 PGA Championship and PGA Senior's Championship free of charge.

The 77th PGA Championship will be played August 10-13 at the Riviera Country Club, Pacific Palisades, California. To take advantage of complimentary admission for yourself and your spouse, simply present your current gold or green GCSAA membership card.

Complimentary admission to all 1995 USGA championship events will be extended to GCSAA members carrying current gold membership cards.

Due to a lack of clubhouse space at Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, the USGA will issue GCSAA gold card members "grounds-only" badges for the 1995 U.S. Open. For all other USGA events, "grounds and clubhouse" badges will be available.

GCSAA gold cardholders should present their membership cards at Will Call each day for a daily ticket for USGA events. Spouses accompanied by card-carrying members will be granted the same admission privileges.

The 1995 U.S. Open is scheduled June 15-18 at Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, Southampton, NY. The Senior Open will be played June 26-July 2 at Congressional Country Club, Bethesda, MD, and the Women's Open will be July 13-16, The Broadmoor, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Future Conference Sites

1996	Orlando, Florida	Feb. 5-12
1997	Las Vegas, Nevada	Feb. 6-13
1998	Anaheim, California	Feb. 2-9
1999	Orlando, Florida	Feb. 8-15
2000	New Orleans, Louisiana	Feb. 14-21
2001	San Diego, California	Feb. 12-19
2002	Orlando, Florida	Feb. 4-12

"Sniglets

Credit: Northern Ohio Turf

It is hard to believe but there are probably a few people out there who still do not know what sniglets are. A "sniglet" is a word that should be in the dictionary but is not. A trait I inherited from my mother is a love for words to the point that I am more than willing to make up my own to fit the situation. Some of my favorite sniglets for golf courses are as follows:

- λ Funkers - funky bunkers that show up on the golf course within a month of the new green chairman taking office.
- λ Fumps - funky humps that are left when funkers are filled by these subsequent green committee chairman.
- λ Oughtabees - tiny little tees or misplaced trees that appear on the golf course after someone rode by the area and commented "there oughta be a tee there".
- λ Law of hydromagnetism - Having worked on many a sprinkler one of my favorite sniglets is the Law of Hydromagnetism. This is a little known law of nature that states that the sprinkler closet to the control box will always be pointed directly at you (since the last bum that ran the control turned the head off just prior to getting wet).
- λ USGAA - an acronym for the rapidly growing organization - United States Golfers Against Aerifying.
- λ Poanasaurus - Small herbivorous dinosaur that consumed mass quantities of Poa annua on a daily basis (now extinct).
- λ Procrastonomics - the economic discipline that dictates that if you postpone equipment purchases long enough you will no longer need the equipment.



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1995 CPGCSA Budget

1995 Expenses

Allied Suite.....	\$500.00
Association Wages.....	\$3,600.00
Board Meeting Expenses.....	\$500.00
GCSAA Regional Seminars.....	0.00
Equipment Repair and Maintenance.....	\$400.00
Flowers.....	\$125.00
Speaker Meals.....	\$100.00
Miscellaneous.....	\$400.00
No Show.....	\$100.00
Postage.....	\$2,450.00
President Plaque.....	\$75.00
Printing.....	\$2,500.00
PTC Contribution.....	\$1,200.00
Roster Book.....	\$500.00
Social.....	0.00
Speaker Honorarium.....	\$500.00
Trophies.....	\$150.00
Telephone.....	\$500.00
Treasurer Expenses.....	\$200.00
Supplies.....	\$250.00
Total.....	\$14,050.00

1995 Income

Beginning Balance.....	\$2,083.99
Newsletter Advertising.....	\$1,600.00
Allied.....	0.00
Membership Dues.....	\$10,000.00
Trophies/Association Championship	0.00
Initiation Fees.....	0.00
Interest.....	\$150.00
Miscellaneous.....	\$100.00
No Show.....	0.00
Job Notices	\$200.00
Scholarship & Research.....	\$500.00
GCSAA Regional Seminars.....	\$500.00
Social Events	0.00
Field Day.....	0.00
Totals.....	\$15,133.99

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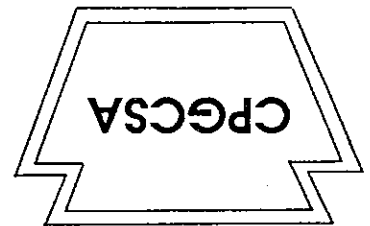
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