

## MIDWEST BREEZES

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In preparation for the 82nd U.S. Amateur Public Links Championship on July 9-14, Scott and his staff have taken on a tremendous amount of in-house tee and bunker remodeling. Jacobson Golf Design put together the master plan, and Riordan Renovations continues to assist with major shaping projects.

In one area of deep rough Scott spread the spoils of contaminated sand from an old bunker, and seeded the area to fine fescue. Scott has observed that over an eight year period, the fescues have performed considerably better on a sandy growing medium than they have on an adjoining clay topsoil mound that was seeded at the same time with the same grasses.

In the photo, to the right, Scott is pointing at the clay mound, and you can see that the fescues are growing too aggressively – the ball which lands here will be lost or unplayable, whereas in the areas below the mound, where the fescues are growing on sand, the ball is easy to locate and certainly not impossible to advance. -OC



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*Many bunker renovations have taken place at Cantigny as shown below on the Woodside Course (no. 1 top before and after, and no. 9 below before and after)*

