



Speaking Of Golf

By JOE MAPLES

Tentative opening date of the Boone Golf Club has been set for Friday, April 12th, assuming the weather won't play any tricks on us. Needless to say, this is good news for all local players as well as many from other localities that have been waiting for this word. Much work will be taking place on the course between now and then in an effort to get it in the best possible playing condition. The present condition of it is very good, in fact possibly the best for this time of year since we opened in 1959. The maintenance crew will need the time remaining to do certain necessary work such as rolling fairways, and greens, doing repair work on bridges and approaches that were damaged by the recent heavy rains, completing the new steps at the golf shop, painting equipment, tee markers, flag poles and signs. In addition, the golf shop is going to get a new coat of paint which is badly needed. There is also a pre-season fertilization program to be carried out on tees and greens. We should have time to complete most of this work during the coming weeks so get those old rusty clubs out and give them a good cleaning because it won't be long now!

I was extremely fortunate at the fine Turf Grass Management Institute at Winston-Salem last week in being able to have a long discussion with Dr. Fred Grau, one of the foremost turfgrass experts in the country. I have known this fine gentleman for quite a few years and had last seen him at the National Turfgrass Conference in Miami. Before we were through, he agreed to ride back to Boone with me and have a look at our course. As luck would have it, we were greeted by almost an inch of snow which had the grass pretty well covered. We still looked over several holes on the course and with a broom, swept snow away so we could look at the turf itself. Dr. Grau was quite pleas-

ed with the turf on our greens, saying that it was as good as any he had seen lately and better than most. Before leaving, he gave me some valuable information and made some suggestions that should result in even finer turf on both greens and fairways. Some of his suggestions should result in a reduction of clover and poa-anus in our fairways and greens. We are extremely fortunate in being able to have the benefit of the vast turfgrass knowledge that this very dedicated man has accumulated during the many years that he has worked in this field.

The month of May will be a busy one for the local course with three tournaments set to take place, starting with the Carolinas Conference and NALA District 26 events, followed by a two day Ladies Foothill event and ending with our annual one day Carolinas Golf Association tournament on May 26.

We plan to get the season underway with a match with the Oakwoods Country Club of Wilkesboro on Sunday April 21st, so those of you who would like to play in this, sign up as soon as the shop opens. We will need about thirty-five, possibly forty players.

Big time tournament golf comes to the Carolinas this week with the annual Azalea Open Invitational at the Cape Fear Country Club in Wilmington. This is the annual tune-up for the Masters Tournament which will be played in Augusta next week and golfers who take in the Azalea usually go well at Augusta. Host professional for this fine event is Hampton Auld, known to many in and around Boone as one of the regular contestants in our Blue Ridge Pro-Am each September. If you plan to be in that area during the tournament, plan to stop by and watch some of the worlds greatest shotmakers in action on a fine championship course.



The above boys placed first in the state Point: Baker Edmisten, Johnny Cook, Alton wrestling touney held recently in High Johnson, and Royce Carroll

Netmen Open Mountaineers Try Out Spring Sports Baseball With Deacs

The Appalachian State tennis team opens the spring sports schedule this Friday and Saturday with a pair of matches against Atlantic Christian in Wilson. Baseball and golf wait another week before playing their opening battles.

The netmen, who boast of a 12-1 record last season, have four lettermen returning to carry Appalachian hopes. Of unusual interest this spring is the battle for playing positions. Norman Chambers won 12 while losing only 2 at the number one spot last season. However, Ronnie Smarr also has ambitions for the top spot. Smarr returning to the squad after a season's absence, played the top spot two years ago and compiled a record of 9 wins and 1 loss. Another battler for top billing is Sam Sifri, who won 12 while losing 1 at the number three spot last year.

Rounding out the four lettermen is Larry Vaughn, a senior who played quite a bit at the number six spot last season. Vaughn has improved greatly and is battling for a higher berth.

Top newcomer to the squad is

The Appalachian State Mountaineers baseball team travelled to Wake Forest this past Saturday and played a practice game with the Deacons. Prior to this practice game the Mountaineers had only got to practice on the baseball diamond only three times due to the bad weather. The Mountaineers made a good showing against the Deacons and showed some hope of success for the coming season.

Yount and Gibbs looked good

freshman Kay Stallings. A four-year veteran of high school tennis, Stallings was a member of the Goldsboro state championship team last season, and teamed with his brother Ray to win the state crown in the doubles division. Stallings holds his own with the veteran members of the squad, and will probably play high on the ladder in either singles or doubles.

Another newcomer who appears to have nailed down a starting position on the top six is J. W. Isenhour. A junior transfer from N. C. State, Isenhour was forced to sit out last season.

behind the plate for the Mountaineers and Simmons, Avery, Smith, and Walser showed signs of brilliance for the infield. The outfielders were led by Jim Goff and Jim Sides. Goff made some outstanding catches and Sides looked good at the bat for the Mountaineers. Green, Daniels and Reuter were the most outstanding on the mound for the Apps. Bill Jarrett, veteran pitcher for the Mountaineers, looked good but he needs work on his control. He is expected to be in top form by the time the season opens. Three players did not make the trip due to injuries and they were Dixon, Gene Sides, and Herbert Diggs. The boys showed a lot of spirit in this game and the preparation for the season will just take time.

The gossip of small towns is just about the same as that in large cities, but it is more unanimous.

