The Mountain State

reentetter Volume 14, Issue 4
April 2022

West Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association

Board of Director's Message

I am happy to announce our annual turf conference is back in action! The event will take place at Stonewall Resort on November 1st. It is quite a ways off, but we have already begun seeking out and contacting potential speakers for the event. If you know of anyone that might be willing to participate, please contact Amber.

Again, a quick reminder of upcoming events...

Our spring meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 10th at Marietta Country Club. Lunch will begin at 11, followed by golf at noon.

The 37th annual William C. Campbell Scholarship and Research Fundraiser will be held at Bel Meadow Golf Club on Monday, June 13th. Registration is at 10 with a shotgun outing beginning at noon.

It is getting too busy around here at this point to write a monthly letter and I'd be willing to bet you all are getting too busy to read it.

So....let's get after it! I hope everyone is looking all set for success this season.

Thank you, Bobby Cline, CGCS Guyan G&CC

WVGCSA New Website: www.wvgcsa.org

Upcoming Events:

Spring Meeting @ Marietta CC | Tuesday, May 10th Lunch and Meeting - 11am | Golf at Noon Cost - \$40 per person

> Scholarship Fundraiser Monday, June 13th Bel Meadow Golf Club

Turf Conference Tuesday, November 1st Stonewall Resort





Superintendent Spotlight Q&A Collin Southern, Sleepy Hollow Golf Club

1. Tell us about your family-

"My name is Collin Southern, I live in Hurricane, WV with my wife Megan and 4 month old son Houston."

2. Tell us about your work history, courses you've worked, etc.

"I am superintendent at Sleepy Hollow Golf Club, but also have golf course experience in the Carolinas. I worked at both Birkdale Golf Club in Huntersville, NC and Waterford Golf Club in Rock Hill, SC."

3. Tell us about your hobbies outside of work.

"Outside of work I enjoy spending time with my new, growing family, as well as most outdoor activities including hunting, fishing, and skiing. Volunteering with Saint Albans High School baseball team as a coach has also been a passion of mine for years."

4. How have you handled the pandemic these last two years?

"The pandemic, as disruptive as it has been in our personal lives, has been equally challenging professionally. With staff numbers low, and participation rising once golf was deemed a safe activity, the challenge of providing optimum conditions with less could only be met with longer hours. I have high hopes for 2022 as we are finally starting to see individuals eager to get back in the workforce."

Stay tuned for next month's Superintendent Spotlight as we get to know some of our new members!



Proud Gold Sponsor

of the 2022 West Virginia Superintendents
Association Annual Scholarship and
Fundraiser Golf Tournament

Thank you Golf Course Superintendents for your long hours, dedication and expertise to the game we love.

www.wvga.org | 304.391.5000





The West Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association

presents the 37th Annual Scholarship & Research Fundraiser Golf Tournament

Bel Meadow Golf Club - Mt. Clare, WV

Monday, June 13th, 2022
Registration 10:00 am | Shotgun Start 12:00 pm
Format: 4 person scramble with no minimum Handicap

Special Club rate of \$600 per 4 person team

This must include 4 members from one Club or Resort (Superintendent, Owners, Managers, Assistants, Golf Pros, Spray Tech or Mechanics, etc.)

Entry Form

\$700 per team (\$600 for club teams) includes: Closest to the Hole, Longest Putt, Longest Drive &
50/50 Contests, Boxed Lunch & 4 beverage Tickets provided for on the course. Umbrellas will be given for the
tee gift this year! Cash bar and cook out following golf.

Total Enclosed \$

	Golf Team Name		
Player # 1		Email	
Player # 2		Email	
Player #3		Email	
Player #4		Email	

ENTRIES ARE LIMITED TO THE FIRST 36 TEAMS. PAYMENTS MUST BE INCLUDED WITH THIS REGISTRATION FORM. *PLEASE RETURN BY MAY 28th*

Make checks payable to "WVGCSA" and return to:

WVGCSA | PO Box 335 | Charleston, WV 25322 Call Tony Coppa for Questions at (304)280-0034 To pay by credit card, contact Amber Breed at 304-638-8978



The West Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association

presents the 37th Annual Scholarship & Research Fundraiser Golf Tournament

Bel Meadow Golf Club, Mt. Clare, WV

Monday, June 13, 2022

The Annual Fundraiser has been a huge success thanks to your support.

