

## June Meeting

### Waynesboro Country Club

**June 12, 2006**

**11:00 AM - Speaker**

**12:00 PM - Lunch**

**1:00 PM - Shotgun**

**There will be a CPGCSA Board of Directors Meeting at 9:00 AM.**

## Superintendent Profile

Faron Stoops is entering his 5th year as Superintendent of the Waynesboro Country Club. He is a 1988 graduate of the Penn State Winter Short Course. Faron has also been Superintendent at Mountainview Golf Course and Chambersburg Country Club. Faron is currently serving as CPGCSA president and has been a member since 1990. He is married to Elizabeth and has 3 children: Jason, Connor and Jordon. Faron hopes to retire soon.

## Golf Course Profile

The Waynesboro Country Club was formed in 1928 as a non-profit club serving Waynesboro and the immediate areas. The club began as a nine-hole facility that utilized the original farmhouse on the property as the clubhouse. In a 1970 expansion, the golf course was altered to accommodate 18 holes as well as a swimming pool was constructed for the club's membership. To meet the needs of the ever-expanding membership, two tennis courts were added to the facility in 1976.

The 1990's saw several major improvement and expansion projects completed. The single lane bridge that served as the club's only entrance was replaced with a beautiful two-lane bridge that blends well with the East Antietam Creek that flows through the property. The farmhouse that was built in the 1800's and served as the clubhouse, was torn down and replaced with a modern facility that houses our lounge, fine dining facility, locker rooms and club offices. A fully automated double row irrigation system was the major improvement to occur during the 1990's.

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## Mid-Atlantic USGA Update

### High Anxiety: Labor Shortages Make it Difficult to Meet Course Conditioning Demands

By Keith Happ, Senior Agronomist  
May 17, 2006

You have heard it before, "You can't control the weather!" Well, as of the writing of this update, the Mid-Atlantic Region is receiving some much needed precipitation. The only question is, "Do we need seven straight days of rain?"

The State of Pennsylvania remains in a drought watch. This watch may be lifted if the most recent rain is sufficient to replenish ground water supplies. We will continue to monitor this situation. With that said, now is the time to get your house in order. Take the time to comply with all state mandated documentation for past water use. Complete all paper work, submit it to the proper agency, and also request confirmation of receipt with notification of compliance. Doing so will minimize many problems later in the year. We do not know what Mother Nature will bring this summer, but it is always a good idea to be prepared.

One common theme expressed during Turf Advisory Visits this spring has been labor, or should I say the lack there of! It has been difficult for many operations to recruit sufficient labor to complete the tasks necessary to meet course conditioning demands. There have been difficulties with the H2B program and college age workers are just now becoming available. High school age workers won't be available for full time summer employment until early June.

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## President's Message

Another month and another meeting have passed. And I might say, another great time. Although the turnout was less than desired, Bob Wert hosted a great event.

There was however a problem with the day...golf took an hour longer than it should have...and it is Bob Wert's fault. He should have had more rangers, or should I say game wardens on the golf course!

Now here's the story. We were playing along all fine and well and we kept hearing these turkeys talking back and forth to each other. Now we are out in the country, so it didn't seem too odd. But we get to the 12<sup>th</sup> tee, and the entire Central Penn group is waiting on the tee to play! As we pull up, we notice that a group is down at the green, well 2 of the 4 are. Over at the woods is Rich Gdovin squatting up against a tree. Now we all know when nature calls, uh-hmmm...enough said. But there's Tony Goodley up in that same tree; in full camo, including face paint; holding a sand wedge, cocked and ready to throw!! What in the world is going on here!! Nobody seems to know! From the other side of the tree a big gobbler pops out. Tony lets the sand wedge fly, just like a boomerang and the rest is history...his first turkey harvest! Now that's how I saw it, but it's my lie and I'll tell it how I want!

Seriously, Tony had a great day. Not only did Rich call in a gobbler, which is a highly skilled thing to do, for him to harvest, but he also won closest to the pin!!! Congrats to both of them!!!

We are only a strong Association with the support and attendance of you the members. Please take time out from your busy schedules and attend a meeting, or two or three. It is truly a great time and its value is so much more than the money spent for the day. Have a great month and see all of you at my place in June!

Faron Stoops

## CPGCSA Hunting Meetings???



Tony Goodley and Rich Gdovin

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## Membership News

There were no new membership applications for review this month.

We would like to welcome the following individual into our association.

Jeffrey Borger..... Class H  
Penn State University

If you know of anyone who is interested in membership into the association, please have them contact Terry Bennett, 717-770-4725 or Matt Strader at 717-352-7360.

