



FLORIDA WEST COAST GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION



West Coast Wind

Letter from the President



Special thanks to Bill Kistler and the staff at Tampa Palms for hosting our 2010 Bud Quandt chapter fundraiser. The golf course was in great condition a good time was had by all. Thank you Wesco Turf again for partnering with us as a signature sponsor and to all other levels of sponsorship without your sponsorships this event could not be a success. The barbeque on the course was supplied and sponsored by Ken Husuliak. Ken once again thanks for all you do for our chapter. It is greatly appreciated.

The west coast team finished 3rd in the state championship at Southern Dunes. Pat Hickey was medalist for the team with a score of 77 followed by Duane VanEtten 78, Jason Richards 79 and Kevin Stevens 81. Thank you guys for competing in the event.

With the economy causing many clubs to tighten budgets and trying to provide acceptable playing conditions we must train our crew to help with the membership drive. If we know there is a potential member playing the course and they pass a maintenance worker they must be able to communicate a positive gesture at an appropriate time. Most potential members get the tour of the facility before they play the golf course with the membership director and maybe a drink with them after they play the round with the club ambassadors. It is the course condition and the way they are treated on the course that makes them want to be a part of the club family. We started training our maintenance staff at Cypress Run last December and so far to date we have added about 62 new members. I am sure this is not the only reason they joined the club but it has helped. Our efforts are now geared on retention programs as well as driving membership. Let's all be a part of growing the game.

I encourage all members to visit our website to stay informed with all upcoming events. We will continue to send emails to remind you of upcoming events. Please do your part and keep us informed with any news you may hear.

Duane VanEtten, G.C.S.
Cypress Run Golf Club

If you are NOT a current member...

This may be the last e-mail you receive from the Association. We will be removing names so that only members will receive updates and newsletters from the Association. If you are not sure if you are current, please send us an e-mail and we would be glad to verify your membership.



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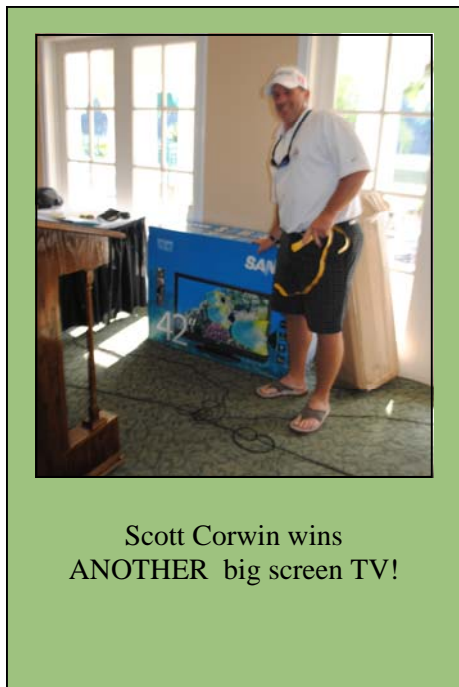
Bud Quandt

The FWCGCSA Bud Quandt Tournament was held at Tampa Palms Golf & Country Club on October 11th, and the staff at Tampa Palms did another outstanding job in hosting the event. FWCGCSA and state past President Bill Kistler had his course in great shape once again for our event. Thanks go out to Bill for continuing to take an active role in the preparation and organization for this important event

On the course, Bill was equally as successful as his team finished in a tie with the team of Duane VanEtten with an incredible winning score of 54. Bill, along with teammates Dave Glandt, Jimmy Jones, and Tracy Dachisen ended up with the low net score of 52. Duane's team of Neil Vanleeuen, Lew Smither and Mark Wheaton took home the low gross title.



Bill Kistler heads to the front for his award, amid cheers and a few friendly jeers!



Scott Corwin wins ANOTHER big screen TV!

After the round, the real excitement began in our annual raffle with the grand prize of a 42 inch flat screen television. To everyone's apparent surprise, except his, Mr. Scott Corwin won a television yet again! It was the 2009 Benevolent Tournament that Scott took home is first TV prize. Let's hope that the rest of us have a better chance next year!

The real winner of the day was the FWCGCSA as we were able to add almost \$4,000 to our general account after making a \$1,500 donation for turf research. This financial success could not be accomplished without the great support of our sponsors. **Wesco Turf** was once again our Signature Sponsor while **Golf Ventures, Harrells, and Agrium Advanced Technologies** contributed as Platinum Sponsors. Other special thanks goes out to **Ken Husiliak with Citrus Seven Pump Services** with providing some great food and drinks as well as **Christy Lyle and Pro Plus** for the on course refreshments. Thanks again to all of our sponsors as well as all the participants for helping us make another successful Bud Quandt!

