



The Green Sheet

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Happy 74th Anniversary CPGCSA!!!!

On Tuesday evening April 11, 1939 a meeting was held at the Colonial Country Club in Harrisburg for the purpose of organizing the greenskeepers of the area. Those in attendance at this meeting were George Morris, Riley Heckert, Hugh McJunis, James Morrison, Charles Bolton, John Grove, Jack Narril, and Al Heron. At this meeting it was decided to call the group "The Central Pennsylvania Greenskeepers Association". Officers elected were George Morris - President, Hugh McJunis - Vice President, and Riley Heckert - Secretary-Treasurer. Meetings were scheduled for the second Monday of each month with monthly meetings March through November. Dues to cover expenses were set at \$3.00 and the first meeting was set for May 8, 1939 at the Colonial Country Club.

Riley Heckert sent letters to all greenskeepers in the area to announce the gathering. The day started with golf in the afternoon and was followed by dinner. Following dinner Mr. Musser and Mr. Benham from State College and County Agent Fromeyer spoke about fairway grasses, heights of cut for bluegrass and fertilization. Following the educational sessions a business meeting was held and Edward Zwick and E. P. Morris were taken into the Association as new members, raising the membership to ten.

During 1939 the membership grew to thirteen members and at the November meeting the members decided that they wanted to continue meeting throughout the winter rather than wait until March as originally planned.

The Association was a success, just as today, **74 years later.**

Editors Note:

We are currently in the process of planning our 75th Anniversary celebration. We are looking for pieces of our past: pictures, minutes, newspaper articles, etc. If you have anything that you would like to contribute or share with us, please contact Wanda at cpgcsa@hotmail.com or Greg Borzok, Chairman at zok1@aol.com or 717-652-8409.

April Meeting

Joint with Keystone Association

Mountain View Country Club

Tuesday, April 16, 2013

Speaker - 11:00 AM

Lunch - 11:45 AM

Golf - 12:30 PM

Mountain View Country Club offers a challenging 18-hole layout for the experienced golfer or even the beginner. Measuring 6,427 yards from the Championship Tees, the golf course offers picture perfect views of both Mount Nittany and Tussey Mountain throughout the round with the headwaters of Spring Creek winding through the front and back nines, coming into play on five holes. Dave Williams, CGCS is the course Superintendent.

The Speaker for this meeting is Dr. John Kaminski. Dr. Kaminski will discuss the availability of free technology and how it can better help turf managers to track and manage their properties.

Mountain View Country Club
(formerly the Elks Club of State College)
100 Elks Club Road
Boalsburg, PA 16827

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President's Message

Greetings Central Penn,

On behalf of the Board of Director's, I would like to make everyone aware that we will be voting on a change to our Bylaws at the May Meeting. Article III, Section 3.02 is shown below and the change has been underlined. The Election of Officers will now take place during the Winter Educational Meeting since it is the most well attended CPGCSA meeting of the year.

The current Bylaw states:

Section 3.02 **Annual Meeting.** The board of directors may fix the date and time of the annual meeting of the members, but if no such date and time is fixed by the board, the meeting for any calendar year shall be held during the month of December during such year, and at said meeting the Voting Members shall elect directors and shall transact such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting. If the annual meeting shall not have been called and held within six (6) months after the designated time, any Voting Member may call the meeting at any time thereafter.

The new Bylaw states:

Section 3.02 **Annual Meeting /Election of Officers.** The board of directors may fix the date and time of the annual meeting of the members, but if no such date and time is fixed by the board, the meeting for any calendar year shall be held during the Winter Educational Meeting, and at said meeting the Voting Members shall elect directors and shall transact such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting. If the annual meeting/election of officers shall not have been called and held within six (6) months after the designated time, any Voting Member may call the meeting at any time thereafter.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thanks,
Rebecca Matis

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 CPGCSA at the next meeting.

- Andrew DooleyClass SM
Superintendent, Berkshire Country Club
- Jason FreyClass C
Assistant Superintendent, Wilmington Country Club
- Eric Kline Class AF
Sales Representative, Genesis Turfgrass
- Bryant Roush.....Class C
Assistant Superintendent, Country Club of Harrisburg

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

- Hodges Rash Class AF
Hodges Rash Company

If you know of anyone who is interested in membership into the association, please have them contact Tim Hill at 717-336-3847.

Membership information is also available on the Central Penn website at:
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Maintenance Programs Already Require Compromise

By Darin S. Bevard, Director, Mid-Atlantic Region

April 3, 2013

Colder than normal weather has remained in place for the entire Mid-Atlantic Region. In fact, March was the coldest in 15 years in many areas of the region. Two themes on the opposite ends of the management spectrum are common when cold weather slows the start of the growing season. First, some superintendents are trying to implement programs because the calendar says it is time to get certain tasks completed. Treating to control annual bluegrass weevil and *Poa annua* seedhead development are programs that immediately come to mind. Treatments have been applied because the calendar said it is time. In many instances, these treatments will be too early to obtain optimum control because the grass and the insects do not live by the calendar; they live by the environmental conditions present and their development has been delayed by the cold weather conditions.

Second, we see cases where the cold weather has led some turfgrass managers to simply wait until the weather warms to begin course preparations. This strategy is also alarming because once air and soil temperatures increase, there will be several time sensitive applications that need to be completed in a very short window of opportunity.

Those superintendents that have compromised between these two extremes of management are in the best position for success. Certain time sensitive applications, for example, preemergence herbicides, can be made in spite of the cold temperatures. The herbicide can be watered-in for activation or timed with rainfall to create the barrier needed for crabgrass and goosegrass control. If these applications are a week or two early, control will not be affected. The bottom line is that the weather really does dictate most of our turfgrass management strategies and maintenance schedules need to be adjusted accordingly.

With the exception of the south central and southeast portions of Virginia, most of the grass is still dormant, or is just now beginning to break dormancy. Those greens that were core aerated in March are healing very slowly, if at all. The pace of healing will increase only when temperatures increase. Patience is needed by the golfers and superintendents alike. This spring is a stark contrast to the early spring of 2012, and maintenance strategies need to be adapted accordingly to the weather that we are experiencing now.

If you need any more evidence that it has been very cold this spring, blue crab season opened on the Chesapeake Bay on April 1. However, there are no crabs! It is too cold for them to emerge from the mud. Again, be patient.



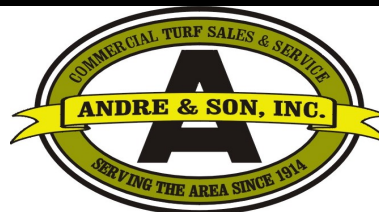
The grass is still dormant or semi-dormant throughout much of the Mid-Atlantic Region. The calendar says spring, but colder than normal temperatures are still delaying turfgrass development.

For Your Information

If you have any information that you would like included in the May newsletter, please call Wanda at (717) 279-0368 or e-mail to cpgcsa@hotmail.com by April 26, 2013.

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2013 CPGCSA Meeting Schedule

May 6th - Country Club of Harrisburg

June 24 - Spring Ford Country Club
Joint Meeting with Philadelphia AGCS

July - Social

August - Social

September - Lebanon Country Club
Golf Championship

October 7th - Oktoberfest Open
Berkshire Country Club



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