# **Cutten Fields**

#### **Golf Course & Grounds**



# **Course Renovation Update**

The golf course & grounds team were back in action this month. The primary focus was to complete a few cart paths and sod several areas to facilitate golf in the coming weeks. Here is what we were up to.

- $\bullet\,$  Cart path work on 2, 6, 7, and 8
- Irrigation installation on 8 tee
- Sod prep and sodding on 7, 8, 10 14, and 18
- Bunker construction 4 and 3



## **JEFF MINGAY SHOWCASE**

A collection of videos have been created to highlight course improvements. There are 4 videos that are being released biweekly beginning Saturday, March 18. These videos can be found in the club email as well as various club social media accounts including Instagram, Facebook and YouTube.



**Course Opening** Based on current conditions we are looking at the week of April 25th to 28th



**Currently 12 Temp Greens** 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 18 and Thompson hole is in play for 17.



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## **No.6**

#### Saturday Showcase - Jeff Mingay

In this weeks video, Jeff Mingay touches on a few of the design characteristics implemented on the new greens including drainage, green size and slope to optimize playability and turf health.

The old green on the 6th hole was so severely sloped back to front that it was often considered unplayable. In order to improve playability, the newly constructed 6th green was flattened. This was achieved by lowering the back of the green by 24 inches and raising the front by 12 inches. The hole did not change fundamentally, but it is going to function better, and it is going to be more interesting to play for everyone. There will be greater opportunity to vary course set-up as golfers will benefit from a variety of fun and interesting pin locations.



The design of 6 green features 6,810 sq. ft. of putting surface which is a 60% increase in total size. In addition, the green has multiple exits for surface drainage including a comprehensive internal drainage system.

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### WHEN DO WE OPEN THE GOLF COURSE ?

The biggest determining factor to opening the course is... weather. Turf should be actively growing before considering opening the golf course, so it can recover from traffic. Active growth is related to soil temperature and consistent warm weather (particularly at night) is required to get there. Please be patient and understand that we want the course open as badly as you do but it is our intention to manage the course at the highest level possible for the entire season - not just a few extra days in the Spring. Stay tuned for updates as opening day approaches