Check out more pictures from the event on the next few pages!



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

— Signature Sponsor —

WESCO TURF

— Platinum Sponsors —

GOLF VENTURES

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AGRIUM ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES

— Special Thanks to —

KEN HUSILIAK WITH CITRUS SEVEN PUMP SERVICES FOR FOOD ON THE COURSE

CHRISTY LYLE WITH PRO PLUS FOR THE REFRESHMENTS ON THE COURSE

BUD QUANDT FOR HIS CONTINUED SUPPORT!



September Meeting Recap

The FWCGCSA returned to Pasadena Yacht & Country Club after a number of years for our September monthly meeting. Scott MacEwen was our host and provided a great golf course with some spectacular paspalum greens. The education for the day was delivered by Todd Lowe of the USGA with his presentation of 'Turfgrass Trends in Florida.' Todd always has some great insight into the many challenges facing superintendents throughout the state.

On the course, a point quota game was played as Scott Corwin won the front nine and Eddie MacDonald took home the top spot on the back nine and the 18-hole total. The golf course proved to be a great test for the field and a good time was had by all. Thanks again to Scott and everyone at Pasadena for help making a great day for all of us.

WINNERS!

The golf game for the day was a points game paying out first and second place for front nine, back nine and eighteen hole total.

Front nine:

1st Place Scott Corwin +8

2nd Place Keith Lamb +4

Back nine:

1st Place Eddie MacDonald +5

2nd Place John Tutko +3

Eighteen Hole Total:

1st Place Eddie MacDonald +7

2nd Place Scott Corwin +4

Closest to the Pin Winners:

Hole# 11 Fernando Coloazo

Hole# 8 Pat Hickey

Hole# 2 John Tutko

Hole# 17 No one hit the green, prize went to Carey Lewis for tying for second in the points game.

November Meeting

November 9th, 2010

Lexington Oaks Golf & Country Club

Registration at 9:00

Meeting & Education

10:00—11:30

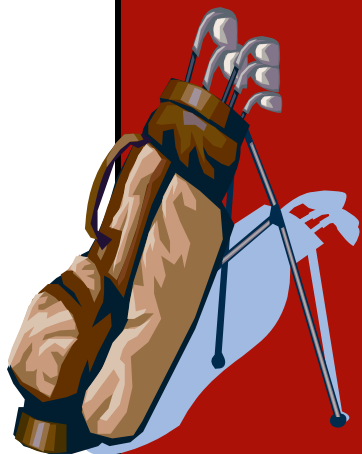
Lunch at 11:30

Shotgun at 12:30

Christy Lyle will be speaking on
Liquid Fertilizer

Cost: \$50.00

RSVP Today!



Mark your calendar now!

VENDOR DAY

December 14th at TPC

This is the one time of year we set aside to thank the vendors who support the FWCGCSA in so many ways... Please take a moment to mark your calendar today!

Chapter Delegates Update

The national GCSAA Chapter Delegates meeting was held October 22-24 in Kansas City, MO. Many topics of interest were discussed led by the proposed dues increase for 2011. The GCSAA is proposing a dues increase of \$20 for Classes A and SM, and by \$10 for Class C. This increase amount is set by the 5.8% inflation experienced since the last increase in 2008. Prior to 2003 there was no set schedule for dues increases. This led to sizeable increases of 20%. In an effort to avoid large dues increases, the GCSAA decided to review every two years and set increases using the Consumer Price Index as a guide. 2010 was the scheduled year to review a dues increase. However, the GCSAA felt it to be the wrong time to propose such action. While we are still not in a good economy, the GCSAA feels that a dues increase is reasonable and necessary at this time.

Dues are very important to the GCSAA budget, accounting for 27% of revenue. Though not tied to a specific program, project or service, GCSAA member dues support the entirety of association programs and services that members have deemed valuable to them and their facilities. The GCSAA has worked hard to cut \$5.4 million from expenses without cutting services. Even with the budget reductions, GCSAA has still had to use reserves to fund operating expenses. This is undesirable, and not something that the board is willing to continue doing. While

not popular, a dues increase is justified and needed to further the advancement of the GCSAA's objectives. If you have any thoughts on this issue, please contact a FWCGCSA board member to discuss.

There has been some confusion concerning the MSMA phase-out. Distributor inventories of MSMA labeled for turf must be exhausted by December 31, 2010. Golf Courses may continue to use MSMA until their supplies are depleted as long as the containers are labeled for turfgrass use.

