



# Sean O'Flaherty

## Brief Overview of Your Course

Ashburn Golf Club is a 36 hole facility. The New Course is located in Fall River and is a par 72, while The Old Course, where I am located is an 18 hole par 67 sitting on the edge of Halifax. Its is a Stanley Thompson design, that while being considered "short" is a great test of golf. We have recently gone through a full renovation of greens, surrounds and bunkers. In peak season we run a crew of 15-17, with those numbers being a bit smaller into the fall season.

## Best Part of the Job Quote that keeps you going?

I would say the best part of my job is seeing just how much The Old Course has changed since starting here almost 20 years ago. Looking back at old pictures, it is hard to believe that it's even the same property. Those changes are a result of all the hard work from all of the crews that I have worked with over the years

"Serenity now" – Frank Costanza

## Time at Course & Past Positions

I started at The Old Course in April of 2006, took a brief hiatus in 2015 and had the opportunity to return in 2018. Prior to working at Ashburn I have had the pleasure of working at Oakfield Golf Club, Indian Lake Golf Club and Lost Creek Golf Club. I started in the industry in 2000 almost by chance as a friend became a Superintendent and gave me an opportunity to come and work for him. Hard to believe it's been 25 seasons already!

## Best Advice

The best advice I could give would be to embrace change, be adaptive. This industry is constantly evolving and what worked or was best a few years ago may not be the best option today. Don't be afraid to try new things.

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