## What Makes A Dad

God took the strength of a mountain,  
The majesty of a tree,  
The warmth of a summer sun,  
The calm of a quiet sea,  
The generous soul of nature,  
The comforting arm of night,  
The wisdom of the ages,  
The power of the eagle's flight,  
The joy of a morning in spring,  
The faith of a mustard seed,  
The patience of eternity,  
The depth of a family need,  
Then God combined these qualities,  
When there was nothing more to add,  
He knew His masterpiece was complete,  
And so, He called it ... Dad

Author is unknown

*Happy Father's Day*

## DEP Updates

Here is the website to monitor for the latest drought information from the DEP.

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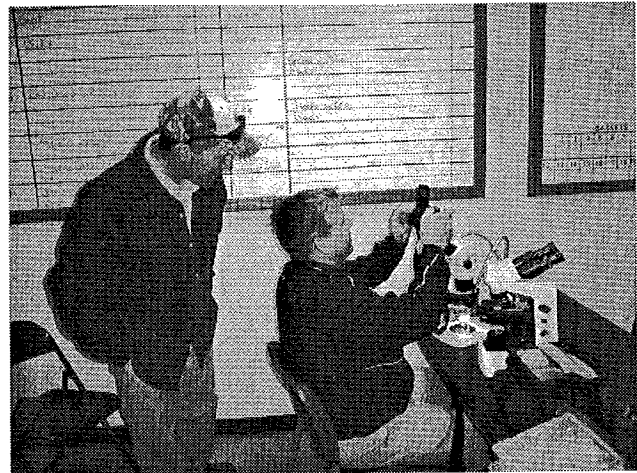
When labor shortages exist, priorities must be set and the focus is often shifted to conditioning center lines of play. The peripheral areas of the property receive attention as time and resources allow. Spring can be hectic particularly when the grass is growing aggressively. Throw in the need to hand water specific areas of the course and you have a recipe for high anxiety. The point is it is unrealistic to expect that mid-season conditions will be achieved from tree line to tree line in April and early May. As labor resources become available, course grooming efforts and detail items can be tended. It will all come together and we move into the season.

*As always, if the Mid-Atlantic Region agronomists can be of assistance, contact Stan Zontek ([szontek@usga.org](mailto:szontek@usga.org)) or Darin Bevard ([dbevard@usga.org](mailto:dbevard@usga.org)) at 610/558-9066 or Keith Happ ([kahpp@usga.org](mailto:kahpp@usga.org)) at 412-341-5922*

## Yellow Tuft Disease Visits Central Pennsylvania

In May 2006, a few bright yellow clusters of perennial ryegrass were observed on an approach area at Lebanon Country Club. The wet soil conditions, overcast weather, and multi-tillered appearance provided evidence of yellow tuft. This disease is also called the "downey mildew" disease of turfgrass. The most commonly observed symptoms are dense clusters of excessively tillered and chlorotic (~yellowed) shoots with shortened roots. These symptoms can occur in spots or coalesce into small patches. This disease is caused by the fungus *Sclerophthora macrospora*, which is considered an obligate parasite (~organism that grows in association with the host plant). The disease is common during wet, overcast periods, and in low-lying, heavily watered areas with poor drainage since this fungus depends on free-standing water to transport infectious spores. To control or minimize the occurrence of yellow tuft, encourage or promote proper drainage and remove excess water such as dew from the turf surface. Subdue MAXX (ai = mefenoxam) can be effective when applied preventively, however, fungicides typically provide little or no curative control.

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Jeff Gregos (right) taking digital photos of yellow tuft symptoms on perennial ryegrass with superintendent Dan Brickley (left) looking on. For more information on diagnosing turf diseases, contact Jeff Gregos at [gecturf.com](http://gecturf.com) or 412-716-8026.



Multi-tillered and chlorotic symptoms commonly observed with turf affected by yellow tuft.

## Golf Results

The results from the Blind draw during the May meeting at Harrisburg North were:

### 1st place low Gross

Faron Stoops  
Jeff Borger  
Mark DelSantro  
Paul Wickey

### 1st Place low Net

Dan Brickley  
Rich Gdovin  
Ryan Freed  
Pete Ramsey

Closest to the pin on #12  
Tony Goodley

Longest drive on #6  
Jed Vail



Mark DelSantro, Jeff Borger, Paul Wickey, Faron Stoops

## Heather and Gorse

By Mark DelSantro

Welcome to summer! I spent this past week in southern Delaware and Maryland cruising around visiting some of my new peeps. It was amazing to watch the beach bunch crowd build as I went through the week leading up to Memorial Day Weekend. By Friday, based on the traffic flow at my Wawa where I got my morning java each day at about the same time, the traffic flow steadily increased through the week from tolerable on Tuesday to damn near ridiculous. On Thursday eve the locals actually have a party celebrating the end of their freedoms for the next three months. Needless to say, I'm glad I got out of dodge and headed north against the bumper to bumper traffic on Friday afternoon as the serious migration hit full speed.

