

Golf Course Profile- What's Your Course Saying?

Elk Ridge Resort

Event: Elk Ridge Saskatchewan Open

Superintendent: Blaine Fagnou

Golf Course Name, Number of Holes: Elk Ridge Resort, 27 holes.

Where (Address, Directions, Email, Website): Box 130, Waskesiu Lake, Sask, S0j2Y0 – 1 hr north of Prince Albert, Sask.

Superintendent, Designations, Awards, Years of Experience: Blaine Fagnou, 34 years experience, 30 seasons at Elk Ridge.

Annual Rounds Played: 22000

Average Season Length: 5 months.

Nine Yardage: Tamarack 3354, Birch 3458, Aspen 3200

Total Yardage:

Total Area of Greens, Number of Greens, Predominant Type of Turfgrass: 3.39 acres, 27 greens plus practice green, Penncross Creeping Bentgrass.

Total Area of Fairways, Predominant Type of Turfgrass: 30 acres, Kentucky Bluegrass.

Total area of Tees, Predominant Type of Turfgrass: 3.31 acres, Penncross Creeping Bentgrass.

Predominant Soil Type on Course: Peat/Glacial Till/USGA Spec greens/tees

Irrigation System Type, Water Supply and Age: Rainbird System, Nimbus II Central Control, 29 years old. Deep wells/Reservoir.

Number of Bunkers and Sand Type: 33, Silica sand.

Number and Type of Water Features: 16 total, 15 natural ponds and 1 natural creek.

Construction and Original Architect: Bruce Klassen/Arne Petersen/Blaine Fagnou

Renovations and Architects: Arne Petersen/Blaine Fagnou

Maintenance Shop Construction Year: 2005

Number, Type and Make of Equipment: Toro, Jac, JD

Does Your Course Have a Separate Chemical and/or Fertilizer Storage Facility (Size, Age)?: No

Number of Staff (Year-Round, Seasonal, Mechanics, etc.): 23 seasonal, 4-5 year round.

Assistant Superintendent: N/A

Club President: Nevin Anderson

CPGA Professional: Ryan Wells

Club Manager: Ryan Danberg

Club Owner: Routes to SK Inc.

Other Key Course Personnel: Equipment Technician John Gray, Irrigation tech Stefaan Demarie

Current Course Projects: Resurfacing cart paths.

Long Range Plans:

Challenges: Staffing/accommodations in a remote location, dealing with weather and bugs.

Success Stories:

Unique Features of the Course: Each hole is tree lined and isolated from the rest of the course, all natural water features, lots of wildlife such as coyotes, elk, deer, bear, fox, lynx, wolves.