

Centennial Park Golf Course
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The golf course maintenance department is now in full swing with getting the course ready for winter. We have certain steps and procedures that need to be completed prior to snow fall. The best laid plans can always be hindered by the weather which always seems to be a large factor in our operation. The following is a quick breakdown on what the golf course maintenance department has completed or is in the process of doing.

*Multiple fertilizer applications have been made throughout the golf course. We had an Ammonium Sulfate application made to the fairways. The entire golf course received a dormant application using a product that is similar to Milorganite.

*All primary playing surfaces have been finished being aerated. We started doing a core aeration of green and tee banks and had the machine break down. I would still like to solid tine the rough and driving range but am not sure if the weather will allow me the opportunity to do so.

*Snow mold application has begun. At the time of this report greens, tees, driving range tees, and some fairways have been finished.

*The grass tee for the driving range has been closed for the season. We have moved all range users to the artificial mats. Upon doing this, we were able to core aerate, overseed, and make an application of dormant fertilizer to the range tee.

*The irrigation system and pump station have gone through the process of winterization. All lines were blown out using a compressor that we rent. While doing this process, we discovered a pretty significant issue on our main irrigation line by the pump station. I have been in contact with an irrigation company that I have used for many years and am hoping that we will be able to take care of this problem before the end of the year. I will keep you posted.

We are constantly monitoring the weather and looking at the long term forecast. The maintenance staff is prepping to get the covers ready to put onto the greens to help protect them over the winter. This process is very challenging and takes some time and effort to do it properly. We are hoping to begin this process sooner than later.