

Atlantic Repot

Many superintendents are relieved to see September arrive. The rain events have varied around Atlantic Canada over the summer. Some courses like us at Chester are very dry and have drained down their irrigation ponds. While others have been very wet. The pockets of rain all summer have been very localized, which seems to be the new normal.

Most of us have our Club Championships behind us and most major events as well. That being said, September can be a busy time for corporate events. As a lot of us lose our summer labour force we need to be creative to figure out how to fill those gaps. That gets even more taxing as we tackle those fall cultural practices and any fall projects that are on the docket.

Our Atlantic Golf Superintendents Association Scramble was held at Northumberland Golf Links. We were hosted by Superintendent John Mills on what was a great day. Northumberland was hit hard by hurricane Fiona. The clean up John and his team did completely changed the feel of the golf course and opened up some amazing views of the Northumberland Strait. We had a record attendance and had a large number of club teams which was great to see.

It's hard to believe that summer is over. It feels like it just started. We will be scheduling blowouts before you know it. Take the time to show your appreciation to your seasoned staff as they fill those gaps and get things put to bed in the upcoming months.

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