Bowling Highlights

Coe Insurance Jr. League
Results: Policy Holders 1, Total Loss 1; Firebugs 1, Premiums 1; Dividends 2, Full Coverage 0.
Scoring
Dividends — Danny Wilson and Randy Marsh 156.
Full Coverage—Perry Greene 148, Wayne Underwood 110.
Firebugs—Gary Deitz 148, Robert Sherwin 167.
Premiums — Preston Hughes 130, Ted Greene 125.
Policy Holders—Steve Matson 165, Alan Moretz 144.
Total Loss—Bill Hughes 138, Palmer Blair 130.

Standings
TEAMS W L
Dividends 16 6
Premiums 15 7
Policy Holders 12 10
Total Loss 10 12
Firebugs 7 15
Full Coverage 6 16

Sportsman League
Results: Kingpins 5, M and R Furniture 1; Coca Cola 3, Furniture Mart 1; Burgess Furniture and Winklers Gulf postponed.

Scoring
Furniture Mart—Ed Critcher 185, Tracy Norris 178.
Coca Cola—Hugh Cook 200, Harold Hartley 185.
Kingpins—Frank Auton 204, Willard Trivett and R. D. Auton 180.
M and R Furniture—Ray Ward 181, Lynn Stephenson 173.

Standings
TEAMS W L
Coca Cola 26 10
Furniture Mart 19 17
Burgess Furniture 17 15
M and R Furniture 13 19
Winklers Gulf 13 19
Kingpins 12 24

Berchants League
Results: Andrews Chevrolet 4, Toms Toasted 0; Blowing Rock 4, Varsity Shop 0; Wagner's Real Estate 4, College Book Store 0; Wilcox Travel and Farmers Hardware postponed.

Scoring
Wagner's Real Estate—Horace Dowling 202, Jerry Austin 182.

College Book Store—Jim Duncan 181, Ned Trivette 147.
Varsity Shop—Major Thomas 204, Harvey Ayers 194.
Blowing Rock—Max Moody 191, Larry Moody 189.
Toms Toasted—J. D. Cook 165, Dayton Teague 154.
Andrews Chevrolet — Don Denny 228, G. K. Andrews 162.

Standings
TEAMS W L
Wagners Real Estate 30 1/2 13 1/2
Andrews Chevrolet 25 1/2 18 1/2
Wilcox Travel Agency 23 17
Farmers Hardware 21 19
Blowing Rock 23 21
College Book Store 18 1/2 25 1/2
Varsity Shop 16 28
Toms Toasted 14 1/2 29 1/2

Boone Ten Pin League
Results: Coe Insurance 3, Shadowline 1; Town House 3, Walker Tractor 1; Antique Auto to 3, Winks Cafe 1; Poindexter Insurance 3, SAI 1.

Scoring
SAI—C. P. Teague 202, Bruce Bumgarner 189.
Poindexter Insurance—Clyde Greene 198, Ernest Lyons 191.
Winks Cafe—Norman Moody 211, R. Carswell 190.
Antique Auto—Bob Brown 222, Conley Earp 212.
Town House—Joe Edmisten 202, Billy Billings 200.
Walker Tractor—Ray Ward 188, Glenn Moretz 187.
Shadowline — John Broynhill 197, Lynn Stephenson 183.
Coe Insurance—Tom Critcher 221, Marvin Deal 207.

Standings
TEAMS W L
Coe Insurance 29 1/2 10 1/2
Town House 24 16
Antique Auto 22 18
S A I 21 19
Poindexter Insurance 20 20
Shadowline 18 1/2 21 1/2
Walker Tractor 16 24
Winks Cafe 9 31

Ladies League
Results: Boone Drug 3, College Girls 1; Watauga Savings 3, Northwestern Bank 1; Shadowline 3, Mountain Lumber 1.
Scoring
Shadowline — Judy Triplett 181, Mildred Stephenson 153.

Mountain Lumber — Georgia Smitherman 212, Gilma Brown 185.
Northwestern Bank — Ruby Smith 192, Jean Cook 164.
Watauga Savings — Leota Triplett 174, Mary Lee Gregg 153.
College Girls—Magie Matthews 161, Jackie Lingerfelt 148.
Boone Drug—Pat Light 171, Jane Greene 170.

Standings
TEAMS W L
Watauga Savings 17 11
Northwestern Bank 17 11
Shadowline 15 13
Boone Drug 13 15
Mountain Lumber 12 16
College Girls 10 18

Church League
Results: First Presbyterian 3, Perkinsville Baptist 1; Rumples Ramblers 4, Rumples Racers 0; First Methodist and First Baptist, postponed.
Scoring
Rumples—Rev. Blake Brinkhoff 176, Sid Greene 168.
Racers—Charles Craig 169, Ray Edmisten 153.
First Presbyterian — George Arney 178, David Spainhour 177.
Perkinsville Baptist—Glenn Cottrell 216, Tom Greene 202.

Standings
TEAMS W L
First Presbyterian 22 10
Perkinsville Baptist 20 12
First Baptist 15 13
First Methodist 14 14
Rumples Ramblers 14 18
Rumples Racers 7 25

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RIVERSIDE, CAL. January 20

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MONTE CARLO January 23

The 63 1/2 Falcon V-8 Sprint made their debut with a fantastic showing in the 2,500-mile Monte Carlo Rally. Through Europe's worst winter weather they placed 1st and 2nd in class. Besides this... one Sprint defeated every entrant in the Rally's six special stages.

PURE OIL TRIALS January 27

In a competition designed to test all-around performance, Fords were overall winners in Class I and Class II in the Pure Oil Performance Trials at Dayton. Their total performance design added up to most total points in gas economy, acceleration and braking events.

DAYTONA, FLA. February 24

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