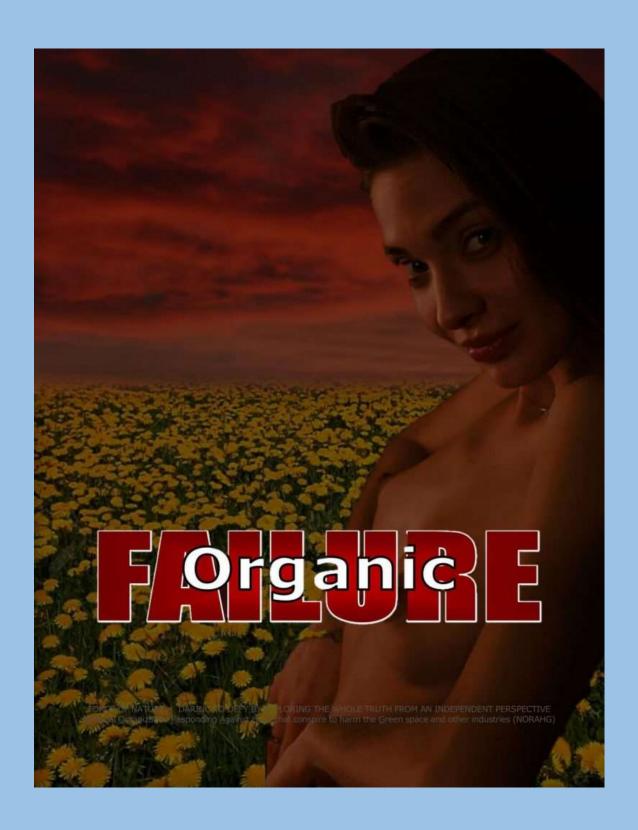
Failures Of An Organic Golf Course - Vineyard Golf Club Medieval & Ineffective Practices Of Organic Pesticide-Free Maintenance - 2021 07 29

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The Vineyard Effect

The Golf Industry Must Discredit Facilities
Like Vineyard That Embrace The Medieval
& Ineffective Practices Of « Organic »
& « Pesticide-Free » Maintenance

Vineyard's Prohibition —

Vineyard Golf Club is the only « organic » & « pesticide-free » golf course in America.

Vineyard has self-imposed prohibition against so-called synthetic pesticides.

This prohibition was adopted because of a false-perception about the uncertainty of pesticides [?].

This arbitrary prohibition was decreed by an ill-informed & possibly corrupt local county commission.

In fact, there is no uncertainty about pesticides, & no prohibition was ever necessary.

National regulatory agencies, world-wide, have found that pest control products do not present risks of concern to human health or the environment when used according to label directions.

The Vineyard Effect —

Only the ultra-wealthy elite golfers at Vineyard are able to afford « *organic* » & « *pesticide-free* » maintenance practices.

These practices have led to what is known as the Vineyard Effect or the Vineyard Syndrome.

This is because maintaining Vineyard costs as much as Augusta National Golf Club, if not more.

Augusta is one of the most expensive golf facilities in the world - & the least typical golf course on the planet - with demands of ultra-high quality playing conditions & aesthetics & perfection.

Vineyard also demands of ultra-high quality playing conditions & aesthetics, but with perfect 100 per cent prohibition, & at a cost of millions & millions of dollars that have been squandered on this « *organic* » & « *pesticide-free* » failure!

« *Organic* » golf can only thrive when staggering & unlimited amounts of money are provided by either government hand-outs & / or ultra-wealthy members.

Adopting the Vineyard Effect is financially-impossible for main-stream golf courses.

Vineyard's Enviro-Profit —

Vineyard is a pesticide-free golf course because of demands from local residents — not for the protection of the environment — but in return for being given staggering amounts of money.

Vineyard was allowed to be built only after nearby residents were given millions & millions of dollars in membership benefits, for almost free.

Their interference in partisan politics & public policy led to virtually zero-cost membership benefits as a result of the Vineyard Effect.

Vineyard's Failures —

Vineyard has suffered failure after failure after failure as it performs amateur & non-scientific experimentation that hopelessly relies upon trial & error.

Vineyard officials allege having more & more success every year. [?!?!]

In other words, there has been nothing but failure year after year after year, all because of the Vineyard Effect.

Vineyard's « organic » & « pesticide-free » practices, like back-breaking manual weed-picking, are medieval & ineffective failures that have never worked, have been totally ineffective, have been staggeringly expensive, & have been discouraging for employees.

The Vineyard Effect has regressed maintenance practices by 100 years.

Vineyard's Attack —

Validating the Vineyard Effect, a.k.a. the Vineyard Syndrome, as a template for imposing pesticide-free maintenance represents a terrible attack against main-stream superintendents & their facilities.

The golf industry must discredit facilities, like Vineyard, that embrace the medieval & ineffective practices of « *organic* » & « *pesticide-free* » maintenance.

The Vineyard Effect must be stopped, forever.

For Even More Information, Go To The Following Link ...

Failures Of Organic Golf Courses

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Vineyard Is The Only « Organic » Golf Course In America

What Is An « *Organic* » Golf Course, & Why Aren't There More Of Them?

Because Organic Does Not Work

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Vineyard's « Organic » Program Represents A Terrible Attack Against Superintendents & Their Facilities

« ORGANIC » IN AMERICA —

Vineyard Is The Only « Organic » Golf Course In America

It Utilizes Medieval Maintenance Practices That Can Only Work When Staggering & Unlimited Amounts Of Money Are Provided By Ultra-Wealthy Members

Both Augusta National Golf Club & Vineyard Golf Club Are Only For The Ultra-Wealthy Elite Golfers

AT THE INFAMOUS VINEYARD GOLF CLUB —

« ORGANIC » golf courses also remain the rare [EXTREMELY RARE] EXCEPTION.

There is ONLY ONE golf course in the United States that is 100 per cent « ORGANIC », the [INFAMOUS] Vineyard Golf Club on Martha's Vineyard in Massachusetts, an isolated island community known for its sensitive ecosystem and strict environmental statutes.

[...]

Given golf's status quo, « ORGANIC PESTICIDE-FREE GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE » is TRANSFORMATIONAL [I.E. LEADS TO THE SELF-PROHIBITION AGAINST PESTICIDES].

Courses like the [INFAMOUS] Vineyard Golf Club, that have been « ORGANIC » since their inception, are PROOF [?!?!?!?!] that in the right context and with INTENSE COMMITMENT [I.E. MILLIONS & MILLIONS OF DOLLARS], « ORGANIC » golf can THRIVE [?!?!?!?!?!].

« Organic » Golf Can Only Thrive With An Intense Commitment Of Staggering & Unlimited Amounts Of Money Provided By Either Government Hand-Outs & / Or Ultra-Wealthy Members

America's Main-Stream Golf Facilities Cannot Afford This #@!!% « Organic » & « Pesticide-Free » Nonsense

Background Information

« ORGANIC » IS BEING FAKED —

There is ONLY ONE « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » golf course in America — Vineyard Golf Club, in Martha's Vineyard, USA.

Remember — all others are NOT « ORGANIC » golf courses.

They are « FAKE-ORGANIC ».

They practice so-called « HYBRID PESTICIDE USE » that includes the regular use of conventional pest control products, when it suits their purposes.

Ostensively, conventional products will be applied when paying-golfers are NOT present on the property, or when the facilities are closed.

The so-called success of « HYBRID PESTICIDE USE » maintenance is promoted by « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS » with UNVERIFIABLE success stories.

There is NO industry & NO regulatory oversight concerning any allegations concerning « ORGANIC » or « PESTICIDE-FREE » or « HYBRID PESTICIDE USE » maintenance.

Without oversight, « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS » can say whatever they want, & they can LIE with impunity, especially about any flagrant use of pesticides.

DEFINING THE « ORGANIC » GOLF COURSE —

According to « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » Jeff Carlson, at Vineyard Golf Club —

We need to get a set of guidelines and criteria for what organic golf really means, and we're working on it, but basically it means NO PESTICIDES OR FERTILIZERS or other products can be used whose active ingredient was SYNTHETICALLY PRODUCED.

