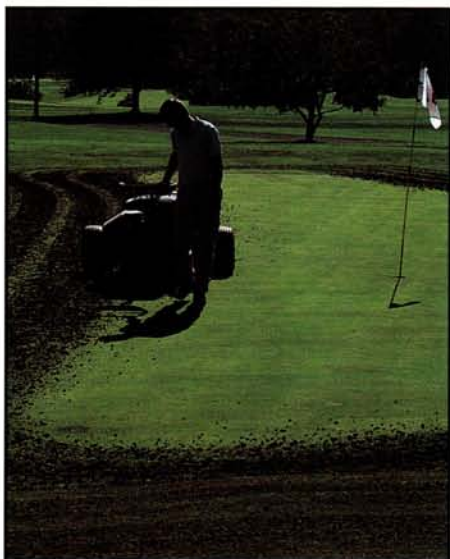


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The maintenance shed of the past has
evolved into the modern turf care
center that will take golf course
maintenance well into the future.*



Core aeration is one of the most important preventative maintenance practices used on putting greens. The challenge is learning how to sell the program. See page 8.



One method of renovating fairways is to strip out the common bermudagrass and then install big rolls of hybrid sod. Half of a fairway can be converted at a time to allow play to continue. See page 13.

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