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Ponkapoag Golf Course, Where Mother Nature is Winning

An interview of Golf Course Superintendent
Mark Brady

By **Jeff Urquhart**, Newsletter Editor



I had the opportunity to talk with Mark earlier this summer. We drove around for almost three hours and discussed the past, present and future of the course. Everyone knows about “Ponky”, but do they really? What is there to know about “Ponky”? We all have once said “Ponkapoag, it’s a great layout but...” or “Why did they give up on maintaining 9 holes?” and “Who’s the guy running the place now?” Maybe by the end of this article some of those questions will be answered.

Luckily, the day we met was not a day that Mark Brady had to water the golf course. I assume you are wondering why that would matter. Did the central go down, was there a low pressure shut-off in the pumphouse, did the satellites stop communicating, did the lightning device shut down the system? The answer to all of those questions would be NO. The real answer is because on the days that Mark waters he shows up at 1 AM to manually water the course, yes manually water the golf course. By 2 AM he has 24 heads going (QCV with impacts, gated zones etc) and continues that process until 8 AM when he finishes up. No wires, no satellites, no handhelds, no pressure switches in the pumphouse, no central, no flow manager etc. When you look up manual irrigation there should be a picture of Ponkapoag Golf Course. He added “I have irrigation issues all over the place that I know of and who knows how many I don’t know of?” So next time your radio acts up or your cell phone doesn’t adjust the percentage right away, think



about what Mark deals with right in our own backyard.

Surprisingly this wasn’t Mark’s first manually irrigated golf course. He has been in the golf course business for over 20 years attaining experience at 6 different courses in two different states. Mark began his journey at Pleasant Valley where he worked for 9 seasons. From there he went to Whitinsville, later to return here several years later. After his first stint at Whitinsville he went to Green Hill, then Tatnuck, Burning Tree in Maryland, returning to Whitinsville and then Monoosnock. He hopes to stay at Ponkapoag as long as something is done to get the course back to what it should be. Mark has construction background, so he is the right man to do the job. “At one time in our business, that’s what guys did, they went to one course and they stayed there forever.” said Mark. As with most of us, Mark is an avid golfer and does his best to obtain the best playing conditions possible with what he has to work with. “I focus all my attention on playability, because as a golfer that’s most important.”



Donald Ross designed the first 9 holes of Ponkapoag in 1936. He then added 18 holes in 1939 with William Mitchell adding another 9 in 1954. Since then Mother Nature has taken back 9 of Ross’s holes that were designed in 1939. They have been abandoned

due to drainage problems and extreme neglect over several years. There was some maintenance on a few of the 9 holes, but Mark was convinced it was a waste of time and labor. With a limited staff consisting of 10 men, no assistant

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maintained. There is a completely different feel on Mitchell's holes, but the same signs of years of neglect were apparent. All the fairway bunkers had been grown over and most of the tees were dirt when Mark arrived. We continued to drive by bunkers that were 100% crabgrass. Some are hard to recognize because they have now become part of the rough mowers routine to be cut. Coming from his previous golf courses he said "I have to look at everything in a different perspective, otherwise I'd go crazy." Thankfully Mark has a community service program that stops by twice a week to help with maintaining the bunkers and other tasks he designates for them.

As we drove around the golf course we were stopped by several people, keep in mind Ponkapoag is a public golf course with some golfers who pay a small amount of money to be members. Below are a few comments, questions and complaints that people had while they were playing golf and felt obligated to flag us down and let Mark know.



Golfer 1. "Hey what's with that depression on the 3rd green, it's been that way for 15 years?"

Mark "It's on the list."

Golfer 2. "Who's cuttin' for you out hea, they're not puttin the makas back?"

Mark "I will take care of it."

Golfer 3. " Hey, I played over the week-end and the cup was rounded in with grass, my ball hit the inside edge of the cup!"

Mark " We do set-up 7 days a week, you must have played in the afternoon, I'm sorry."

Mark then addressed Ponkapoag's potential and how he would love to tackle most projects in-house. He feels to make it palatable to get voted in it would be very important to keep costs down. The obvious renovation would be to improve the drainage on the abandoned holes in order to make them maintainable. The drainage has failed to a point where wetland plant species are re-establishing themselves in the middle of fairways on some of the abandoned holes. Mark had an interesting idea to kill all the different grasses, weeds and other plant species once water is successfully moving through the course. He'd like to see a controlled burn take place. This would wipe the slate clean so they could start all over similar to a grow in process. During that stage Mark would like to see more local University input. He stated "We're a state run facility with one of the best turf schools in the country (UMass Amherst) and we don't have a relationship with them?" Hopefully this will change.

