



Greens Committee – 2010 Year End Report

Turf Care Superintendent Patrick Legg did an admirable job in delivering quality course conditions in 2010 while taking on other tasks outside of his scope of concern. Challenging weather and peripheral tasks associated with the new clubhouse resulted in an interesting year for our Turf Care Department. Also, Turf Care's budget has been cut repeatedly for the last 3 years with an expectation to do "more" with "less".

The 2010 Greens Committee collectively decided to steer focus to support Patrick in his short-term obligations as well as engage him on long range planning in the form of two objectives previously communicated in the 2010 newsletters; Stay the Course and Define Planning.

Stay the Course

In addition to regular duties, the turf care department was also tasked with the responsibility of organizing logistics concerning the safe movement of golfers around the construction area as well as building a new practice green and landscape shaping around the new clubhouse.

Results

Run & Maintain - Patrick delivered continued improvement on the golf course conditions as the season progressed. Despite some of the coolest summer weather in recent memory, the committee received several compliments that our course was in just as good as or better shape than many facilities in our competitive area.

Clubhouse

Logistics – Despite some challenges with signage and a sprawling construction site, Turf Care managed to control dust in the parking lot, guide golfers on paths, store member clubs in a "Sea Can", and keep common areas clear of debris. This was done without injury to Highwood staff, members, or guests during a time of high injury risk threats around the construction area.

Practice Green & Landscape Shaping – The practice green was built and shaped in the fall and we will seed or sod in Spring 2011. Turf Care did not plan to do this project in 2010 but were able to execute when asked. The Turf Care Department also worked on sloping around the clubhouse that saved the club money as opposed to having a landscape contractor perform this work.

Define Planning

The committee has discussed at length the mid and long term planning for capital projects in the future. This planning will shape how the course will look and play in the future and will aid in the project prioritization, budgeting, and approval process.

Results

An architect has been selected and the process of identifying and designing a mid and long term plan is in its early stages. The architect's mandate will be to assess the course and create a plan for each hole. Once complete, our Turf Care Superintendant will be able to select capital projects from the plan based on priority and budget.

Please note these are long-term plans with projects being executed in "small" parcels. The projects will require approval by the Highwood Executive and will only be executed when included in the club's annual budget. There are no current plans to execute on any large capital outlays (projects) at this time.

Respectfully submitted,
Dirk Snider,
Greens Committee Chair



Building Committee – 2010 Year End Report

First, I would like to thank our Manager, Doug Robb and President, Gerry Feigel for their commitment to the construction of our new clubhouse. This project involved an enormous time commitment over the past 12 months from our Building Committee. As well, the Board of Directors all worked together in order to provide a clubhouse that would serve our members for at least the next 30 years.

The project was not without its challenges. Budget was number one. When our members approved the proposed budget for the clubhouse we took this very seriously. The committee along with the architect, contractor and interior designer all worked tirelessly to ensure we came in on budget although there were items that proved challenging in order to make this happen.

As with every project of this magnitude it was impossible for us to predict everything. One of our major obstacles was the way in which the services (gas, water, electrical etc.) would / could be brought in. The old clubhouse was constructed over many years and the way in which the services were routed proved to be an underground spider web that also effected the turf care facility. Some of these issues became items that we could not cheap out on in order to ensure they were completed properly.

Secondly, the Board of Directors along with the Construction Committee decided that we must protect our members as well as our building with a sprinkler system in case of fire. This was an additional \$95 000.00 but one that we felt was extremely important. It also helps to lower our insurance premiums.

These were the two major components that affected our budget. At the end of the day our main goal was to complete this project properly so that we were not coming back in 3 years having unfinished areas that needed completion. "Do it right the first time", was our motto. We did come in over budget (4.5%) but we are all very confident on the decisions that were made to insure that the project was completed. The building, turf care servicing and landscaping were all brought into this budget and they will all be 100% completed for the opening of the 2011 season.

The project exceeded all of my expectations and it is one that we can all be very proud of. As the committee chair I am also proud to say that we achieved our goal and the project was done right the first time.

Thank You,
Craig Snodgrass
Building Committee Chair



Leagues and Tournaments

2010 was a busy year with most leagues and Club tournaments being well attended. We tried some new things this year and they seemed well received for the most part.

The Club Championship format was changed whereby we held the various Championships on the same weekend. This change was accepted by most people and there seemed to be an increase in camaraderie amongst the members. We intend on building on this momentum in 2011. The various champions for 2010 were:

Men's - Mike Sweett

Senior Men's - Pat Feeney

Ladies – Kat Kennedy

Senior Ladies – Diane Guinn

Junior Boys – Matt Nesselbeck

Junior Girls – Kat Kennedy

Congratulations to all of them!

The format for the Ironman was also changed. This year we went to a 27 hole tournament. The course was set up to be difficult but not quite as extreme as in past years. We were just able to complete play as darkness was approaching. It seems that a frost delay is inevitable at that time of year!

I would like to thank the Highwood staff and all the volunteers who get involved in running these leagues and tournaments. Your efforts are truly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted
Rod Baceda
Chairman



2010 Services Report

We are finally here! The new building is in full operation and the old building is gone. With so many changes in the way we operate at the Highwood. It has been a very interesting year to be a part of the Board and the Services committee. I would like to personally thank Doug for his tireless work behind the scenes this year to keep everything running smoothly.

Also, I would thank the membership for being more than understanding with all that has been going on for the past year. With construction and no halfway house this year there was a lot of pressure put on the beverage cart staff to keep 27 holes of golfers happy. We made it, and with our new facility and halfway house, next season will seem like a breeze.

With Tasteful Inspirations deciding to not renew their contract, going forward we have made the decision to keep the F&B club owned.

With Chris and Jared joining us as our new chefs and Tracy taking over as Front-end Supervisor, Doug has put the right team in place to make 2011 a big success.

I'm looking forward to enjoying all the great changes at the Highwood next season.

See you out there!

Lee Bakken
Services Committee Chairman