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Hole No. 11 | The Country Club at Mirasol, Sunrise Course | Palm
Raised greens and their many undulations are hallmarks of the Sunrise Course at the Country Club at Mirasol. This Tom Fazio-designed course has challenged pros playing in the Honda Classic PGA Tour event for the past three years.

"It's a very pleasurable course to play," says director of grounds Tad Altman. "It's challenging and aesthetically beautiful."

A medium par 3 at 221 yards, hole No. 11 confronts golfers with a surround green integrating many ripples and waves in the playing surface. With too much spin on the shot, the ball will likely hit a roll and trickle off the green.

A large bunker to the left circles halfway around the back of the green and a crushed-rock cart path on the right is flanked by 400 acres of preserve area.

Altman works closely with golf course superintendents Mike Thomas (Sunrise Course) and Scott Chastain (Sunset Course) to manage the 36 holes at Mirasol. Native grasses blowing in from the 800 acres of preserve, annual sedge, nutsedge and crabgrass are ongoing weed challenges.

A micro-program and biological control program supplement pre-emergent herbicide applications made several times throughout the year. Altman and his staff incorporate Basagran® T/O herbicide on a daily basis for spot-spraying any breakthrough weeds including yellow nutsedge and annual sedges.

"We have several staff members spot-treating with 2-gallon pump-up sprayers where the product is needed, including greens, fairways, tees and roughs," says Altman. "Basagran is a no brainer. I call it a workhorse — the weeds are gone in a week, and it's a staple for our facility."

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