

Cutten Fields

Golf Course & Grounds



Course will be closed for the season on November 6th.



GAO has been onsite multiple times and is in the process of updating course rating and yardages



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Course Renovation Update

All 18 holes are back in play, a big thank you for the patience and positive outlook from the membership while this transformation took place on the golf course. As we move into the the Fall season, Course and Grounds are preparing to make some improvements to the tee on 10 and 12. Improvements will begin this week with path removal, irrigation, drainage prep and we will also begin by creating a small berm behind the 11th green to visually enhance that area. There will be shrubbery/trees added as well. Golf will continue as usual until the last week of October, around this time we will close the blue / white tee on 10. During that time, play will go off the red/green tees on Hole 10. Any major work on Hole 12 will not begin until the season closes on November 6th.



CANADIAN TURF TALKS PODCAST

Golf Course Architect Jeff Mingay and Course and Grounds Bill Green joined the hosts of Canadian Turf Talks to discuss the recent renovations at Cutten Fields. Episode 11 Design, Build and Renovate Listen now on Stitcher, iHeart, Spotify, Google podcasts, and Apple Podcasts

Green Size Summary

The new greens at Cutten Fields are built to a very high standard utilizing modern construction methods, quality materials and implementing elements of design that contribute to improved playability, turf health, and environmental benefits.

One of the more obvious improvements with the new greens is the increased size. A factor in determining green size was based on Dr. Micheal Hurdzan’s philosophy of having 21 pin locations at 200 sqft each. This totals 4200 sqft plus an additional 2000 ft² to account for unpinnable areas around the perimeter of the green for a total of 6200 sqft as a starting point. If you add slopes that are unpinnable, the size of the green should increase accordingly. Other factors such as sunlight, traffic patterns or green speeds that may also influence green sizes.

The correlation between green speeds and the number of pin locations on a green is

		GREENS SIZE COMPARISON		
HOLE	OLD GREENS	NEW ERA	% INCREASE	
No. 1	5620	7329	30.4	
No. 2	4546	7121	56.6	
No. 3	7168	7576	5.7	
No. 4	5096	9320	82.9	
No. 5	4739	6720	41.8	
No. 6	4242	6699	57.9	
No. 7	4510	6722	49.0	
No. 8	4778	8029	68.0	
No. 9	4728	7503	58.7	
No. 10	3854	6271	62.7	
No. 11	4350	7012	61.2	
No.12	4324	7660	77.2	
No. 13	5514	6937	25.8	
No. 14	5504	7077	28.6	
No. 15	4092	9469	131.4	
No. 16	3814	6938	81.9	
No. 17	5372	7627	42.0	
No. 18	4881	6932	42.0	
Avg	4841	7386	52.6	

Summary of green sizes post renovation at Cutten Fields

well documented. Under championship conditions, tournament organizers look for pin locations in the 1% - 3% slope range. To put that into perspective, the old 14th green featured a 6% slope front to back and had a couple of small areas that were just under 5% slope. The increased green sizes and appropriate slopes will provide lots of flexibility with course set-up and managing

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT BUNKERS

A few tips when raking bunkers after you hit your next bunkers shot at Cutten Fields

- ▶ Avoid displacing sand while raking, golfers often pull sand toward the exit. This negatively impacts the bunker sand depth and ultimately playability.
- ▶ Always enter and exit bunkers on the low side. Climbing in and out of bunkers on the face can damage the bunker face.
- ▶ It doesn’t matter what time of day it is....when you hit a bunker shot, you should be raking it, we do not rake bunkers everyday.

