

Greens Committee Minutes

July 14, 2008

Attendees:

Ron Dubas, STMGA
Brian Blaine STMA
Dennis deLagarde, Couples

Eddie Pratt, Dir. of Golf
Maureen Foley, Lady Niners

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 PM.

Course Updates: Matt Owens, 14 July, 2008

All Courses:

- Rye grass gone for the summer
- Irrigation lakes at full capacity
- Wall-to-wall fertilizer application scheduled for all courses next week or the week after

Jones:

- Back nine traps edged-working on front nine now
- Beds mulched and/or pine-strawed
- Additional fertilization/aerification of 2007 drought damaged Bermuda roughs and fairways

Byrd:

- Heavily involved in grow-in of front nine greens
- Mowed new greens for the first time today (July 14th)
- Planning to top-dress front greens this week and perform first aerification next week or the following
- Greens should be ready in plenty of time for Late August opening

Maples:

- Edged greenside traps
- Working on beds around practice green
- Expanded tie width of the collars around the greens

Upcoming

- Aerification of tees, rough, fairways
- Treat for summer weeds
- Grow-in and re-open Byrd greens for play

Golf Shop Updates: Eddie Pratt

SEA TRAIL GOLF RESORT UPCOMING EVENTS (July 2008 – August 2008)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>COURSE(S)</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
JULY 19 (Sat.)	JONES	SHALLOTTE LIONS CLUB (8:30 am SHOTGUN / 144 PL)
JULY 21 (Mon.)	MAPLES	S. T. STAFF / MEMBER (Mixed) (12:30 pm SHOTGUN / 60 PL)
JULY 22 (Tues.)	JONES	LADYBIRDS (8:30 am SHOTGUN / 100+ PL)
JULY 26 (Sat.)	MAPLES	S. T. COUPLES CHAMP'SHIP (1) (12:00 pm – 1:12 pm DT / 80 PL)
JULY 27 (Sun.)	JONES	S. T. COUPLES CHAMP'SHIP (2) (12:00 pm – 1:12 pm DT / 80 PL)
JULY 30 (Wed.)	MAPLES	STLGA Memorial Tourn. (7:27 am – 8:24 am DT / 56 PL)
AUG 4 (Mon.)	JONES	CSGA (9:00 am SHOTGUN / 100+ PL)
AUG 4 (Mon.)	MAPLES	STMGA CLUB CHAMP'SHIP (1) (7:56 am – 9:21 am DT)
AUG 5 (Tues.)	JF-JB / JB-BB	STMGA CLUB CHAMP'SHIP (2) (7:56 am – 9:21 am DT)
AUG 6 (Wed.)	JF-JB / JB-BB	STLGA CLUB CHAMP'SHIP (1) (7:46 am – 8:53 am DT)
AUG 6 (Wed.)	JONES	NCAEC (12:08 pm – 12:24 pm DT / 65 PL)
AUG 9 (Sat.)	JONES / MAPLES	PRECISION WALLS (11:00 am SHOTGUN / 120+ PL / COURSE)
AUG 11 (Mon.)	JF-JB / JB-BB	STMGA CLUB CHAMP'SHIP(3) (7:56 am – 9:21 am DT)
AUG 11 (Mon.)	MAPLES	STLGA CLUB CHAMP'SHIP (2) (7:46 am – 8:53 am DT)
AUG 12 (Tues.)	JF-JB / JB-BB	STMGA CLUB CHAMP'SHIP (4) (7:56 am – 9:21 am DT)
AUG 13 (Wed.)	JF-JB / JB-BB	STLGA CLUB CHAMP'SHIP (3) (7:46 am – 8:53 am DT)
AUG 14 (Thurs.)	JONES	ASHRAE (12:08 pm – 1:24 pm DT / 72 PL)
AUG 14 (Thurs.)	MAPLES	INTERCLUB (WOMEN'S) (7:37 am – 8:34 am DT / 52 PL)
AUG 16 (Sat.)	MAPLES	BFAA CHARITY (9:00 am SHOTGUN / 100+ PL)
AUG 22 (Fri.)	MAPLES	TILLMAN (8:00 am SHOTGUN / 112 PL / COURSE)
AUG 23 (Sat.)	JB-BB	TILLMAN (8:00 am SHOTGUN / 112 PL / COURSE)
AUG 24 (Sun.)	JONES	TILLMAN (8:00 am SHOTGUN / 112 PL / COURSE)
AUG 25 (Mon.)	MAPLES	TESSEIN GROUP (7:27 am – 8:24 am DT / 64 PL)
AUG 30 (Sat.)	JONES / BYRD	HULA HOLIDAY (Plantation Day) (9:00 am SHOTGUN / 128 PL / COURSE)
AUG 30 (Sat.)	MAPLES	NJGC – PARENT /JR. (12:00 pm SHOTGUN / 120 PL)
AUG 31 (Sun.)	JONES	NJGC (7:30 am – 9:43 am DT / 100+ PL)
SEPT 1 (Mon.)	JONES	NJGC (7:30 am – 9:43 am DT / 100+ PL)
SEPT 1 (Mon.)	JONES	CROOKED GULLEY OPEN (8:00 am SHOTGUN / 90+ PL)
SEPT 2,3,4 (Tu. - Th.)	M / J / B	AERIFY GREENS

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Teaching Pros and students driving golf carts on practice range and edge of practice green.

Response: This concern will be addressed.

With the completion of the retaining wall and landscaping on Byrd 18 what is the defined hazard?

Response: The committee agreed that the hazard should be the lakeside edge of the cart path. This makes the landscaping and fence part of the hazard. Proper markers have been made to identify the hazard.

There appears to be a problem with Tent Caterpillars.

Response: Matt Owens: Not aware of the caterpillar problem and not overly concerned. I don't have the training or capacity to treat insects in trees. If and when the insects in question become a problem for the turf I will deal with the issue accordingly.

The cup depth settings on the Maples Course are not at a proper depth, many not as deep as required.

Response: Due to scheduling restraints we are having to train new staff on jobs that they have had no previous experience with. A learning curve is to be expected, although we will do everything possible to shorten the curve and help them to develop proficiency with their new responsibilities

What is causing the dry and bare areas in the fairways?

Response: Most all of the bare areas are due to last years drought and the weakened or dead turf that was present in those areas when we overseeded in the fall. Our winter overseed has now died out due to the summer heat, exposing the areas that were so weak going into fall. To remedy the situation we have planned for the coming weeks additional aerification as well as a fertilizer application. Each of these should encourage the Bermuda to fill in the bare areas. The remaining factor is time. We can only expect so much from the turf no matter how much we cultivate and fertilize.

Open Discussion:

Next meeting September 15, 2008, 2:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Dubas