Observers consider Carlson as THE FIRST PROMINENT « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » who has, perhaps unwittingly, conspired to self-impose PROHIBITION against pest control products used at Vineyard.

Carlson may have also conspired against the STANDARDS for SCIENCE-BASED & TIME-TESTED & CORRECT maintenance practices.

Carlson's motivation has fueled his dishonest-conclusion that his wife's ailment was due to pesticide exposure, &, sadly Carlson's attitude may have ensured that her condition would never be properly diagnosed & treated.

This led Carlson to eventually self-impose RECKLESS & ARBITRARY PROHIBITION against conventional pest control products used at Vineyard Golf Club.

After decades of benefiting from the golf industry's PESTICIDE BAN EXCEPTION STATUS, some « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT », like Carlson, have ridiculously decided to self-impose their own PROHIBITIONS, & convert their golf courses to « FAKE-ORGANIC ».

Observers are aghast that « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS », like Carlson, have been invalidating & attacking the PESTICIDE BAN EXCEPTION STATUS that allowed the golf industry to avoid being subjected to PROHIBITION for a generation, thanks to the unbelievable lobbying by Mr William H Gathercole in the 1990s.

There is NO industry, or regulatory, oversight concerning any of Vineyard's allegations.

Vineyard's « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » maintenance is promoted by its « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » with UNVERIFIABLE success stories.

In essence, Vineyard's « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » can say whatever he wants, & he can LIE with impunity, especially about any flagrant use of pesticides.

Observers agree that « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS » are NOT paid to be « ORGANIC-ACTIVISTS » — they are paid to satisfy paying-golfers with HIGH-QUALITY PLAYING CONDITIONS & AESTHETICS.

« ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » represent the GREATEST THREATS to the modern golf industry.

Overall, « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS » simply DO NOT deserve to work in the industry that they betray.

EXPLORE THE FOLLOWING SELECTED LINK ...

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Background Information

THE FAILURE OF « ORGANIC » AT VINEYARD —

The INFAMOUS Vineyard Golf Club has been « ORGANIC » since its inception.

However, Vineyard does not represent PROOF that « ORGANIC » golf can THRIVE [?!?!?!?!?!].

« *ORGANIC* » means that Vineyard has self-imposed PROHIBITION against conventional pest control products, rendering it « *PESTICIDE-FREE* ».

Vineyard has required an INTENSE FINANCIAL COMMITMENT [I.E. MILLIONS & MILLIONS OF DOLLARS] , otherwise its « ORGANIC » practices WOULD HAVE NEVER WORKED without STAGGERING & UNLIMITED AMOUNTS OF MONEY that were provided by its ultra-wealthy members.

Sadly, « *ORGANIC* » is seen to be a FAILURE because Vineyard's maintenance practices have REGRESSED by 100 years.

Vineyard has been forced to utilize COSTLY & MEDIEVAL & INEFFECTIVE practices, such as —

- Cleaning weeds from visitors' shoes before entering the golf course Failure ?
- Killing weeds with boiling water Failure
- Manually removing pests with back-breaking & weed-picking labour Failure
- Removing moss with kitchen dish detergent Failure

Sadly, only the ULTRA-WEALTHY ELITE GOLFERS at Vineyard are able to afford « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE ».

« ORGANIC » means that it would be FINANCIALLY-IMPOSSIBLE for main-stream golf courses to afford this #@!!% FAILURE ?!?!

VINEYARD COSTS AS MUCH AS AUGUSTA —

Vineyard is a private golf club - 290 regular-members must pay an initiation fee of 350,000-dollars with annual dues of 12,000-dollars.

By comparison, initiation fees for Augusta National Golf Club costs between 100,000 & 300,000-dollars with annual dues of less than 30,000-dollars.

Augusta is one of the most expensive golf facilities in the world - & the least typical golf course on the planet - with demands of ULTRA-HIGH QUALITY PLAYING CONDITIONS & AESTHETICS & PERFECTION.

In essence, the revenues for both Augusta & Vineyard are COMPARABLE.

Both Augusta & Vineyard are only for the ULTRA-WEALTHY ELITE GOLFERS.

As a condition of Vineyard's original construction, 125 residents used environmental issues as a pretext for being accepted as island-members with NO initiation fee & with annual dues of only 400-dollars.

The total annual revenue for Vineyard is 3,530,000-dollars, most of which is spent on its « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » failure.

This would be FINANCIALLY-IMPOSSIBLE for most main-stream golf courses.

In America, the average main-stream maintenance costs ranges from 500,000-dollars per year for a daily-fee public course to 1,000,000-dollars per year for a private club.

America's main-stream golf facilities cannot afford this #@!!% « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » nonsense!

EXPLORE THE FOLLOWING SELECTED LINKS ...

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« ORGANIC » IN CANADA —

None Of Canada's Golf Courses Have Adopted A Policy Of « *No Pesticides* »

Canadian Conditions Are Not Conducive For Pesticide-Free Maintenance

Background Information

THE FAILURE OF « ORGANIC » IN CANADA —

What is the golf industry's official position statements on pesticides? —

- Golf courses have NOT adopted a policy of « NO PESTICIDES ».
- Canadian conditions are NOT conducive for pesticide-free maintenance.
- Acceptable playing conditions can only be achieved through use of pest control products.
- These products are a necessity due to the requirement for professional turfgrasses grown in difficult climate conditions.

Consequently, there are NO « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » golf courses in Canada.

In Canada, « ACTIVIST-EXTREMISTS », like David Suzuki, have been falsely-alleging that « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » maintenance has become a TEMPLATE that serve as an example for the golf industry. [?!?!]

This is RIDICULOUS & WRONG.

Canada's main-stream golf facilities cannot afford the #@!!% failures of « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » !

They inevitably become victims of the following problems —

- Bankruptcy
- Business failures
- Inadequate playing conditions
- Receivership
- Unhappy paying-golfers
- Unplayable garbage dump playing surfaces that look like death

« *ORGANIC* » becomes an ABYSMAL OPERATIONAL FAILURE unless STAGGERING & UNLIMITED AMOUNTS OF MONEY becomes available from either government hand-outs or ultra-wealthy elite golfers.

There have been three, yes only THREE, golf courses that have pretended being « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » in Canada —

- Blackburn Meadows Golf Club Failure
- Brigadoon Golf Course Failure
- Fiddler's Green Golf Course Failure

They represented 0.15 per cent of all facilities — there are approximately two thousand mainstream golf courses across Canada.

These three are « ORGANIC » examples of ABYSMAL OPERATIONAL FAILURES.

They are now CLOSED & GONE.

They have GONE-OUT-OF-BUSINESS, forever.

Except Brigadoon, which no longer pretends to be « PESTICIDE-FREE ».

Predictably, Canada's main-stream golf facilities cannot afford the #@!!% « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » nonsense !

EXPLORE THE FOLLOWING SELECTED LINKS ...

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« ORGANIC » ENVIRO-PROFIT —

Vineyard Golf Club Was Allowed To Be Built Only After Nearby Residents Were Given Millions & Millions Of Dollars In Membership Benefits, For Almost Free

Their Interference In Partisan Politics & Public Policy Led To Enviro-Profit

AT THE INFAMOUS VINEYARD GOLF CLUB —

Construction was completed in 2002, and was contingent on the golf course being « ORGANIC ». [?!?!]

Community members [MOCK-] FEARED that a golf course meant pesticides, and pesticides meant POLLUTION [?!?!] of the island's only aquifer.

The land area was also permitted for a 148-lot housing sub-division, so the « ORGANIC » golf course was given the green light by the local conservation commission.

Vineyard Is Pesticide-Free Because Of Demands
From Local Residents ... Not For The Protection
Of The Environment ... But In Return For Being
Given Millions & Millions Of Dollars In Enviro-Profit

ENVIRO-PROFIT AT VINEYARD —

Who says being an ultra-wealthy resident living near the INFAMOUS Vineyard Golf Club is not profitable ?!?!

