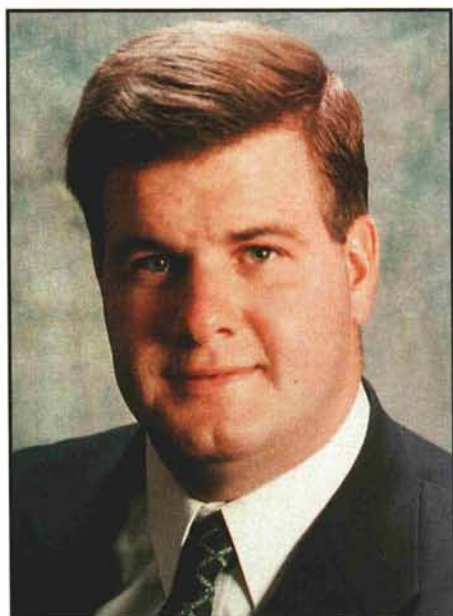


Darin Bevard Joins Green Section Staff



Darin S. Bevard

Darin S. Bevard has joined the USGA Green Section staff as agronomist for the Mid-Atlantic Region. Darin will work with Stan Zontek and Keith

Happ visiting golf courses throughout the five-state region as a part of the Green Section's Turf Advisory Service.

His work experience at several Maryland golf courses will serve him well in the challenges of maintaining turf in the transition zone. Most recently, Darin was the assistant superintendent at Talbot Country Club in Easton, Maryland. He also was involved in course maintenance during the grow-in at Old South Country Club, in Lolham, Maryland, and worked on the crew at Harbourtowne Country Club in St. Michaels, Maryland.

Darin received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Penn State University. Dr. Tom Watschke served as his major professor for his master's degree as he investigated weed control in newly established turfgrass. During his last year of study, he was awarded the Pennsylvania Turfgrass Council Scholarship for outstanding graduate work.

Darin will relocate with his wife, Katie, to West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Zontek Receives Award



Stanley Zontek

Stanley Zontek, director of the USGA Green Section's Mid-Atlantic Region, was presented with the Golf Course Builders Association of America (GCBA) Don A. Rossi Humanitarian Award at the GCBA's annual awards dinner held in conjunction with the GCSAA Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The Don A. Rossi Humanitarian Award is given by the GCBA in honor of the late Don A. Rossi, who was the executive director of the National Golf Foundation from 1970 to 1983, and of the GCBA from 1984 until his death in 1990. It is presented annually to individuals who have made significant contributions to the game of golf and its growth, and who have inspired others by their example.

As a new Penn State graduate, Stanley joined the USGA Green Section in 1971 as agronomist for the Northeastern Region. In his 25+ years on staff, he has served as director of the Northeastern Region, the North Central Region, and in his most current position as director of the Mid-Atlantic Region. In addition to his ongoing responsibilities to the Turf Advisory Service, Stan has assisted in training nearly half of the current Green Section staff.

Stan gives freely of his time to the golf industry. In receiving his award he said, "Being named the 1997 Rossi Award recipient is one of the most pleasant shocks of my life." Congratulations, Stan, from all of your friends in golf.

Schedule Now and Be Budget-Wise

More than a few pennies can be saved by marking an important date on your 1997 calendar.

Golf courses subscribing to the Green Section's Turf Advisory Service (TAS) will receive a \$300 discount for full-day and half-day visits if the payment is received at Golf House on or before May 15, 1997. The fees have

remained the same for the 1997 season. Contact your regional agronomist soon to schedule your 1997 TAS visit.

1997 Turf Advisory Service Visits

| | <i>After May 15</i> | <i>Early Payment</i> |
|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Half-day visit | \$1,200 | \$900 |
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Physical Soil Testing Laboratories*

The following laboratories are accredited by the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA), having demonstrated ongoing competency in testing materials specified in the USGA's Recommendations for Putting Green Construction. The USGA recommends that only A2LA-accredited laboratories be used for testing and analyzing materials for building greens according to our guidelines.

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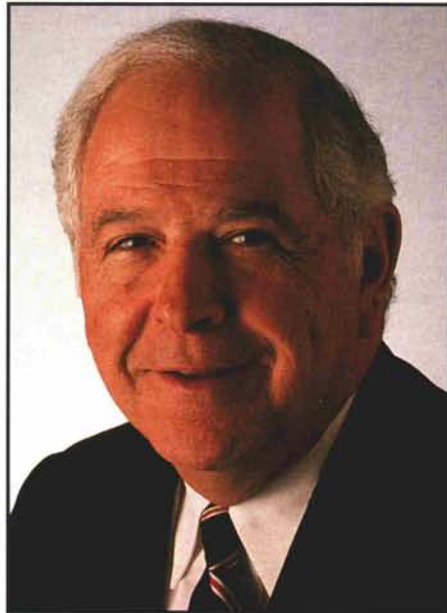
*Revised October 21, 1996. Please contact the USGA Green Section (908-234-2300) for an updated list of accredited laboratories.

Joe England Named Green Section Chairman

USGA President Judy Bell recently appointed Clarence McD. England III, better known as Joe England, to the position of Chairman of the Green Section Committee. A member of the USGA's Executive Committee since 1996, he replaces Thomas W. Chisholm, who is stepping down from the Executive Committee after a three-year stint as Green Section chairman and seven years on the Executive Committee.

