

June 30th, July 19th Visits

St. Mary's Golf Course Consultants Report

Person Present: Trampis and Tom

4 Total hours

Recommendation for 1 and 8 greens:

There is very little turf left on 8 green and 1/3 of 1 green is gone. My recommendation is to start over on these two greens, cut of the existing grass with a sod cutter and use that sod to make repairs on the other 8 greens as needed. Strip all remaining thatch off of both greens, aerify them with a 1/2" solid tine. Commercial turf and tractor can aerify the remaining 8 greens at this time, they also need to bring their root pruner and run it around the greens and tees with trees close. Tom has found tree roots in both 1 and 8 greens. Next step is to add sand and peat moss to help smooth out and reestablish surface drainage, this will also be a better medium to seed into. Each green will be dimpled using a knobby tire, seeded two directions, and dimpled again. The green will need to be watered until wet every 3 hours on a daily basis for two weeks. I will lend you a walk mower to mow them with until they are established. Obviously temporary greens will need to be set up in the fairways for fall and spring. With good care these greens should be playable again by May. I feel that if done right these problem greens can become your best greens.

If you do not feel that this is a possible solution, we can always overseed these greens with Commercial turf and tractors machine. The root pruning should still be done as well.

Trampis Nickel