



grounds newsletter

Most of the golf course will back to normal this week after the storm on Thursday night (August 24, 2023). Thank you for your patience as we cleaned the property. The storm produced 60+ mph winds causing a power outage and leaving the golf course littered with debris and downed/damaged trees.



Our first action after a severe weather event is to assess any damage and locate safety concerns for members and employees. Fortunately, this storm did not yield any immediate safety concerns such as trees blocking entrances or exits, damage to buildings, hanging limbs over high traffic areas, etc. After safety concerns are evaluated we then prioritize clean up. Our staff will often divide into teams as we prioritize the clubhouse grounds, the golf course green complexes, tee complexes, fairways, then rough. After debris is blown off the playing surfaces our staff will pick up limbs, by hand, and a rough mower will mulch any leaves.



Many greens were heavily covered. Roughly 15 man hours was used to clear the East/West and practice greens.



Often, debris on greens and tees is removed using a backpack blower as to minimize damage to the playing surface or surrounding area.



Some slight damage occurred on #5 green (East) from a fallen tree limb. This will heal quickly and not too much different than a ball mark.



Debris on #5 fairway



The staff working hole by hole to pick up small to medium size sticks and limbs



An average of 6 to 9 cart loads of debris was removed from each hole.



Damage between 10 and 12



Maple tree right side of #12



Right side of #16

Obviously, with an extensive clean up task we were not able to perform our routine mowing and details for the day. It always takes a few days to get back on schedule and the golf course in normal condition. Thank you for your understanding.