

Manitoba Regional Report

It has been a pleasant fall here in Manitoba so far. Drier conditions have meant that most courses have been able to work through their fall projects and aeration programs without too much interruption which is a significant change from the last couple of years. All the Superintendents I have spoken with reported that their courses are still very busy. Many are looking forward to aeration and some cooler weather to help courses heal from the traffic experienced this year. Most if not all courses have reported their highest levels of play in many years and those impacts can certainly be felt on the turf.

The MGSA hosted its Annual Turfgrass Research Tournament in mid-August at the Rossmere Golf and Country Club hosted by Superintendent Greg Mitchell. The course was in great shape and with a new format and some other tweaks made the event a great day for everyone. Thank you to Joe Chartrand, Mark Kerkowich and their committee for their hard work on these changes and to a great event.

Here in Manitoba we have cancelled our September golf meeting due to a Covid 19 surge and there will continue to be some uncertainty as to what the future brings next as far as winter gatherings, conferences, or seminars. In the meantime, I wish everyone luck with their fall course preparations and hope that everyone stays safe.

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