This year's Florida Reception during the Golf Industry Show will be held Thursday, February 10, 2011. The event will be held at Epcot and all attendees will be bussed there from the Orlando Convention area. In order to attend you must be a current member or sponsoring vendor in possession of a wristband. Wristbands will all be mailed ahead of time and will not be passed out the evening of the event. (Your membership with the Florida West Coast Superintendent Association automatically enrolls you as a member of the FGCSA. If you haven't renewed, please do so ASAP.)



Your Sneak Peek is Now Available

The 2011 GCSAA Education Conference and the Golf Industry Show registration brochure will be delivered with your October issue of GCM, but a sneak peek is now available [online](#).

Take advantage of this opportunity to get a step ahead by previewing the seminars, sessions, products and opportunities available to you at the 2011 conference and show. With a promise of profitability and a destination like Orlando, this is one event you can't afford to miss.

Mark your calendar: member registration and housing open October 5, nonmember registration opens November 4.

NPDES News

The GCSAA Public Policy department has been doing a great job following up on requests for status updates on the various regulations in the works. Here's the latest info on the NPDES (Spray Drift) rules that were looking like you'd have to apply for permits to apply pesticides. Need to check out the links below for specifics, but there is a ray of hope. The Florida DEP is certainly trying to keep it simple for many end users including golf courses. As noted this might not go over well with activists, so we are as Ralph Dain said, "Keeping our fingers crossed." Take advantage of the comment period indicated also by one of the links and talk about the timing of having to apply products to prevent or cure outbreaks, can't wait to apply for a permit when pythium is attacking your overseeding, or cutworms chewing up the greens.

Cordially yours,

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New Phone Ap!

Golf Industry Show Connection

Put the Golf Industry Show in the palm of your hand with Golf Industry Show Connection — a smartphone application that will streamline your experience in Orlando. Everything you need to know about the show is available right on your phone.

With Golf Industry Show Connection, you can:

- Review sessions and add them to your calendar
- Search for exhibitors and find them on the show floor
- Preview the show floor with an interactive map
- Download brochures from exhibitors
- Stay in the know with show alerts
- Access Orlando destination spots
- Find local merchant coupons and discounts
- Follow the Twitter feed to hear what others are saying

Golf Industry Show Connection is available for iPhone, Android, Blackberry and any smartphone that has web-browser capability.

TO DO LIST:

- ☑ Make sure you have renewed your FWCGCSA membership!
- ☑ RSVP for the November meeting at Lexington Oaks Golf & Country Club Next Tuesday, November 9th.
- ☑ Register for the 2011 GCSAA Educational Conference
- ☑ Make plans to attend Vendor Day in December!



Need to contact the FWCGCSA? The easiest way is via e-mail...

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Absolute Golf Equipment Auction

Tuesday November 9 2010

Weeks Farm Machinery

2186 Sylvester Hwy.

Moultrie Ga. 31786 - 229 985 5048



John Deere Eastern Region Golf Distributors have commissioned Weeks Farm Machinery Co. to liquidate over 800 used Golf Course Machines at an Absolute Auction on November 9 2010. This will be the largest Golf Equipment Auction this year. The auction will occur at Weeks Farm Machinery location, 2186 Sylvester Road, Moultrie Ga. 31768. **Rain or Shine No Minimums No Reserves.** (229 985 5048)

The Machines consist of John Deere, Toro, Jacobson, Cushman, Frontier, Ryan, Wiedenmann, Falcon, Lastec, SmithCo. T-Mag, Agri Metal and others. We have E Gators, Turf Gators, 4x2, Pro Gators, both walk behind and self propelled Greensmowers, Fairway Mowers, Rough Mowers, Sprayers, Trailers, Vacuum systems, Irrigation equipment, Core processors, Blowers, and mini trucks along with attachments to support these machines.

Visit our web site, www.weeksfarmmachinery.com to view the listings that will be updated daily for this important auction event. Financing can be provided through John Deere Credit by getting prior approved for the auction.

Call 229 985 5048 to get you approved for financing.

If you cannot attend the auction in person, you can still purchase what you need through our On-Line auction bidding service provided by www.proxibid.com. Register and log in to view the machines for sale a week prior to sale day and bid to purchase on sale day Nov. 9 2010 to obtain the machines that you need for your operation.

We look forward to seeing you at the auction. For further information please contact us:

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Models being sold include but not limited to: JD F1145, JD F1435, JD F1565, JD 1600, JD 1800, JD 22, JD 220, JD 25A, JD 2500, JD 2653, JD 3215 A & B, JD 3225 A,B,&C, JD 3235 A,B,&C, JD 3245, JD 305, JD 365, JD 997, JD E GATORS, JD TURF GATORS, JD 4X2, JD PRO GATOR 2020, TORO 325D, TORO 1250, TORO 5600, TORO 1000, TORO 1600, TORO FLEX 21, TORO 5300, and MORE