

Golf Course Profile- What's Your Course Saying?

Innisfail Golf Club

Event: Canadian Junior Boys Championship

Superintendent: Erwin Alvarez

Golf Course Name, Number of Holes: Innisfail Golf Club, 27 hole semi-private facility

Where (Address, Directions, Email, Website): 6080 Lakewood Drive Innisfail, Alberta T4G1S7

www.innisfailgolf.ca

Superintendent, Designations, Awards, Years of Experience: 31 years in the industry

Annual Rounds Played: 45,000 (27 holes)

Average Season Length: 6 months, mid-April to mid-October

Front Nine Yardage: Aspen nine – 3334 yds

Back Nine Yardage: Spruce – 3271 yds

Total Yardage: 6605 yds

Total Area of Greens, Number of Greens, Predominant Type of Turfgrass: 166,624 ft.2

30 greens including practice green and 2 extra holes

Bentgrass/Poa annua mix

Total Area of Fairways, Predominant Type of Turfgrass: 1,364,346 ft.2 or 31.3 acres

Kentucky bluegrass/Poa annua mix

Total area of Tees, Predominant Type of Turfgrass: 105,917 ft.2

Kentucky bluegrass/Poa annua

Predominant Soil Type on Course: Sandy soil

Irrigation System Type, Water Supply and Age: Flowtronex Silent Storm pump station

Toro Lynx central computer, all Toro sprinklers

Water supply – Red Deer River

Number of Bunkers and Sand Type: 76 bunkers

Bimini bunker sand

Number and Type of Water Features: 4 man-made ponds and 1 creek

1 natural lake (Hazelwood Lake) is our irrigation holding pond

Construction and Original Architect: 1924 – 9 holes

1987 – 18 holes 2006 – 27 holes

Cornish/Robinson

Renovations and Architects: Numerous over the years, Bill Robinson developed Master Plan with prior Superintendent

Maintenance Shop Construction Year: 1985, expanded building in 2004 when we expanded to 27 holes

Number, Type and Make of Equipment: Mainly John Deere, some Toro (rough & slope mowers)

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

Number of Staff (Year-Round, Seasonal, Mechanics, etc.): 30 staff in all

4 year-round – Superintendent, 2 Asst. Superintendents and mechanic

26 – Full-time seasonal

Assistant Superintendent: Jeffrey Clarke & Chris Miller

Club President: Paul Goranson

CPGA Professional: Jeff McDowell

Club Manager: Dale Tomlinson

Club Owner: non for profit organization

Other Key Course Personnel: Nathan Saar - mechanic

Current Course Projects: complete rebuild of a par 3 hole – Aspen #9

Long Range Plans: ongoing as per Master Plan, next major renovation is to replace irrigation main lines

Challenges: Drought/water issues, labor shortage

Success Stories: We are celebrating our Centennial year this season!

Unique Features of the Course: Three unique 9 hole courses meandering through an Aspen woodland layout that is highlighted by undulating terrain and challenging greens.