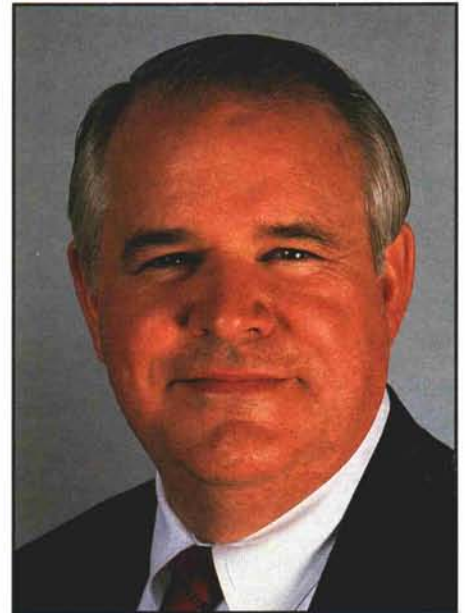
Joe England is no stranger to the USGA. His dad spent three years on the Executive Committee in the mid-1960s. Joe followed in his footsteps as a member of the Green Section Committee (1982-84), and as a member of the Sectional Affairs Committee, before joining the USGA Executive Committee.

In his new position, Joe will provide guidance to the Green Section's many activities, including its Turf Advisory Service, the Turfgrass Research Program, and the Green Section's environmental efforts. He also will serve as chairman of the Green Section's Turfgrass and Environmental Research Committee and the Green Section Award Committee.



Thomas W. Chisholm

Sincere thanks and best wishes are extended to outgoing chairman Tom Chisholm, whose tenure oversaw a significant expansion in the Green Section's communication efforts to highlight results from the USGA Turfgrass and Environmental Research Program. Tom also helped win approval by



Joe England

the Executive Committee to develop the new Construction Education Program and fund on-site testing of new bentgrass and bermudagrass varieties on golf course practice putting greens. Fortunately, Tom has volunteered to continue to serve on the USGA Green Section Committee.

First Green Section Internship Awarded



Andy Zimmerman

J. Andrew Zimmerman, a junior in the turfgrass program at the University of Illinois, was selected as the recipient of the first annual Green Section Summer Intern Scholarship.

The Intern program was established to give an undergraduate student, between his/her junior and senior years, the opportunity to spend eight weeks making Turf Advisory Service visits and participating in other Green Section summer activities. Each week will be spent with an agronomist in a different part of the country, including a week making research monitoring visits with Dr. Mike Kenna, director of Green Section research.

Andy brings a solid academic record and practical experience to the Intern program. As he completes his junior

year at the University of Illinois, he is a regular on the Dean's List, and has yet to receive a grade lower than an A. He expects to complete his bachelor of science degree as an ornamental horticulture major in May 1998. Andy has worked for two years at Champaign (Illinois) Country Club. His future interests include becoming a golf course superintendent and possibly continuing his education in graduate school.

As part of the Intern program, Andy will conduct a survey to determine management objectives and performance of greens at the golf courses he visits.

The USGA funded the Intern program to provide an outstanding student the opportunity to learn about golf course maintenance from the perspective of the Green Section's agronomists. We believe this experience will have a lasting, positive influence on the student, regardless of the career path taken.

KTURF Calculation Correction

The article "KTURF: A Pesticide and Nitrogen Leaching Model," which appeared in the January/February 1997 issue of the *Green Section Record*, contained a calculation error in the examples given. The correct output values for the nitrogen and pesticide examples should have been 1% and 7%, respectively.

The KTURF model was developed by researchers at Kansas State University to estimate the percentage of applied nitrogen or pesticide that leaches through a 20-inch turfgrass-covered soil profile under various circumstances. It allows users to experiment with different pesticide/irrigation schemes to optimize maintenance practices and reduce the likelihood of leaching beyond the root zone. The model is available via the internet at: <http://www.eece.ksu.edu/~starret/KTURF/>



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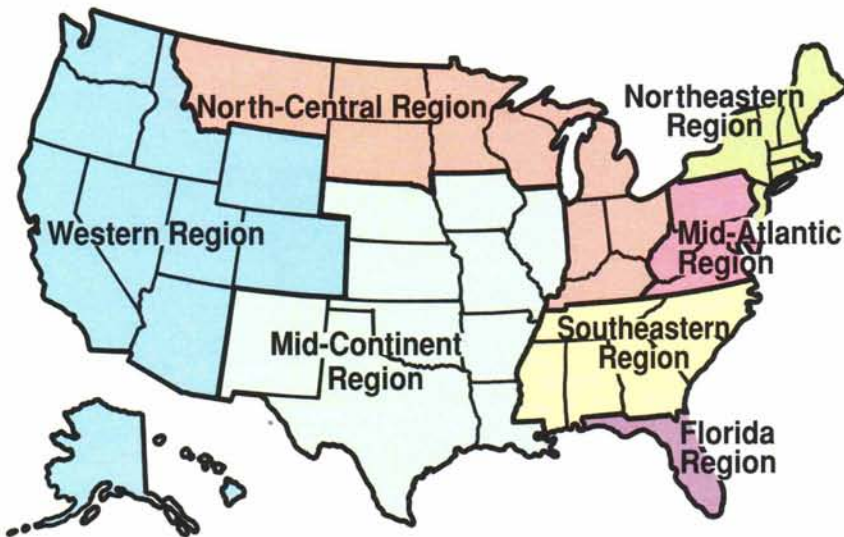
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