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Wednesday, August 30

**COURSE AERIFICATION**

**Wednesday, September 6 - COURSE CLOSED**

**Thursday, September 7 - 9 HOLES OPEN @ Noon**

We hope everyone has enjoyed their summer so far. It is hard to believe that it is almost Labor Day.

Overall, the weather this year has been exceptional with very few prolonged periods of heat. Rainfall was at a minimum as we have only received one-third of our July through August average. As a result, our irrigation system has been working overtime. The health of the turf is excellent for this stage of the season. One major factor in the turf's ability to withstand the stress of the summer months is the practice of aerification. This process is necessary for many benefits including compaction relief, better drainage, thatch management, and gas exchange to name a few.

We have consistently aerified for many years resulting in surfaces that are able to be pushed further than they were designed to be.

**Aerification of the greens will begin on Wednesday, September 6 and will be completed on September 7. The course will be completely closed on Wednesday. Nine holes will be open on Thursday at noon. This schedule is weather dependent. In the event of rain, we will continue to push to the next day that is suitable to work the sand into the surfaces.**

We will be using solid tines again this year which significantly increases the recovery time.

Tee and fairway aerification will occur in the following weeks. The course will remain open during this process.

We understand that it creates less than desirable playing conditions while we are performing the work. Thank you for understanding and please accept our apologies for the inconvenience. The course is grateful when this process is complete!

We're looking forward to exceptional fall golf conditions!

Thanks for your support!  
*Mark Ostrander*