In reality, the INFAMOUS Vineyard Golf Club serves as a TERRIBLE TEMPLATE for FEEDING PROFIT to ultra-wealthy residents who own homes adjacent to this golf facility, including former President Barrack Hussein Obama.

What is the cost of membership at the Vineyard Golf Club ?!?!

For ordinary golfers, the initiation fee is 350,000-dollars with annual dues of 12,000-dollars.

For the coercive left-wing enviro-extremists who own homes near Vineyard were given, yes GIVEN, millions & millions of dollars in membership benefits, FOR ALMOST FREE.

According to « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » Jeff Carlson —

There was a condition that we had to have 125 LOW-COST MEMBERSHIPS for islanders.

As a condition of its original construction, 125 residents used environmental issues as a pretext for being accepted as members with NO initiation fee & with annual dues of only 400-dollars.

Unfortunately, this is the price that Vineyard was forced to GIVE these left-wing extremist-residents who demanded a golf course free of conventional pesticides & the supposed UNCERTAINTY [?!?!?!?!] that accompanies their use.

Who thinks the ultra-wealthy residents living near Vineyard Golf Club really care about the environment ?!?!

« *ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT* » Jeff Carlson has explained the extremist-residents' campaign against the construction of Vineyard —

It was very controversial to build a new golf course here.

It was the first new one on the island for 30 years.

The opposition was very strong, and it was for primarily environmental reasons. [?!?!]

Water quality is the big issue here.

There's a single-source aguifer for the whole island.

They felt that any pesticides would poison the water. [?!?!]

[...]

You know, it's very hard with pesticides to say it isn't.

It's like trying to prove a negative.

It's a difficult thing to say.

Pesticides have chemicals in them, and if the chemicals get into the water in certain concentrations, they can cause problems.

Do they?

No.

They haven't been shown to do that.

Golf course superintendents use very small amounts of pesticides.

So generally, properly used, it's virtually impossible to affect the ground-water, but « VIRTUALLY » is not a 100-per cent guarantee.

And that's where the opponents were coming from.

We had trouble with that argument because we could never say categorically that a pesticide would never get in the ground-water in quantities that would cause a problem.

We couldn't absolutely guarantee that, so they didn't want it.

Period.

There wasn't going to be a lot of discussion about it.

The opposition was so strong that they even wrote folk songs in opposition to the golf course.

Even more outrageous, they were allowed to sing them to the kids in the schools on the island.

EXPLORE THE FOLLOWING SELECTED LINKS ...

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THE FIRST ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT —

The Golf Industry Must Discredit ActivistSuperintendents Who Embrace The Medieval
& Ineffective Practices Of « Organic »
& « Pesticide-Free » Maintenance

AT THE INFAMOUS VINEYARD GOLF CLUB —

Jeff Carlson, arguably the pioneer of « <code>ORGANIC</code> » golf and the course's [<code>ACTIVIST-</code>] superintendent until 2015, admitted in an interview with Golf Digest that, at first, he thought the undertaking might be <code>IMPOSSIBLE</code> [<code>UNLESS STAGGERING</code> & <code>UNLIMITED AMOUNTS OF MONEY ARE SQUANDERED</code>], mostly because no one had done it before [... <code>BECAUSE IT IS A HUGE OPERATIONAL FAILURE</code>].

Background Information

THE FIRST PROMINENT ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT —

The first superintendent at the INFAMOUS Vineyard Golf Club, Jeff Carlson, was the recipient of a trade association Environmental Leaders Award & Environmental Stewardship Award.

Seemingly, these awards were some ridiculous form of recognition for conspiring against the STANDARDS for SCIENCE-BASED & TIME-TESTED & CORRECT maintenance practices.

Unfortunately, these awards applauded the implementation of COSTLY & MEDIEVAL & INEFFECTIVE maintenance practices that COULD NEVER WORK.

These awards also celebrated the SQUANDERING OF STAGGERING & UNLIMITED AMOUNTS OF MONEY that it would be FINANCIALLY-IMPOSSIBLE for most main-stream golf courses.

These awards validated that only the ULTRA-WEALTHY ELITE GOLFERS at Vineyard are able to afford « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE ».

How can any trade association give awards for this #@!!% « ORGANIC » nonsense ?!?!

Observers consider Carlson as THE FIRST PROMINENT « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » who has, perhaps unwittingly, conspired to impose PROHIBITION against pest control products used by the golf industry.

Carlson may have also conspired against the STANDARDS for SCIENCE-BASED & TIME-TESTED & CORRECT maintenance practices.

Consequently, the golf industry's trade associations must vigorously embark on a massive public relations campaign to DISCREDIT « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS » who embrace « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » & other MEDIEVAL & INEFFECTIVE maintenance practices.

Additionally, the golf industry must also establish policies for EXPELLING from its trade associations those golf facilities that use mis-leading & destructive terms like « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » in their advertisements & web-sites.

These golf facilities are not with US ... they are against US.

They serve absolutely NO useful purpose to the golf industry.

Jeff Carlson, THE FIRST PROMINENT « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT », should receive no further awards.

Background Information

MOTIVATION FOR CONSPIRING AGAINST SCIENCE-BASED PRACTICES?

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Jeff Carlson has explained how his wife's ill-diagnosed AILMENT served as a pretext for his becoming an « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » at Vineyard Golf Club —

This is a true story. [?!?!]

Back when I first started we still had some heavy-metal-based fungicides.

Cadmium-based, mercury-based fungicides.

I was at a little golf club, 1979, no longer exists.

This was a small operation, no pesticide shed.

[IN OTHER WORDS, CARLSON WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR A LOW-SAFETY OPERATION]

I was mixing pesticides, a mercury-based powder, out back of the club house and right next to the house that I lived in.

[CARLSON WAS CLEARLY IN VIOLATION OF PESTICIDE LAWS]

It was just my wife, Kathy, and I; we'd just gotten married.

My wife is a red-head, and she has a beautiful, thick head of hair.

And in the middle of the summer, HER HAIR STARTED FALLING OUT. [?!?!]

Large pieces of it.

And this had never happened before.

And she was flipping out.

So she went to the doctor, and they did a bunch of blood tests, and they told her she had HEAVY-METAL POISONING. [?!?!]

So I stopped using that stuff.

[CARLSON SHOULD HAVE MOVED HIS WIFE OUT OF THE HOME WHICH, OSTENSIBLY, WAS CONTAMINATED WITH UNCERTAIN CHEMICALS]

But most pesticides today are really quite safe.

Over 40 years ago, Carlson's wife's hair started to fall out.

His immediate dishonest-conclusion was pesticide exposure.

Hair loss has many causes.

So, here are some of the various causes of excessive hair shedding —

- Anabolic steroids
- Birth control pills
- Chemotherapy
- Childbirth
- Compulsive hair pulling
- COVID-19 long-term fever
- Diabetes
- Excess vitamin A
- Extreme physical or emotional stress
- Harsh hair styling
- Hereditary hair loss
- Hormonal imbalance
- Inflammatory bowel disease
- Liver disease
- Low iron levels
- Low protein diet
- Lupus auto-immune disease
- Medications
- Nutritional deficiencies
- Pregnancy
- Quick weight loss
- Renal failure
- Scalp infection

- Stressors such as illness
- Thyroid disorders

Carlson is both stupid & dishonest, & has NO compassion for his wife.

By dishonestly-concluding that his wife's ailment was due to pesticide exposure, Carlson ensured that her condition would never be properly diagnosed & treated.

Consequently, Carlson's wife suffered because of his dishonest-conclusion!

And now, Carlson seeks comfort by being dishonest against pesticides.

He pretends that blood tests were performed, & yet, never publicly posts any medical report for review.

Nor does he provide a medical report on the state of his wife's overall health in the last 40 years.

Most likely, Carlson will refuse to divulge any additional information for reasons of privacy.

In fact, he waived his right to confidentiality the moment he began EXPLOITING his wife's ailment for the purpose of conspiring to arbitrarily prohibit against pest control products used in the golf industry.