My last morning in Bethany, I walked out of the house to a solid 73° F and some serious humidity. It was shortly thereafter that the phone calls started rolling in regarding Dollar Spot outbreaks. I've always found the behavior of modern day grass farmers to be funny. I know I was real funny when I was doing it! The tendency is to be so focused on the here and now that many seem to forget the past. It was only a few years ago that we went through a two year period of seemingly uncontrollable Dollar Spot... nearly every major field research trial quickly switched from focusing on Anthracnose to focusing on Sclerotinia. Amazed I am that so many seem to quickly forget those days and those early season inoculum knock down applications. I hope the weather cooperates for those who got surprised and allows you to get everything under control. At least one thing appears to be for sure... based on the weather forecasts through the next week, it seems summer is here.

Shifting gears... Let me tell you, this parenting thing is tough! In my spare time I've been helping coach my son's baseball team. This is a rookie league team made up of predominantly six, seven, and eight year olds. In general, the mantra of the league is that winning isn't important... In essence, do your best and have fun.

Conceptually, given the age, I don't have a major problem with this... My issue is more long term... The question is at what point in time do you let your children know how life really works? For instance, the other evening Zach and I were watching the end of the Phillies game... The tying run was in scoring position with just one out in the ninth. I made reference to the fact that one of the next two hitters had to come through with a hit or else the Phillies would lose another game. His rebuttal was, "But Daddy, as long as they do their best, then that's all that matters."

In an effort to never miss an opportunity to teach him a new, potentially life long lesson, I told him that this was true in his Rookie league, but not necessarily true in life. He was astonished to hear another one of the basic heather and gorse facts of life... The better you are at whatever it is you attempt to be, the more your potential reward! Thus, in life, in sports, and in business, if you desire to reach the top, winning is everything!

Since having this conversation with him, I've found myself thinking about other ways I could have sugar coated this lesson, but I just could not come up with one that wasn't brutal. The brutal reality is that our society, not only worships, but substantially rewards the champions of our world. It is the very nature of our society that drives us to seek success at all cost! And yet, in this world of steroid use and financial fraud, we are so critical of those who, in the public eyes, cheat to achieve their success. Maybe what I'm trying to say is that it is possible that the only thing that separates the likes of the Enron accountants and Barry Bonds from others in their own league is that they're the ones that got caught!

The world in which we live and our society feeds on success, which in turn, propagates, as well as encourages, us to do almost whatever it takes to win... In essence, it encourages us to push the limits of the rules... but there is a fine line drawn between cheating and pushing the limits of the law. Pushing the rules to the limit in the middle of a competition is considered aggressively smart. How many of you have played in golf tournaments where pick, clean and place rules were in place? Did you play the ball down just because you're politically against touching the ball while it's in play, or did you take full advantage of the rules of the game to maximize your chances of winning? The head coach of my high school varsity basketball team used to teach us a number of techniques that allowed us to covertly better compete. Essentially he showed us how to do little things that the officials would rarely see and call as fouls, but would allow us to better defend our opponents. Additionally, has there ever been an NFL offensive play where an official couldn't technically call a holding penalty? The team that doesn't push the limits of the law tends to fail. The point is that it seems we live in this "no blood, no foul" world, when in actuality, just because there is no blood, doesn't mean there actually is no foul. I simply find it all somewhat hypocritical.

Performance and/or results in life are what keeps us all employed. If I don't hit my sales goals one year, I lose... If I don't hit my sales goals for several years, I get fired! Assuming Barry Bonds used steroids and HGH, (which were legal at the time he took them) to maximize his potential performance, does anyone really fault him? And why is Barry Bonds getting any more criticism than Mark MacGuire? Is it a racial thing? Is it a denial thing? Is it because Mark MacGuire cried like a little baby in front of the US Senate when confronted with the accusation?

Why is there a double standard? Does anyone think that Babe Ruth or any other pro player wouldn't have taken advantage of the benefit of performance enhancing drugs if they were legal and available? And, quite frankly, how do we know they didn't to a certain degree?