Gold Sponsor-\$1000

4 Person team entry, Name on Major Sponsor Sign, Tee Sponsor Sign, & a Commemorative plaque

Silver Sponsor-\$850

4 Person Team Entry, Name on lunch Sponsor Sign, & Tee Sponsor Sign

Bronze Sponsor-\$750

4 Person Team Entry & Tee Sponsor Sign

Gold Sponsor wishing to add more than one team will receive a discounted price of \$600 for each additional team!

Sponsorship will help to provide Lunch, Beverage Cart, and Cook Out at the final reception. Your continued support is crucial to the success of the fundraiser.

*We are asking our Corporate Members to please bring an item to donate to the Association to be auctioned at the fundraiser to raise more money for our scholarships! In 2021, we awarded scholarships to 5 recipients!

All Corporate Sponsors must be received by June 1, 2022. We would like to thank you in advance for your continued support. Feel free to contact me at (304)280-0034.

Thank You, Tony Coppa Fundraiser Chairman

MAXimum Plant Protection with Harrell's ProtectMAX®

Harrell's ProtectMAX® products are specifically formulated using multiple chemical groups and active ingredients to give you maximimum plant protection from a range of diseases and weeds, allowing plants & turf room to grow and you room to relax.

Your plants deserve the best defense against environmental stress.

- Budget MAXimization
- Broad Activity Spectrum
- Multiple Modes of Action
- Contact and Systemic Activity
- Quality Herbicide and Fungicide Formulations

Contact your Harrell's Representative for more information





Covers and Patience - Two Things Golf Courses Need Right Now By John Daniels, agronomist, Northeast Region

As soil temperatures continue to warm, the extent of winter injury is becoming more apparent. The contrast in color between healthy green turf and that which is damaged or completely dead has become quite stark on putting greens throughout the Northeast. Golf courses that deployed covers early have realized the full extent of damage for some time now and have already implemented recovery programs.

The use of permeable covers is not only important for early detection of winter injury, but also a valuable tool in helping to warm the soil and get a jump on turf recovery. Most well-equipped golf courses have some large covers available that can be used to cover an entire green or large tee surface. However, there are a surprising number of golf courses that do not have covers, which has left them scrambling to borrow them from generous neighbors. Covers have traveled all the way from Rhode Island to New York this spring. If there's one thing to learn from this year, it is that every golf course should have a few covers on hand in the unfortunate event that it is a tough winter.

While the amount of golf courses still dealing with winter injury is sizeable, it has been nice to hear some reports of damaged putting greens making significant improvements after installing covers. A lot can happen in just seven days and areas that seemed to have no hope have, to the surprise of some seasoned superintendents, made considerable recovery. Don't underestimate the power covers and patience can have on turf recovery. Keeping greens out of play a little bit longer could save you from having to sod as much as you might have originally thought necessary.

If you are continuing to struggle with winter injury at your golf course, please reach out to one of us listed below. We are just a quick phone call or email away and would be happy to assist during this frustrating time.

Northeast Region Agronomists:

Adam Moeller, director, Green Section Education – amoeller@usga.org

Darin Bevard, director, Championship Agronomy – dbevard@usga.org

Elliott Dowling, agronomist – edowling@usga.org

John Daniels, agronomist – jdaniels@usga.org



Using covers can help you determine what is alive and well, versus what is damaged and slow to recover.



Marshall Klay

Golf Course Sales Representative

mklay@advancedturf.com (304) 909–1511





FERTILIZER PESTICIDES SOIL AMENDMENTS SEED POND PRODUCTS ICE MELT



800.792.5537

WWW.WALKERSUPPLYINC.COM



TEE SPONSOR FORM

The West Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association will be holding their 37th Annual William C. Campbell Scholarship and Research Fundraiser Golf Tournament on Monday, June 13th, 2022 at Bel Meadow Golf Club.

The Annual Fundraiser has been a huge success thanks to your support. We will once again be offering hole sponsorships for you to consider. Each hole sponsor will have their sign clearly displayed on a tee, as well as displayed on the Sponsor Board during the event. With your continued support, we can make this year's event our most productive ever as well as great fun for all involved.

If you would like to change the verbiage on last year's tee sign or if you are a new sponsor, please include your verbiage below. Please, no more than 4 words allowed per line.

Line #1 Line #2 Line #3 Line #4			
	 rent from above)		
Number of Holes Make checks paya	 @ \$100.00 for 1 st sign & \$50.00 for ad	ditional tee signs \$	_ Total Sponsor
Return to:	WVGCSA PO Box 335		

If paying by credit card, please call Amber Breed at 304-638-8978

Charleston, WV 25322