

IRRIGATION CHECKLIST

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THOMPSON - SAFE-T-LAWN
- ✓ COMPLETE DESIGN SERVICE



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U.S. OPEN GOLF AT MEDINAH C.C.

The question is asked many times, what are the necessary preparations for the host club sponsoring a golf tournament such as the United States Open which will be held at Medinah Country Club on June 19-22. Is it necessary to do construction or reconstruction improvements on the golf course? With this in mind the "editor", one who devoted several years in the beginning of Medinah C.C., decided to find out from *John Jackman*, the Superintendent.

The editor's observation in regards to the playing conditions during the summer months on #3 course, "this is the one the U.S. Open will be played on," is that it is always in tournament condition.

The following points of information are those that *John, Supt.*, furnished me and I pass along to you.

Three years ago on May 19 the club voted to have the U.S. Open. It has been a very fast three years.

That fall we fertilized roughs. Other than that we top dressed greens and our other construction took place the following year.

We cut the hill on #5 fairway in front of the tee so you can see the landing area. We planted fifty trees on the left and the right side to make a contoured fairway and a much more interesting hole.

We added a fairway trap on the right side of #10 which goes from 240 to 280 yds. This should catch some balls.

We closed the only trap on the right side of #16 green. We rebuilt #2, 9 and 17 tees. This change was in the championship tee area. It lengthened the course some, but gave us more teeing area.

That is all the construction we have done. No greens were changed for the tournament.

We have been top dressing more, approximately 10 times, since we have known about the tournament. We have not aerified since Spring of 1974. Have been doing a lot of hand watering on greens. Did considerable seeding with soil added on fairways the past three years.

We are in the process of trimming dead wood out of many trees around the greens and tees. We will not be cutting the rough until after the tournament.

This Spring we have fertilized the rough to make it heavier, (height 5½", requirement) for tournament play. Width of fairways are 28 to 33 yds.

Right now telephone lines are mostly in. ABC has located towers and T.V. camera placements. Most of T.V. cables and cameras will be installed approximately one week prior to the tournament. We are planning on having traps edged and greens cut at tournament height approximately June 1. From this point on we will be doing our daily maintenance and last minute details only, hopefully!

Class A national members will be admitted by showing their card. They must go to the "will call" tent located in Lake Park High School parking lot. A shuttle bus will bring them to the club. They will not be permitted to come on the grounds with their car or to my shop area. No Exceptions. If not a member of the National, contact Lee Record for letter to receive a pass. Class A National card holders only will be admitted without a letter. This will be strictly controlled.

Whoever acquires knowledge but does not practice it, is like one who plows a field but does not sow it.