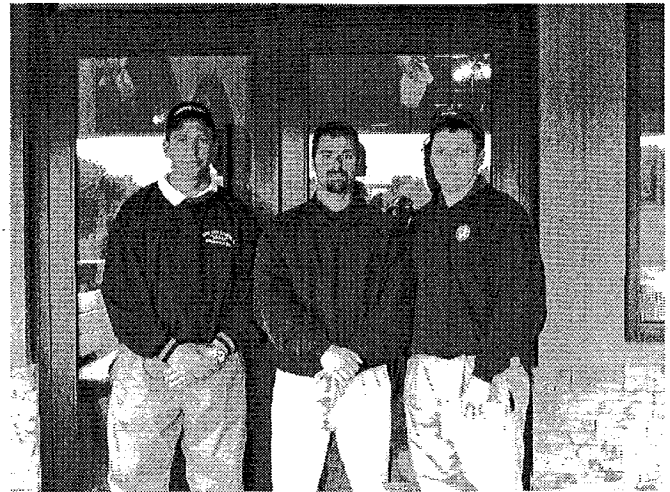
And yet another one of life's great hypocrisies is what we tell our children. All parents have gone through at least one experience like this... Think of something you did as a young adult that as a role model to your children you regret... Could be  
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## Heather and Gorse....cont'd from page 5

smoking marijuana, underage drinking, maybe driving under the influence when you knew you shouldn't be driving, maybe cheating on an exam, maybe underage sex, maybe cheating on your girlfriend. But now you're a parent... You have a responsibility towards raising your children to, not just be average, but to be the best they can be... And what do you preach to them... Don't use drugs, don't drink, certainly don't drink and drive, don't cheat, abstain from adolescent sex. And God forbid your child asks you whether you participated in any of these underage sins... We've all practiced the standard responses... Uh, yeah but it was different back then... Or, uh, yeah but that doesn't mean it was right... Or, uh, yeah but I didn't inhale... Or, uh, yeah but don't do as I do, do as I say.

I just find the whole thing very interesting and extremely funny. Considering that within this rat race that most of us call life, with everyone striving to capture that golden monkey and knowing the perks that come with the success that is often required to maintain one's lifestyle, I guess I'm simply perplexed by how more people don't get actually get caught bleeding. That's my beginning of summer, just warming up, hotter and more humid, inoculated, unprotected, always doing my best while trying not to break the rules, double edged, performance enhanced and uncontrollably hypocritical point of view from the heather and gorse.

## Golf Winners - 2nd Place Low



Rich Gdovin, Ryan Freed, Dan Brickley,  
missing from photo Pete Ramsey

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Please be aware of the following deadlines for nominations.

- **CPGCSA Scholarship** - Deadline for submissions of applications is June 30, 2006.
- **David Rafferty Dedication, Service, and Leadership Award** nominations will be accepted until August 15, 2006.

If you need additional forms, please contact Wanda at 717-279-0368 or [cpgcsa@comcast.net](mailto:cpgcsa@comcast.net)

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- Route I-81 South to Exit 20 (Scotland). Take 997 South to Route 30. Turn right and immediately turn left at next light (997 South). Go 8.5 miles and turn left onto Mentzer Gap Road. Go 2 miles (through 1 Stop sign) and then turn right onto Country Club Road. Go to stop sign and go straight. Go 0.3 miles and bear left into club.
- From Route 30 West - use Route 15 or 997 South directions.

## CPGCSA Guest Policy

Guests will be limited to the following:

- One guest per member per meeting with the approval of the host superintendent. (As indicated on the reservation form)
- Sponsoring member is responsible for any costs to the host's club.
- A guest is limited to two (2) meetings per year with the exception of club officials or with Board approval.

## For Your Information

If you have any information that you would like included in the July newsletter, please fax information to Wanda at (717) 279-0368 or e-mail to [cpgcsa@comcast.net](mailto:cpgcsa@comcast.net) by June 16, 2006.