He wants to ban pesticides, & hence, destroy the people who depend on them.

The golf industry needs more than just his words on such an important issue.

Besides, reasonable people know that illnesses are NOT caused by pesticide exposure, especially with by-standers.

Carlson is NOT reasonable.

He is stupid & dishonest.

All he wants to do is destroy other people's lives with his dishonest-conclusion.

Are the majority of main-stream golf course superintendents just as stupid & dishonest as Carlson ?!?!

No.

Main-stream superintendents will not abandon their science-based & time-tested & correct maintenance practices in favour of medieval & ineffective doctrines preached by Carlson.

Moreover, Carlson does not think that true facts are required in order to lay blame against pesticides.

That's because Carlson does not think.

And, he has NO compassion about his own wife.

EXPLORE THE FOLLOWING SELECTED LINK ...

√ ORGANIC GOLF COURSES Vineyard GC — The Golf-Course Superintendent — Jeff Carlson — Reference LINK

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CORRECT MAINTENANCE PRACTICES —

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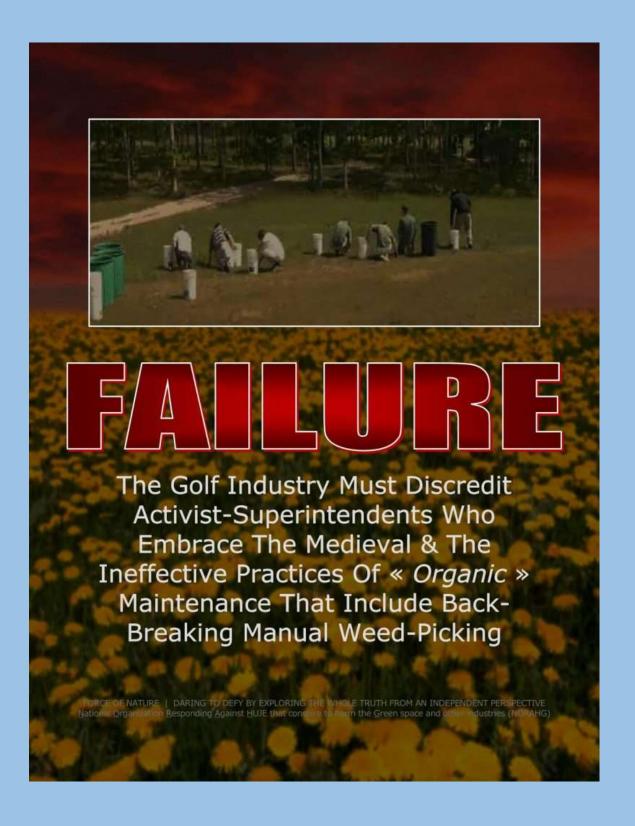
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FAILURE AFTER FAILURE AFTER FAILURE —

Vineyard Has Suffered Failure After
Failure After Failure As It Performs Amateur
& Non-Scientific Experimentation That
Hopelessly Relies Upon Trial & Error

Medieval Maintenance Practices, Like Manual Weed-Picking, Have Been Totally Ineffective, Staggeringly Expensive, As Well As Discouraging For Employees

AT THE INFAMOUS VINEYARD GOLF CLUB —

Through « A LOT OF TRIAL AND ERROR AND EXPERIMENTATION » [I.E. FAILURE AFTER FAILURE], Jeff Carlson PROVED [HOW ?] that the course wouldn't just survive without pesticides — it could THRIVE [?!!?] .

According to Carlson —

I am just so SURPRISED that so much of our golf course is UNAFFECTED by not using pesticides. [?!!??!!?]

To see a course without any at all is something I'm really proud of.

MAINTENANCE PRACTICES AT VINEYARD —

The INFAMOUS Vineyard Golf Club, in Martha's Vineyard, USA, alleges that it uses NO synthetic pesticides & NO synthetic fertilizers, making it supposedly the ONLY « ORGANIC » golf course in America.

As an « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » golf course, Vineyard has been forced to use several MEDIEVAL maintenance practices that are outmoded, ancient, & / or CANNOT possibly control pests effectively & economically.

However, some practices have been effective.

These practices include —

- Boiling water Hazardous & ineffective failure
- Cleaning golf shoes Sanitation procedure & ineffective failure ?
- Compost tea concoctions Illegal & ineffective failures
- Detergent Ineffective failures
- Dew removal Effective
- Greens rolling Effective
- Irrigation reduction Effective
- Manual weed-picking Mechanical & ineffective & discouraging failure
- Milky spores Biological & ineffective failures
- Nematodes Biological & ineffective failures
- Sulphur Illegal & ineffective failure

Several times, Vineyard has REGRESSED its maintenance practices by 100 years.

These practices WILL NEVER WORK at Vineyard.

They WILL NEVER control infestations of recurring invasive weeds & destructive insects & harmful diseases.

They will NEVER reduce, & they will NEVER eliminate, the need for conventional pest control products.

EXPLORE THE FOLLOWING SELECTED LINKS ...

 $\sqrt{-}$ VINEYARD GC - \$350,000 Course Initiation Fee - LINK

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√ — NEMATODE INSECTICIDES — Marginally Effective — Better To Do Nothing — LINK

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√ — GREEN ALTERNATIVES — Bogus & Dismal Failures — LINK

http://pesticidetruths.com/toc/green-alternatives-bogus-dismal-failures/

WEED MAINTENANCE PRACTICES AT VINEYARD —

At the INFAMOUS Vineyard Golf Club, HAZARDOUS & INEFFECTIVE alternatives WILL NEVER control weeds that damage turf —

- Boiling water alternative Hazardous & ineffective failure
- Cleaning golf shoes Ineffective for weed control?
- Kitchen dish detergent Ineffective for moss control
- Manual weed-picking Ineffective for weed control

Alternatives, like MANUAL WEED-PICKING, WILL NEVER control weeds.

MANUAL WEED-PICKING is a back-breaking practice that is TOTALLY INEFFECTIVE — it would be better to do NOTHING rather than rely upon this alternative to conventional herbicides.

MANUAL WEED-PICKING at the INFAMOUS Vineyard Golf Club serves as a TERRIBLE TEMPLATE for inflicting employee ABUSE & DISCOURAGEMENT by converting its labour force into a group of mere weed-pickers who are forced to remove hundreds-of-thousands of weed pests manually, after months & months of back-breaking punishment.

Because of MANUAL WEED-PICKING at Vineyard, there is no longer a need to employ golf course technicians with professional training — all they need to know how to do is bend over & pull or scoop.

Only the ULTRA-WEALTHY ELITE GOLFERS at Vineyard are able to afford golf courses with MANUAL WEED-PICKING, at a STUNNING & EXORBITANT COST of \$2800 PER ACRE.

Clearly, Vineyard's self-imposed PROHIBITION against conventional pest control products is a BOGUS. INFERIOR. & DISMAL FAILURE.

MANUAL WEED PICKING AT VINEYARD —

« ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » Jeff Carlson has also been very clear about the fact that MANUAL WEED-PICKING has been STAGGERINGLY EXPENSIVE as well as DISCOURAGING for employees —

So, cultural practices, of course, everybody got, especially a lot of the permitting agencies that had little yards, they said, well, you'll be able to handle, we don't worry, EVERYTHING WILL BE FINE [?!?!].

So this is hand waving.

I did the math on it, I think if you can keep them going fairly well, it's about \$2800 an acre.

Now look at what the price is, for a pre-emergent herbicide per acre.

Now, that doesn't include the labor of spraying, and I agree, so let's go to \$100 an acre versus \$2800 AN ACRE, the math just isn't there.

For pre-emergent weed control. I mean, that's why pre-emergent weed control is in here, so that we can like kill everything in the world, reimagine weed control is, is something that SAVES our industry and the ag industry MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, so that's why it's there.

But you know, we have to do something about it.

It's just, it was frustrating.

It's hard to get, you know, people to really stay focused on that.

But we have turned it into a, WE'VE CONCENTRATED OUR HAND WEEDING ON PLAYING SURFACES AND LANDING AREAS.

