

EDGEWOOD TAHOE GOLF COURSE - by John Williams

Edgewood Tahoe Golf Course is an 18 hole public golf course located on the South Shore of Lake Tahoe. The course was completed in the fall of 1967 and opened for play in May of 1968. It is located on the waters edge of Lake Tahoe behind the three major hotels in Stateline, Nevada. The last three holes are located on the edge of the Lake and I feel are the prettiest on the course.

We are open for play from the first of May to the first of November or later, depending upon the fall snows. During the summer months we will average around 280 rounds per day. Last year during our six months of operation we had in excess of 27,000 rounds of golf. One half of our play is made up of tournaments anywhere from small company tournaments of 20 players to the Del Webb classic of 250 players.

The course is 7,411 yards from the pro tees and 6,885 yards from the regular tees. The ratings are: professional 74, mens 69, and ladies 72.

Our temperatures vary quite a bit through the year. In the spring and fall we will have night time temperatures from the mid 20's to the mid 30's and day time highs in the 50's and mid 60's. Summertime temperatures during the nights will be in the 40's and days in the 60's and 70's.

The course was constructed with sand greens and the fairway and tees are planted on decomposed granite. This required a high amount of irrigation especially when this is combined with strong westerly winds we have almost every afternoon and evening. Last year we applied slightly under 100 million gallons of water from May 1st to October 15th.

The crew ranges from 14 to 15 men in the spring and fall to 18 to 20 men in the summer. I'm also trying something new for us this year which is working quite well and that is I have three girls on the crew.. Two of them operate the greens mowers and one operates the mechanical sand trap rake.

Our watering system proved to be somewhat of a difficulty in that it was very inadequate for our requirements. In the last three years we have been revising it. The first phase was to loop all the original main lines. Next we installed a larger pump station and now we are relocating the heads so that they are on 90' centers.

This is a brief rundown of our course and its operation. Hope to see you here in June.

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