



Nestled among southwestern Utah's red canyon walls and untamed foothills, 27-hole Sunbrook Golf Club offers golfers dramatic desert panoramas and hole variety. The Ted Robinson-designed course embraces the natural landscape, including sandstone cliffs, 300-year-old cottonwood trees and lava flow remnants.

"Every hole is uniquely native," said Jerome Jones, director of golf course maintenance for the city and supervisor at Sunbrook since 2001. "As a result, we've got to keep our eye out for snakes, cougars and coyotes."

Maintaining high-level playing conditions in a desert environment is not easy. "Heat is our biggest issue - 117-degree weather doesn't tend to agree with turf," Jones said. "It's tough to keep grass alive with such high temps."

The emerald-green putting surface on hole No. 2 of Sunbrook's nine called The Point is a testament to Jones and his 12-person crew's triumph over the scorching elements. Before players can appreciate Hole 2's pristine three-tiered green, they must drive both uphill and against the wind onto a narrow, 521-yard fairway.

"It's a long, tough hole with steep hills guarding both sides and very little rough to stop the ball from traveling into desert area," Jones warns.

Jones prevents disease from harming his nurtured turf by using Insignia® fungicide. "I'm old school," Jones said. "I prefer to avoid rapid blight and other diseases before I get them by making preventive applications. Then I don't have to worry."

For broad-spectrum peace of mind, Jones rotates applications of Insignia at a rate of 0.9 ounces per 1,000 square feet every other month.

"Insignia provides great control and is reasonably priced," he said. "It's really a one-size-fits-all solution."

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