And what we do, we've got it down to about, I mean, we don't have a large pesticide number, but A LARGE PART OF OUR NUMBER is taken up in this [I.E. MANUAL WEED-PICKING], in this in this labor number, what I do is I flag out areas.

So I'll section out a fairway with flags in the morning and then send the guys in to do it [I.E. MANUAL WEED-PICKING].

And just like you would expect they do if there's a weed that are outside that line of the flags, it doesn't get pulled out until the next time we move the flags.

That's just human nature.

[...]

Call me later, you know, they, they'd be there for a MONTH-AND-A-HALF, and they'd be VERY DISCOURAGED [AT THE BACK-BREAKING WORK OF MANUAL WEED-PICKING].

So, take it out in sections, see something they can finish in the course of the day.

What's that ?

We use, we use [...] a WEEDER now [...] it's got a wooden handle steel, it's got a little fork on the end, little like, like a snake's tongue.

And it just pop it out with that, pulls it right out.

And they have it.

Yeah, they'll pull in and you know, if they're pulling out, pulling out routes that long, and they cut that pop right out.

And then they'd have a little bit of soil and seed mix and they just drop a little bit in the hole, pop next, and drop in the hole, pop the next one, and that's it, and then they're gone.

[...]

So I try to make it [I.E. MANUAL WEED-PICKING] a social event, as best I can.

CRABGRASS CAN'T BE WEEDED, we had to get someone to go to play and be here.

Background Information

SANITATION PROCEDURE AT VINEYARD —

Jeff Carlson, Vineyard's « *ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT* », has explained how the SANITATION PROCEDURE is performed —

We do make our members keep their own shoes there [AT THE CLUB] .

We make our guests [...] WE STERILIZE THEIR SHOES. [?!?!]

So, we have a shoe guy, hates doing it, and he has to, like you know, clean up all the shoes when the guests come in, and stuff like that.

So [...] but sometimes they sneak out in the rain, which you get a lot, and we had to just strip it off [THE PRACTICE GREEN] and re-sod this year.

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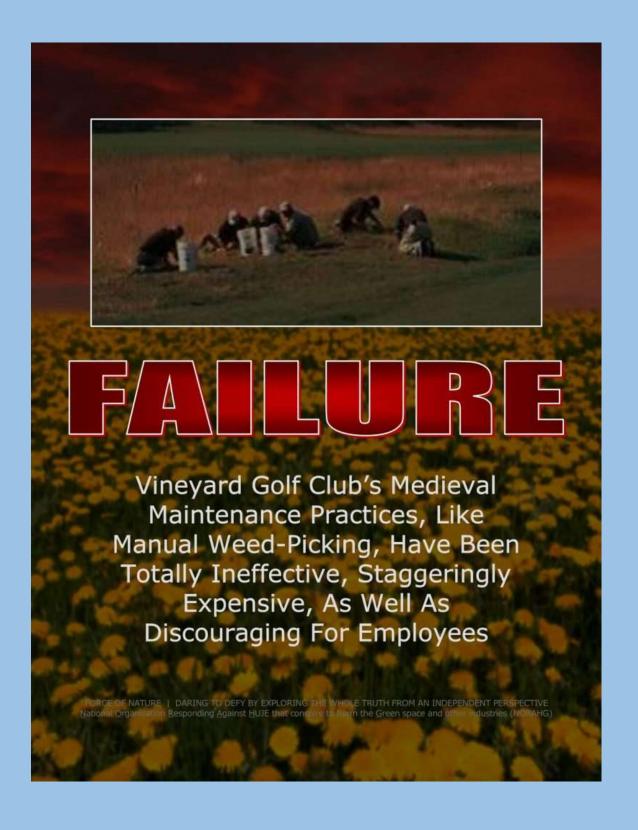
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√ VINEYARD GC Weed Control — Manual Labour — Conventional Pre-Emergent Weed Control Would Save Millions Of Dollars — Bogus Green Alternative — Carlson — Audio Recording — 3.01-Minutes LINK

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SUCCESS BY LOWERING GOLFERS' EXPECTATIONS? —

Vineyard Officials Allege Having More & More Success Every Year [?!?!]

In Other Words, There Has Been Nothing
But Failure Year After Year After Year

Paying-Golfers Must Put-Up & Shut-Up, & Their Expectations Must Be Lowered — They Must Accept Unplayable Garbage Dump Playing Surfaces That Look Like Death

AT THE INFAMOUS VINEYARD GOLF CLUB —

I had a conversation with Jeff Carlson's successor, Kevin Banks, who shed a bit more light on what actually happens at the club.

Banks studied turfgrass management at University of Massachusetts-Amherst, and, prior to working at the Vineyard, was senior assistant at Nantucket Golf Club.

In other words, he is a turfgrass expert who also wears many other hats (i.e. budgeter, organizer, teacher, etc ...) as superintendent.

Banks explained that « ORGANIC » management requires developing a comprehensive understanding of problems as they arise.

As opposed to a traditional approach that relies on chemical products as quick and easy solutions, Banks and his team « ARE CONSTANTLY FEEDING THE PLANT » nitrogen and water in an attempt to grow it out of disease situations [?!?!], he told Golf Course Management in 2018.

The underlying principle here is that THE HEALTHIER THE TURFGRASS, THE MORE HARDY IT BECOMES, and the less susceptible it is to disease and weed invasion.

Proper moisture and healthy soils are key, and Banks says that he's seen MORE AND MORE SUCCESS EVERY YEAR. [I.E. FAILURE AFTER FAILURE YEAR AFTER YEAR]

He's noticed that the sod that's been growing for five to eight years is in much better shape than any of the new stuff — proof that THE COURSE IS ADAPTING. [?!?!?!]

It Is Not The Role Of Any Superintendent To Dictate Expectations To Golf-Customers Just Because They Are Unable Or Unwilling To Provide What Paying-Golfers Demand ... High-Quality Playing Conditions & Aesthetics

Background Information

SUCCESS BY LOWERING GOLFER EXPECTATIONS? —

« *ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS* » have the IDEAL EXCUSE for failure after failure, year after year — LOWER EXPECTATIONS.

Because of the FAILURE of their #@!!% « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » nonsense, « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT », like Jeff Carlson, have DEMANDED that owners & paying-golfers must SHUT-UP & that their EXPECTATIONS must be LOWERED.

This calls in question « *ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS'* » ability to provide what paying-golfers demand ... HIGH-QUALITY PLAYING CONDITIONS & AESTHETICS.

They minimize the DISASTERS that they have created by describing their « ORGANIC » FAILURES as VISUAL BLEMISHES — I.E. PLAYING SURFACES THAT ARE UGLY & UNPLAYABLE GARBAGE DUMPS THAT LOOK LIKE DEATH.

« ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » Jeff Carlson, at Vineyard Golf Club, has stated that his FAILURE with « ORGANIC » disease control required that golfers CHANGE THEIR PERCEPTIONS & LOWER THEIR EXPECTATIONS —

For fungal diseases, for example, the big issue is leaf wetness.

I do whatever I can to minimize the duration of leaf wetness.

We don't use that much irrigation.

We use wetting agents to remove dew, sand top-dressing on greens; we whip greens and fairways [WHISKING AWAY DEW] .

And the third piece of the puzzle, as important as the other two, is COMMUNICATION [I.E. PROPAGANDA FOR LOWERING EXPECTATIONS], working with our members and explaining this idea of great playability versus VISUAL PERFECTION.

WE TAKE THE FOCUS AWAY FROM HAVING EVERY PIECE OF FAIRWAY AND ROUGH PERFECTLY GREEN.

[PAYING-GOLFERS MUST PUT-UP & SHUT-UP, & THEIR EXPECTATIONS MUST BE LOWERED - THEY MUST ACCEPT UNPLAYABLE GARBAGE DUMP PLAYING SURFACES THAT LOOK LIKE DEATH]

The members have to be on board, or the superintendent wouldn't last too long.

[...]

