

Tools of the Trade...at Ted Pegram's Bermuda Run Country Club

BERMUDA RUN, N.C. — Ted Pegram started his career in the family landscaping business when he was five years old after his father sawed the handles down on a shovel and rake for Ted and his brother. Now he's director of grounds here for the Bermuda Run Country Club.

Located just west of Winston-Salem, the Bermuda Run Country Club is situ-



Pegram stands next to the club's fountain which he designed in 1998.

ated on 1,000 acres offering two 18-hole golf courses — Bermuda Run and Bermuda Run West. With a staff of about 35 people, Pegram maintains over 500 acres of golf course, manicured landscape and wetlands as well as the grounds at the owner's retirement resort, hotels and nursing homes.

EXTENDING GREENS

Pegram's current upgrading project involves extending the ninth and 18th greens on the original Bermuda Run course. "In the past, members complained of too much slope," he said. "We used Basamid granules to gas the backs of these greens and started seeding them in 10 days later. We did tarp the areas for 24 hours following the Basamid application, since we're closed on Mondays, and play resumed with very few problems."

Ten feet was added to the back of the 18th green to add five more possible pin

placements. "We installed annual mist heads around them to keep seeds and seedlings moist and to decrease erosion," said Pegram. "We hope to get a couple of years out of it to put rebuilding on the back burner and to please members quickly with little disruption."

PRACTICE ARBOR

The club owner, Don Angell, didn't like the idea of metal hitting cages for the club, so Pegram devised the idea for a practice arbor. "It was actually less expensive and a lot more fitting than the metal cages on the market," explained Pegram. Located at the BR West facility, Wisteria vines will grow to help cover the arbor by next year, according to Pegram.

The resort has hosted The Crosby Invitational Celebrity Golf Tournament since 1986. "The tournament is the largest charity sporting event in the nation," said Pegram. "I'm currently making plans to host a Senior Tour event here in May 2003.



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"I have a great staff here, and I get along extremely well with upper management," he added. "I realize that could change overnight, but I'm enjoying it now. I hope that when I leave here, I'm known for my flowers and aesthetics as well as my greenkeeping capabilities."

PEGRAM'S TOOLS

GREENS MOWERS: Toro, 4 riding/18 walking

TEE MOWERS: 3 Toro

FAIRWAY MOWERS: 3 Ransomes, 2 Toro

ROUGH MOWERS: 2 Jacobsen, 1 Toro

RIDING BUNKER RAKES: 3 Toro

TURF UTILITY VEHICLES: 6 Carry-all, 3 Toro Workman

VERTI-CUT REELS: 1 Toro Triplex

AERIFIERS: 2 Toro walking, 1 John Deere Aercore

TOPDRESSERS: 1 Toro Tagalong, 1 walking

Metermatic

GROOMING REELS: 1 Toro Triplex

TOURNAMENT SPEED ROLLER: Toro Triplex

REEL GRINDER: Foley

BEDKNIFE GRINDER: Foley

IRRIGATION PUMP STATION: 1 GSI, 1800 gpm; 1 Berkley, 900 gpm; 1 Flowtronex, 500gpm

IRRIGATION SYSTEM: Toro

GOLF CAR FLEET: Club Car, electric

FLAGSTICKS: Lesco

COMPUTER & ACCESSORIES: Toro SitePro Central, Trims 2000 software

PRIMARY HERBICIDE: MSMA/Trimec combination

PRIMARY INSECTICIDE: Talstar

PRIMARY FUNGICIDE: Allictte/Fore combination

PRIMARY SLOW-RELEASE FERTILIZER: AgriTurf (Lange)

ONE THING YOU CANNOT LIVE WITH-

OUT: Water

OLDEST PIECE OF EQUIPMENT: Jacobson gang mower, 20 years old.

TOTAL SQUARE FOOTAGE OF MAINTENANCE BUILDING(S): 15,000 sq. ft.

ANNUAL ROUNDS OF GOLF: 25,000

NORMAL GREEN SPEED: 8.5' to 9'



Wisteria vines will grow to help cover the BR West's practice arbor by next year.

Environmental Golf adds Ledges Golf Club

CALABASAS, Calif. — Environmental Golf has signed a multi-million dollar golf course maintenance contract with the Town of South Hadley, Mass., for the city-owned Ledges Golf Club. Opened to the public in August, the par 72, 6,507-yard Ledges layout is an 18-hole



design by the Howard Maurer Design Group. The five-year agreement covers agronomic resources and maintenance on the course as well as the club's landscape and includes a fixed fee for grow-in services. Superintendent Mike Jordon, who has overseen the grow-in, will head up the maintenance team at the Ledges. The course is the third property in Environmental Golf's Northeast portfolio.

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