

Woodhill Country Club Noted For Environmental Excellence

Woodhill Country Club in Wayzata, Minnesota has achieved designation as a "Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary" by the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary System, a program of the Audubon Society of New York and endorsed by the United States Golf Association. Woodhill Country Club is the fourth golf course in Minnesota and sixtieth in the nation to receive the honor.

Woodhill joined the program in 1993 which provides information and guidance to golf courses to help them preserve and enhance wildlife habitat and protect natural resources.

"Woodhill Country Club has shown a strong commitment to its environmental program. They are to be commended for their efforts to provide a sanctuary for wildlife on the golf course property," said Marla Briggs, staff ecologist for the Audubon Society of New York.

"To reach certification a club must demonstrate that they are maintaining a high degree of environmental quality in a number of areas," explained Briggs. These categories include Environmental Planning, Wildlife and Habitat Enhancement, Integrated Pest Management, Water Conservation and Water Quality Management.

"Our goal," says Golf Course Superintendent Rick

Fredericksen, "is to provide a golf course that has an abundance of natural habitat to provide food and cover for wildlife. Several areas on the golf course grounds have been converted to prairie grasses and flowers that will provide this type of natural habitat. The sanctuary program assists us in developing these natural areas and provides information on environmentally friendly maintenance procedures.

Preventive Maintenance—

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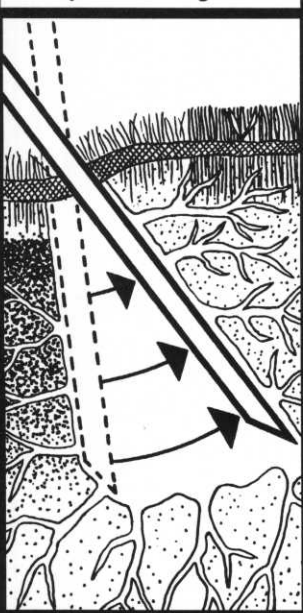
if your well efficiency has dropped 25%, from 40 to 30 for example from initial construction or from the latest well work, you should undertake some rehabilitation. If you let your efficiency deteriorate further, you run a significant risk of permanent damage to the well. As you can see, early recognition of a well that is losing efficiency is critical to returning that well to optimum production capacity at the least possible cost.

In the next issue of *Hole Notes*, I intend to discuss pump maintenance and what are some of the critical symptoms of a pump system that requires repair.

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