The [ORGANIC] movement gains momentum only if the golfers support it [... ONLY IF THESE GOLFERS ARE ULTRA-WEALTHY & ARE WILLING TO SPEND MILLIONS & MILLIONS OF DOLLARS PER YEAR] .

Superintendents would be totally supportive of it. [?!??!]

I've noticed a tremendous interest in managing golf courses MORE ORGANICALLY [BUT STILL USING PESTICIDES WITH IMPUNITY] , especially among younger superintendents [WHO DO NOT KNOW ANY BETTER] .

They'd do a great job. [?!??!]

The golf courses would be terrific, but they'd have some VISUAL BLEMISHES [I.E. AREAS THAT ARE UGLY & UNPLAYABLE GARBAGE DUMPS] .

Well, right now they'd all be unemployed [Because Their Organic Maintenance has failed].

Unless the golfer begins to have a Change of Perception and begins to Accept those Blemishes [i.e. ugly & unplayable garbage dump conditions] , and has that same mentality as when he goes to Saint Andrews or Hoylake, and Accepts those conditions [i.e. ugly & unplayable garbage dump conditions] and finds them Charming [?!?!] and has a great round of golf.

Then you can do it [... If ultra-wealthy elite golfers are willing to spend millions & millions of dollars per year] .

The professionals and the tours and golf's hierarchy have to embrace that, too.

The guys who are driving the bus.

Actually, it is NOT the role of any superintendent to dictate EXPECTATIONS to golf-customers just because they are unable or unwilling to provide what paying-golfers demand ... HIGH-QUALITY PLAYING CONDITIONS & AESTHETICS.

While shirking their own responsibilities, « *ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS* » hopes that they can force main-stream superintendents to abandon their SCIENCE-BASED & TIME-TESTED & CORRECT maintenance practices in favour of « *ORGANIC* » & « *PESTICIDE-FREE* » & « *IPM* » & other COSTLY & MEDIEVAL & INEFFECTIVE doctrines.

With only one exception, there are NO « ORGANIC » golf courses — instead, « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS » practices so-called « HYBRID-ORGANIC » maintenance that includes the regular use of conventional pest control products, when it suits them.

In other words, these HYPOCRITES, LIARS, & FRAUDSTERS use pesticides with impunity, & yet, still demand that paying-golfers must SHUT-UP & that their EXPECTATIONS must be LOWERED.

They know that without conventional pest control products, golf courses become PEST-INFESTED & UGLY & UNPLAYABLE GARBAGE DUMPS THAT LOOK LIKE DEATH.

« ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS » also know that they do not have the STAGGERING AMOUNTS OF MONEY that is required for « ORGANIC ».

No one can afford this #@!!% « ORGANIC » nonsense ?!?!

« ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS » know that no one wants to play golf on a #@!!% « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » golf course that is pest-infested & resembles a GARBAGE DUMP THAT LOOKS LIKE DEATH ?!?!

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TURF SPECIES TRANSITION & SANITATION PROCEDURE —

« ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » Jeff Carlson has been very clear about the fact that converting to « ORGANIC » will be a DISASTER unless TURF SPECIES TRANSITION & SANITATION are performed

I touched on grass selection a little bit.

ANNUAL BLUEGRASS [...] we're fortunate we don't have it.

We've been in eight years, we still don't have a half of a per cent [OF ANNUAL BLUEGRASS] on the GREENS .

We have a lot of it [ANNUAL BLUEGRASS] in the some of the COLLARS, which I'm going to show you some shots of.

But ANNUAL BLUEGRASS [...] if you've got a golf course, and you want to go « ORGANIC », you're all excited about it.

And it's a nice old Donald Ross golf course.

And it's got a lot of ANNUAL BLUEGRASS on it, make a real accurate estimate of how much you have, an honest one.

Because if you've got 50 per cent, or more, ANNUAL BLUEGRASS, then you're going to have a DISASTER on your hands if you try to go into an « ORGANIC » management plan.

If you don't think so [...] Bethpage Green [COURSE] .

Talk to Frank Rossi [ACTIVIST-CONSULTANT] and ask him how their « ORGANIC » management plan went the first year at Bethpage Green on greens 16, 17, and 18.

They get 50,000 rounds a year.

They're all ANNUAL BLUEGRASS, and THEY GOT HIT REALLY HARD.

So, you've got to know the grasses.

If your club has to do it [I.E. ADOPT ORGANIC PESTICIDE-FREE MAINTENANCE] .

If they're forced to do it.

Then you also have to ANALYZE THE GRASSES REALLY CAREFULLY.

You may have to regress.

You may have to say, look, we got to take these out, we got to sod, or we got to seed, or we got to do them over [I.E. RENOVATE OR REBUILD TO ACCOMPLISH TURF SPECIES TRANSITION].

And that's better to do that.

And we had a lot of a « POA » [I.E. ANNUAL BLUEGRASS] on our practice greens.

We do make our members keep their own shoes there [AT THE CLUB — SANITATION PRACTICE].

We make our guests [...] WE STERILIZE THEIR SHOES. [?!?!]

So, we have a shoe guy, hates doing it, and he has to, like you know, clean up all the shoes when the guests come in, and stuff like that.

So [...] but sometimes they sneak out in the rain, which you get a lot, and we had to just strip it off [THE PRACTICE GREEN] and re-sod this year.

One of the most important « ORGANIC » golf maintenance protocols is TURF SPECIES TRANSITION [I.E. ELIMINATE ANNUAL BLUEGRASS].

All « ORGANIC » golf courses must be expected to TRANSITION their putting greens from annual bluegrass to creeping bentgrass.

Improved varieties of creeping bentgrass are more resistant to pests than annual bluegrass, an invasive grass species that is highly susceptible to pests & requires the use of more pest control products.

Annual bluegrass is also more susceptible to abiotic disorders, such as winter injury & summer stress.

It must be ELIMINATED, forever.

EXPLORE THE FOLLOWING SELECTED LINK ...

√ VINEYARD GC — Annual Bluegrass — Disaster For Organic — Carlson — Audio Recording — 1.38-Minutes — LINK

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SUCCESS WITH CORRECT MAINTENANCE PRACTICES —

ALL correct & disciplined main-stream superintendents are professionals who are paid to take care of golf courses by following maintenance protocols & performance standards, which are based upon REAL scientific research.

These superintendents must not abandon their SCIENCE-BASED & TIME-TESTED & CORRECT maintenance practices that will ensure HEALTHY & HARDY turfgrass.

« *ORGANIC* » golf course like Vineyard cater only for the ULTRA-WEALTHY ELITE GOLFERS, who have agreed, reluctantly, to SPEND MILLIONS AND NILLIONS OF DOLLARS every year to implement its COSTLY & MEDIEVAL & INEFFECTIVE doctrines to attempt high-quality playing conditions & aesthetics.

America's main-stream golf facilities cannot afford this #@!!% « ORGANIC » & « PESTICIDE-FREE » nonsense!

EXPLORE THE FOLLOWING SELECTED LINKS ...

