

History of the Turf Club: 1996 - Present

Trips

- Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore, MD (1997, 2000, 2001)
- Huntingdon Valley Golf Course, Huntingdon Valley, PA (1997)
- Golf Industry Show (GCSAA) Anaheim (2007)
- GCSAA National Conference, Orlando (2005)
- GCSAA National Conference, Atlanta (2003)
- Pine Valley Golf Course, Clemeton, NJ (1997, 2002)
- Jericho National Golf Club, New Hope, PA (1998, 1999)
- Huntsville Golf Course, Wilkes Barre, PA (1998)
- Saucon Valley Country Club, Bethlehem, PA (2000, 2005)
- USGA Museum and Testing Facility, Far Hills, NJ (1998, 2001)
- Philadelphia Country Club, Conshohocken, PA (2000)
- Gulph Mills Country Club, King of Prussia, PA (2002)
- Wren Dale Golf Club, Hershey, PA (2003)
- Bethpage State Park Golf Courses, Bethpage, NY (2003)
- Citizens Bank Park (Phillies), Phila., PA (4/04, 10/04, 2006)
- Sports Turf Managers Association conference (2006, 2007)
- Wilmington Country Club (2007)

Speakers

- John Lavin, Scotts Turf Co. (1997)
- Tom Drayer, Phila. Turf Company, Turf Equipment (1997)
- John Segui, Past president of GCSAA (1998, 2003)
- Howard Eyre, DelVal, Turf and Trees (1998, 2000)
- John Ginnetti, DelVal, Motivating employees (1998)
- Jamie Sharp, Brickman Group, landscape management Co.(1998, 2002)
- Joel Simmons, Earthworks Co. (1998)
- Jim Blaukovich, Golf course architect (1998, 2004)
- American Golf Corp., Mr. Hannigan, golf course management Co. (1999)
- Shaun Henry, Supt. Wyoming Valley CC, Starting your career on a golf course (1999)
- Mike Ellis, DELVAL, Writing a resume (1999)
- Darin Bevard, USGA Green Section Agronomist (2000)
- Dr. Doug Linde, DelVal (1998, 1999, 2000)
- Joe Owsik, Supt. Philmont CC, A career as a superintendent (2001)
- Tim DeBaufre, Golf Pro Emeritus Great Bay GC, Pro-Supt. relations (2001)
- Scott Guiser, Bucks County Extension Agent, Pesticide Licensing (2001)

- Paul R. Latshaw, former superintendent at Augusta, Winged Foot, Congressional, Riviera. What it takes to succeed as a Supt. (2001)
- Dr. James Baird, USGA Green Section Agronomist (2002)
- Andrew Green, McDonald & Sons, golf course builder (2003)
- Jim Koontz, Field Manager, Cumberland Valley School District (2004)
- Stan Zontek, USGA Green Section Agronomist (2005)
- Chip Kern, Shearon Golf, build and maintain golf courses (2007)

Activities

- A-day hayrides (1997, 1998, 1999)
- A-day straw maze (2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005)
- A-day soil pits (2006)
- A-day mini-golf hole (2007)
- Pride and Polish
 - 1998 – Paint outside of Turf research shed
 - 1999 – Paint inside of Turf research shed
 - 2001 – Paint outside of Turf research shed
 - 2002 - Clean-up putting green surrounds
 - 2003 - Paint outside of Turf research shed
 - 2005 - Paint outside of Turf research shed
 - 2006 - Clean-up Farm Machinery Building/putting green
 - 2007 - Paint outside of Turf research shed/clean Farm Machinery Building
- Bowl-a-thon (1999, 2001, 2002)
- Homecoming parade float (1999)
- Eastern PA turf conference, Valley Forge, PA (1997 to present)
- Golf outing at Fairways GC (2005, 2006, 2007)
- Community Service - Limeport Stadium - field maintenance (2005)
- Charity fundraiser - Uno's restaurant and Habitat for Humanity (2006)
- Hosted a 4-H Club Turf field day (2007)

Fundraisers

- 50/50 raffle – raised about \$250 (1997)
- A-Day participation (1997, 1999-2007)
- Shirt, hat, and wind-shirt sales \$200 (1997 to present)
- Apple Picking at DeVal (2004, 2005)
- Candy sale (2005, 2006, 2007)
- Lowes - Blue Yellow Product

Past Presidents

- 1996-97 Jason Gordon

- 1997-98 Josh Gehman
- 1998-99 Mike Bird
- 1999-00 Steve Saxe
- 2000-01 Ben Kovacs/Phil White
- 2001-02 Steve McDonald
- 2002-03 Gabe Wochley
- 2003-04 Joe Lynch
- 2004-05 Ben Polimer
- 2005-06 Anthony Garzia
- 2006-07 Anthony Garzia

Founding members 1996-97

- Jason Gordon - President
- Shaun Henry - Vice president
- Alison Flynn (Robinson) - Treasurer
- Gerry Carr - Secretary
- Derrick Hudson
- Eric Demurat
- Kyle Kauffman
- Chris Butler
- Ed Highland
- Ryan Rockovits