

Golf Course Profile- What's Your Course Saying?

Nanaimo Golf Club

Event: NextGen Pacific Championship, fueled by JOURNIE Rewards

Superintendent: Garth Sjolie

Golf Course Name, Number of Holes: Nanaimo Golf Club, 18 Holes

Where (Address, Directions, Email, Website): 2800 Highland BLVD., Nanaimo, BC, V9S3N8

Superintendent, Designations, Awards, Years of Experience:

Garth Sjolie, 45 years working at Golf Courses

33 Years at Nanaimo Golf Club as Course Superintendent

5 years Superintendent Camrose Golf Club in Alberta

Annual Rounds Played: 65,000 – 69,000

Average Season Length: 12 Month

Front Nine Yardage: 3333

Back Nine Yardage: 3334

Total Yardage: 6667

Total Area of Greens, Number of Greens, Predominant Type of Turfgrass: 2.75 Acres, 23 Greens Total, Poa Rye

Total Area of Fairways, Predominant Type of Turfgrass: 40 Acres

Total area of Tees, Predominant Type of Turfgrass: 3.25 Acres, Poa Rye

Predominant Soil Type on Course: Rocky native soil

Irrigation System Type, Water Supply and Age: Block system, installing new heads yearly. Water originally from a coal mine which is high in carbonates and bicarbonates and blend in summer, but have drilled and use 8 wells on property for primary source now

Number of Bunkers and Sand Type: 72, Bunker Sand from supplier on Island

Number and Type of Water Features: 10 ponds

Construction and Original Architect: A. V. Macan

Renovations and Architects: Les Furber and Puddincombe & Associates. Greens rebuilt over 34 years, 4.5 in house. Tees added to or rebuilt and mounds on fairway & traps added from 12-72. Filling some in now due to labour.

Maintenance Shop Construction Year: 1993

Number, Type and Make of Equipment: Predominantly Toro. Plus 3 Kubota Tractors. 3 Aerators

Does Your Course Have a Separate Chemical and/or Fertilizer Storage Facility (Size, Age)?: No, but built in shop plans, 1993.

Number of Staff (Year-Round, Seasonal, Mechanics, etc.): 8.5 year round, 17.5 seasonal

Assistant Superintendent: Jason Bird

Club President: George Hrabowych

CPGA Professional: Chris Wilson

Club Manager: Charles Stephen

Club Owner: Vancouver Island Golf Club Ltd.

Other Key Course Personnel: 2nd Assistant, Bruce Harper

Current Course Projects:

Long Range Plans: Constantly evolving for Members desires and maintain consistency throughout the seasons

Challenges: Lately climate change, staffing & supply chain delays

Success Stories: Golf course has developed during my tenure

Unique Features of the Course: Overlooks George Strait, Undulating greens, one of the driest courses on the Island!

Photos: attached.