√ LIBRARY — The Complete Library Of Reports — Turfgrass & Ornamental Maintenance Practices & More — LINK

http://pesticidetruths.com/toc/a-look-at-reports/

 $\sqrt{}$ LIBRARY The Complete Library Of References — Turfgrass Diseases & Disorders — LINK

http://pesticidetruths.com/toc/a-look-at-references-turf-diseases/

√ LIBRARY The Media Library Of References — Turf, Ornamentals, Maintenance, & Environment — LINK

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√ MAINTENANCE Creeping Bentgrass — Properties & Maintenance Standards LINK

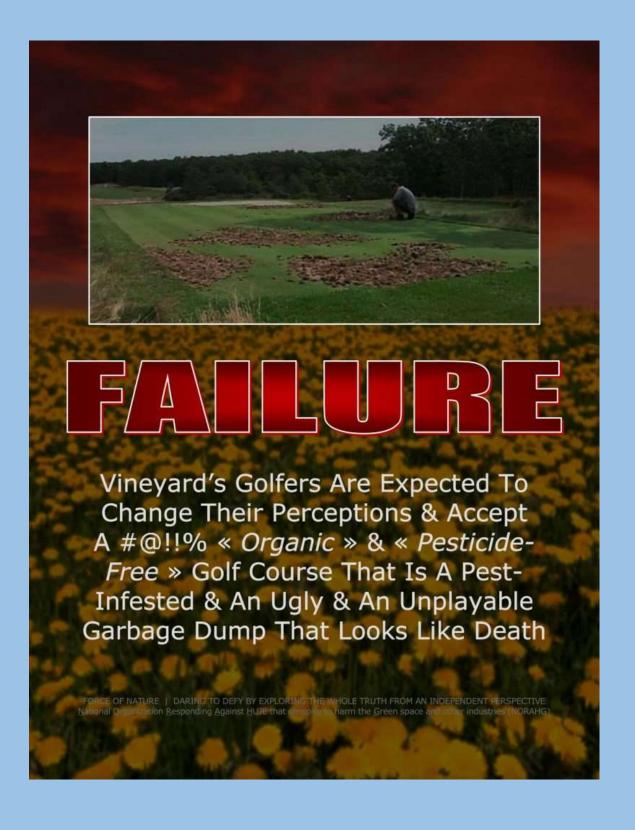
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√ MAINTENANCE Correct Mowing Practices LINK

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BIOLOGICAL TREATMENTS —

At Vineyard, It Would Be Better To Do Nothing Rather Than Use Failed Biological Treatments Like Nematodes

AT THE INFAMOUS VINEYARD GOLF CLUB —

When the inevitable disease patch or pest problem does arise, « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » Kevin Banks employs BIOLOGICAL TREATMENTS [THAT WILL NEVER WORK] to maintain visual appeal and playability. [?!?!]

To fight disease, Banks uses BIOLOGICAL FUNGICIDES [THAT WILL NEVER WORK] and Organic Materials Review Institute-listed products. [?!?!]

An example of « ORGANIC » pest management is the application of BENEFICIAL NEMATODES [THAT WILL NEVER WORK] , or microscopic worms, that attack beetle larvae that feed on turfgrass roots.

Background Information

INSECT MAINTENANCE PRACTICES AT VINEYARD —

BIOLOGICAL & INEFFECTIVE alternatives, like nematodes, WILL NEVER control insects, like white grubs, that damage turf at the INFAMOUS Vineyard Golf Club.

Nematodes CANNOT be consistently considered as true alternatives to conventional insecticides, since the insect pests are often only suppressed, & NOT controlled.

It would be better to do NOTHING rather than use these FAILED nematodes.

Nematode insecticides are NOT viable, NOT efficacious, NOT practical, & NOT economically viable.

Laboratory & field tests tend to indicate that even the best nematode species are only marginally effective in controlling insect infestations.

On the other hand, conventional pest control products will safely & effectively CONTROL insect pests.

White grubs are IMPOSSIBLE to effectively control without conventional insecticides.

EXPLORE THE FOLLOWING SELECTED LINK ...

√ NEMATODE INSECTICIDES — Marginally Effective — Better To Do Nothing — LINK

http://pesticidetruths.com/toc/nematode-insecticide-marginally-effective-better-to-do-nothing/

CULTURAL PRACTICES —

Paying-Golfers Must Put-Up & Shut-Up, & Their Expectations Must Be Lowered — They Must Accept Unplayable Garbage Dump Playing Surfaces That Look Like Death

AT THE INFAMOUS VINEYARD GOLF CLUB —

CULTURAL PRACTICES are also key to « ORGANIC » golf course management, and « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » Kevin Banks explains that his priorities have shifted.

For example, normally the motivation behind ROLLING GREENS is to increase their firmness and speed, but green speed is more of an after-thought for Banks, who views ROLLING primarily as a form of DISEASE CONTROL [TRUE!].

The Vineyard Golf Club also has its own TEST PLOTS where the staff can run [TRIAL-&-ERROR] EXPERIMENTS to figure out what might work on the course and what might not.

They are able to test new varieties of grasses and evaluate different methods for fighting against crabgrass, a pesky weed. [?!?!]

DISEASE MAINTENANCE PRACTICES AT VINEYARD —

At the INFAMOUS Vineyard Golf Club, ILLEGAL & INEFFECTIVE alternatives WILL NEVER control harmful diseases that damage turf.

However, Vineyard has been successful in suppressing certain diseases with CULTURAL PRACTICES —

- Applying compost tea concoctions Illegal & ineffective for disease control
- Applying sulphur Illegal & ineffective for disease control
- Performing greens rolling Effective for disease suppression
- Reducing irrigation Effective for disease suppression
- Removing dew Effective for disease suppression

ILLEGAL COMPOST TEA CONCOCTIONS & ILLEGAL SULPHUR used by Vineyard DO NOT WORK, & may potentially be HARMFUL.

These alternatives FAIL to be government-approved, FAIL to be federally-legal, FAIL to be scientifically-safe, & FAIL to be anything other than potentially harmful.

Their use may represent a DANGER to human health & the environment.

Background Information

ILLEGAL SULPHUR AT VINEYARD —

ILLEGAL SULPHUR is used by Vineyard with massively high applications, according to the confessions of a prominent « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENTS », who has stated —

That's NOT GOOD.

It's still a product designed to kill things [...]

It's SULPHUR, it's a HUGE AMOUNT OF SULPHUR.

ILLEGAL SULPHUR applications only slightly reduce diseases like Microdochium Patch on annual bluegrass putting greens, according to Oregon State University.

ILLEGAL COMPOST TEA AT VINEYARD —

COMPOST TEA is a HOME-MADE ILLEGAL CONCOCTION used by Vineyard that contains extracts of fermented water leached from arbitrary-selections of composted substances.

« ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » Jeff Carlson has been very clear about the fact that COMPOST TEA CONCOCTIONS DO NOT WORK —

I wanted to mention COMPOST TEA here in a second year of doing an evaluation with it.

The reason I mentioned it is because everybody asked me about whether I'm using COMPOST TEA or not.

And including the COMPOST TEA people, obviously, and I used it last year and I want to use it again, we're using it on practice greens.

I HAVEN'T SEEN ANYTHING ONE WAY OR ANOTHER.

[I.E. COMPOST TEA CONCOCTIONS DO NOT WORK]

But I have some restrictions about how they [THE OWNERS] want me to use it.

They do not want me to use any nitrogen with it, either « ORGANIC » or synthetic, but « ORGANIC », they don't want any products added to it except their compost tea.

And as I understand it, the COMPOST TEA people feel that this is a SILVER BULLET [?!?!] that is just compost tea WILL DO EVERYTHING you need to have done [?!?!], as they've explained it to

I think they're a product that could be part of a program.

But I think it has to be part of using some other things cultural practices, nitrogen, the COMPOST TEA plots that I did last year, next to the products that I put eco garden, stuff like that were way down in their fertility, clipping yield was down.

And it just seemed to me like they needed to be fed.

They had MORE DOLLAR SPOT. [!!!!]

The dollar spot was a little more pitted.

I'm going to do it again this year.

That's what I saw from last year so that that's my own life.

I just wish they would kind of get off of that and just have it be part of a program.

I think it would be more valuable.

EFFECTIVE GREENS ROLLING AT VINEYARD —

GREENS ROLLING performed by Vineyard is EFFECTIVE for suppressing certain harmful diseases on its creeping bentgrass greens.

Research has shown that increasing the frequency of light-weight rolling significantly decreases the incidence of Dollar Spot disease on creeping bentgrass.

Performing greens rolling five days per week, regardless of the time of day, will consistently resulted in lower disease incidence, as well as superior turfgrass quality ratings.

Research has also shown that light-weight rolling every other day will slightly reduced Anthracnose disease severity (5 to 6 per cent) under moderate disease pressure on annual bluegrass.

Admittedly, the slight reduction in Anthracnose severity caused by rolling was subtle & probably would be difficult to perceive on the golf course.

Background Information

EFFECTIVE LEAF WETNESS REDUCTION AT VINEYARD —

« ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » Jeff Carlson has declared successes with certain CULTURAL PRACTICES —

For fungal diseases, for example, the big issue is LEAF WETNESS.