## In 1905 - Just Over One Hundred Years Ago!

- \* The average Life expectancy in the US was 47 years
- \* Only 8% of the homes had a telephone
- \* The maximum speed limit was 10 m.p.h.
- \* More than 95% of all births took place at home.
- \* 90% of all doctors had no college education
- \* Most women washed their hair only once/month.
- \* The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower
- \* Two out of every ten adults couldn't read or write.
- \* There were about 230 reported murders in the US.
- \* Marijuana, heroin, and morphine were available over the counter at the local corner drugstore.
- \* Alabama, Mississippi, Iowa, and Tennessee were each more heavily populated than California.
- \* With a mere 1.4 million people, California was only the 21st most populous state in the union.
- \* Five leading causes of death were: pneumonia and influenza, Tuberculosis, Diarrhea, Heart Disease, and Stroke.
- \* The American flag had 45 stars. Arizona, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Hawaii, and Alaska hadn't been admitted to the union yet.
- \* Crossword puzzles and iced tea hadn't been invented yet.
- \* Eighteen percent of households in the US had at least one fulltime servant or domestic help.
- \* Only 14% of homes in the USA had a bathtub
- \* There were only 8,000 cars and only 144 miles of paved roads
- \* The average wage was 22 cents per hour
- \* The average worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year
- \* Sugar cost four cents a pound.
- \* Eggs were fourteen cents a dozen.
- \* Coffee was fifteen cents a pound.
- \* Only 6% of all Americans had graduated from high school.

*Imagine what it may be like in another 100 years.*

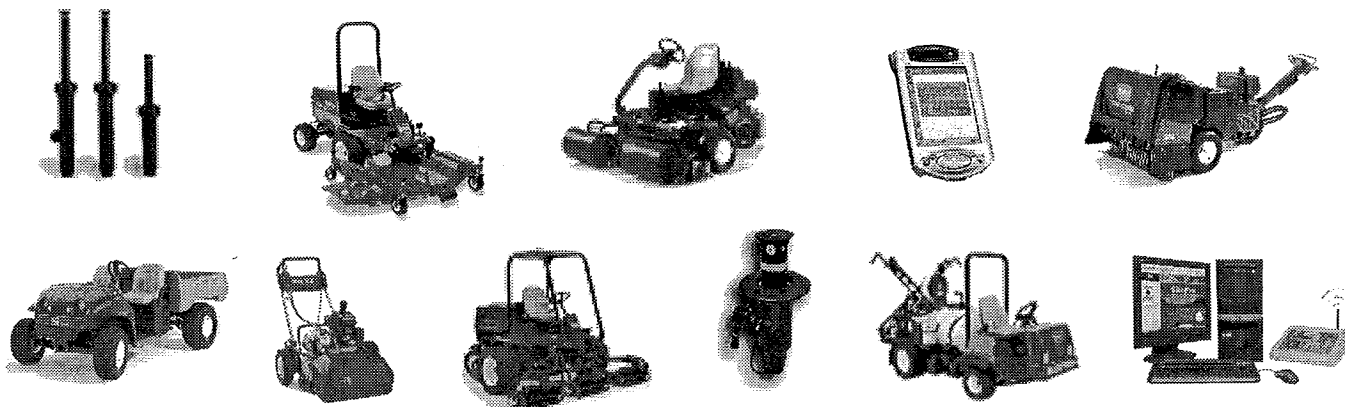


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Athletic Scholarship	Black Light
Blues Festival	Chicken Fried Steak
Civil War	Dim Wit
Drag Race	Dress Pants
False Truth	Farewell Reception
Final Draft	Full of Holes
Good Grief!	Home Office
Labor Day Holiday	Light Heavyweight
Modern Classical	Never, Ever
Old News	Paid Volunteer
Permanent Loan	Random Order
Science Fiction	Sight Unseen
Small Fortune	Terribly Pleased
There are no Absolutes	Well-preserved Ruins
Whole Piece	Wintergreen

### Did You Know???

- If you are right handed, you will tend to chew your food on your right side. If you are left handed, you will tend to chew your food on your left side.
- If you stop getting thirsty, you need to drink more water. When the human body is dehydrated, its thirst mechanism shuts off.
- Your tongue is germ free only if it is pink. If it is white, there is a thin film of bacteria on it.
- The Titanic was the first ship to use the SOS signal.
- The pupil of the eye expands as much as 45% when a person looks at something pleasing.
- The average person who stops smoking requires one hour less sleep a night.
- Laughing lowers levels of stress hormones and strengthens the immune system. Six year olds laugh an average of 300 times per day. Adults only laugh 15-100 times per day.
- The roar that we hear when we place a seashell to our ear is not the ocean, but rather the sound of blood surging through the veins in the ear.
- Dalmatians are born without spots.
- The owl is the only bird to drop its upper eyelid to wink. All other birds raise their lower eyelids.
- Most soccer players run 7 miles in a game.

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## **2006 CPGCSA Meeting Schedule**

July 18	Heidelberg Country Club
August 8	Pilgrims Oak Golf Course Meeting with PAGCS
September 29	Lebanon Country Club Golf Championship/Annual Meeting