I do whatever I can to minimize the duration of LEAF WETNESS.

We don't use that much IRRIGATION.

We use wetting agents to REMOVE DEW, sand top-dressing on greens; we whip greens and fairways [WHISKING AWAY DEW].

LOWERING EXPECTATIONS AT VINEYARD —

Why would any « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » be even remotely interested in using potentially harmful alternatives ?!?!

Why would any « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » ridiculously defy any science-based expertise on conventional disease control products ?!?!

Only the EPA, & its counterpart Health Canada, has the essential expertise on pest control products, & certainly not any « ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT ».

Why bother with national regulatory agencies since all of their decisions are being reversed by « ACTIVIST-EXTREMIST-SUPERINTENDENT » ?!?!

« *ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT* » Jeff Carlson has stated that poor organic disease alternatives require that golfers LOWER THEIR EXPECTATIONS —

And the third piece of the puzzle, as important as the other two, is communication, working with our members and explaining this idea of great playability versus VISUAL PERFECTION.

WE TAKE THE FOCUS AWAY FROM HAVING EVERY PIECE OF FAIRWAY AND ROUGH PERFECTLY GREEN.

[PAYING-GOLFERS MUST PUT-UP & SHUT-UP, & THEIR EXPECTATIONS MUST BE LOWERED THEY MUST ACCEPT UNPLAYABLE GARBAGE DUMP PLAYING SURFACES THAT LOOK LIKE DEATH]

The members have to be on board, or the superintendent wouldn't last too long.

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CORRECT MAINTENANCE PRACTICES —

ALL correct & disciplined main-stream superintendents are professionals who are paid to take care of golf courses by following maintenance protocols & performance standards, which are based upon REAL scientific research.

These superintendents must not abandon their SCIENCE-BASED & TIME-TESTED & CORRECT maintenance practices in favour of « *ORGANIC* » & « *PESTICIDE-FREE* » & « *IPM* » & other MEDIEVAL & INEFFECTIVE doctrines.

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UNCERTAINTY ABOUT PESTICIDES? —

Vineyard Is A Private Golf Course With
Ultra-Wealthy Elite Golfers Who Are Willing
To Spend Millions & Millions Of Dollars Per
Year To Be Free Of Synthetic Pesticides
& Their Supposed Uncertainty [?]

There Is No Uncertainty About Pesticides

AT THE INFAMOUS VINEYARD GOLF CLUB —

Transparency and communication are a big part of its « ORGANIC » mission.

« ACTIVIST-SUPERINTENDENT » Banks and his staff publish information sheets about their practices and send monthly newsletter updates to the club's members.

The membership is proud of what Carlson, Banks, and their team has been able to accomplish — a beautiful [& HIGH-END] course free of synthetic pesticides and the UNCERTAINTY [?!?!?!?!] that accompanies their use.

As Banks himself puts it, this support and encouragement from the membership is « MOTIVATION FOR THE NEXT SEASON ».

THERE IS NO UNCERTAINTY ABOUT PESTICIDES —

Overall, when diluted, the risk assessment for pest control products is practically non-toxic.

Indisputable & conclusive risk assessments show that, as reported through US EPA's & Health Canada's vast toxicology database, NO harm will occur when pest control products are used properly.

National regulatory agencies, world-wide, have found that pest control products DO NOT present risks of concern to human health or the environment when used according to label directions.

Even in their concentrated form, weed control products, like glyphosate & 2,4-D, are less toxic than several household items — • Aspirin • baking soda • caffeine • cannabis • nicotine • table salt • Tylenol.

Glyphosate & 2,4-D are no more toxic than several household items — • ethanol (an edible beverage constituent in beer, wine, & other intoxicating beverages) • mouthwash (i.e. Listerine) • Vitamin C.

No-risk turf herbicides, like glyphosate & 2,4-D, are — • scientifically-safe • practically non-toxic • will cause NO harm to human health & the environment • will NOT cause cancer • will NOT cause irreversible damage if consumed orally.

The probable lethal dose for a person ingesting the concentrated form of no-risk glyphosate & 2,4-D is one litre, the volume of an entire milk carton.

By comparison, drinking six litres of water, which is considered harmless, can lead to water poisoning or dilutional hyponatremia, which is a potentially fatal disturbance in brain functions.

In essence, water is only six times safer than 2,4-D or glyphosate.

These herbicides are practically non-toxic according to their LD₅₀ assessments — the lowest risk assessments.

No-risk three-way turf herbicides, which contain 2,4-D, are practically non-toxic according to their acute oral toxicities, which have been estimated to be 5000 + mg / kg - in their concentrated forms.

Roundup Original Liquid Herbicide, which contains glyphosate, is practically non-toxic according to its acute oral toxicity, which has been estimated to be 5000+ mg / kg.

No-risk glyphosate is about three times less deadly than Tylenol, & thirty times less deadly than caffeine.

There are NO worries & NO uncertainties with pest control products.

National regulatory agencies, world-wide, have found that pest control products DO NOT present risks of concern to human health or the environment when used according to label directions.

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Here Is A Brief Summary Of Mr Gathercole's Career

FIELDS OF UNIVERSITY STUDY — • Crop, Horticulture, & Turfgrass Sciences • Mathematics & Physics.

ALMA MATERS — • McGill University • University of Guelph • the first person ever to obtain bachelors of science degrees & contribute directly to both the professional lawn care & golf maintenance industries.

EXPERTISE — • turf & ornamental maintenance & troubleshooting • history of the green space industry • sales & distribution of seeds, chemicals, fertilizers, & equipment • fertilizer manufacturing & distribution • environmental issues & pesticide-hating fanatxcism.

Notable Activities — • worked in virtually all aspects of the green space industry, including golf maintenance, professional lawn care, tree & shrub care, distribution, environmental compliance, government negotiations, public affairs, & workplace safety • the supervisor, consultant, &, programmer for the successful execution of hundreds-of-thousands of management operations in the golf course & urban landscape, as well as millions of pest control applications • the advisor, instructor, & trainer for thousands of turf & ornamental managers & technicians • the pesticide certification instructor for thousands of industry workers • a founder of the modern professional lawn care industry • the prolific writer for industry publications, reports, & blogs • the first to confirm the invasion of European Chafer insects in both the Montreal region & the Vancouver / Fraser Valley region • with Dr Peter Dernoeden, the first to confirm the presence of Take All Patch as a disease of turf in Eastern Canada • with Dr David Shetlar, the first to confirm the presence of Kentucky Bluegrass Scale as an insect pest in south-western Ontario, & later, in the Montreal & Vancouver regions.

Special Contributions — • the creator of the Pesticide Ban Exception Status that allowed the golf industry to avoid being subjected to anti-pesticide prohibition for a generation • the creator of the signs that are now used for posting after application • the co-founder of annual winter convention for Quebec golf course superintendents • the founder of the first ever Turf Summit with guest Dr Jack L Eggens https://wp.me/p1jq40-7dT • the major influence in the decision by Canadian Cancer Society to stop selling-for-profit fresh pesticide-treated daffodils https://wp.me/P1jq40-10W • the only true reliable witness of the events of anti-pesticide prohibition in the town of Hudson, Quebec https://wp.me/p1jq40-asu • the founder (now retired) of the Force Of Nature series of reports & blogs.

NOTABLE AWARD - • the first man-of-the-year for contributions leading to the successful founding of the Quebec professional lawn care trade association, which served as a beach-head against anti-pesticide activists in the 1980s & 1990s.

LEGACIES — Mr Gathercole & his colleagues ... • designed & implemented strategies that reined antipesticide activists & provided peace & prosperity for the entire modern green space industry for a
generation • orchestrated legal action against anti-pesticide activists in the town of Hudson, Quebec
• launched the largest founding professional lawn care business in the nation • quadrupled the
business revenues of one of the largest suppliers in the nation.

Mr Gathercole is now retired, although his name continues to appear as the founder of the FORCE OF NATURE series of reports & blogs.

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