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Chapter Manager Search Update

By Michael Stachowicz, Vice President GCSANE

About two months ago, President Adams tasked me with forming a committee to search for Sharon Brownell's (our Executive Secretary) replacement after she announced her intent to retire at the end of the year. This committee consists of Mark Gagne (GCSANE Treasurer), Scott Lagana (Finance Chair), Jim Fitzroy (GCSANE and GCSAA Past President), Bob Ruzsala (GCSANE Past President), and Chris Peterson (as an affiliate's representative). We drew up a job description, developed a compensation package, constructed a timeline, and sent out the job announcement.

The acceptance period for resumes was completed on September 19th. We received fifty resumes from various sources like Monster.com, GCSAA, GCSANE, International Association of Golf Administrators, and the New England Society of Association Executives. It was very eye opening to see all of those who were interested in working for us.

The search committee met on the 22nd and culled the fifty one resumes down to ten and then to the four we are going to interview. Interviews will take place in October at the MGA headquarters in Norton. We hope to go to the

Board with a recommendation of one or two candidates by the end of October. This will allow us to have someone in place in November to work side by side with Sharon before her last day in December.

This Chapter Manager will be a great asset to our association. As technology has changed and as superintendents' jobs have changed, the need for a full time association manager has become apparent. Volunteering as a board or committee member has become more difficult as our jobs and family place more demands on us as individuals. This person we are looking for will start to fill in the gaps that board members miss.

Sharon has been great through this process. She has made herself available and supported us in our efforts. The amount of history and institutional knowledge she has is essential to our organization. We are very fortunate to have someone like Sharon who cares enough about the association (and us as people) enough to give us ample warning and support to help ease the transition. She will be missed. ❖

GCSANE Newsletter possibly going to print... here are your responses

Jeff,
Keeping the newsletter digital is where my vote would go. Printing it is a waste of money and resources. Ironically, I find myself reading it more diligently now that it is digital as well. If the old timers don't have a computer by now....they should. Could we print out a couple dozen that could be available for the people that are adamant about having it back in print available at the meetings for them to grab? Just seems like a waste of paper, time, money to me.

Jeff,
I think it would be a good idea to send out the newsletter. My thoughts are to mail it out quarterly. I would also like to see this mailed to our owners, green chairman, general manager or who ever the superintendent would like to see it go. The MGA, WMGA, Ouimet BOD etc.also. I look at sending this out to show and educate the golf world that needs to hear us and what we are doing.

My thoughts. Thank you for wanting to hear from us.

Jeff,
I would like to see the printed version Newsletter. ❖



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An irrigation upgrade would be the next essential item to help Ponkapoag achieve better playing conditions. Mark has some great ideas for this process as well. For the past decade or so the fairways have not been irrigated, there is no time and the pumps would not be able to handle the added demand for water when the greens and tees are being watered as well. Therefore the turf regularly goes dormant and beyond dormancy. The following season there are stronger



strains of grasses that can handle the extreme drought conditions. "We're already sustainable, by accident," Mark said after driving over fairway locations that were dead in 2010. For an upgrade, he would simply ask for gated looped zones around the greens and tees. This would make watering much easier than it is now and the added coverage would help maintain the turf at tournament levels.

The bunkers at Ponkapoag have been neglected for several years. Most, if not all of the fairway bunkers are grown over and filled with crabgrass, some of the greenside bunkers as well. They have purchased a mini excavator to move forward with a bunker restoration project. The bunkers will be completely shelled out, re-shaped and filled with new sand. Hopefully the project gets approved and Mark can start bringing them back to original design in the near future.

There are other concerns with the golf course, but we focused on the essential ones to get Ponkapoag back on the map. He'd love to see all of them get approved, but being state run makes it very difficult to get the proper funding. Mark says that they are a "throwback" golf course. After driving the course, it became very obvious to me why he said that when we first met. For 3 hours I did not stop asking questions and my eyes were wide open taking in every sight to seen. The parking lot was jammed and the putting green was filled with kids taking lessons learning the game of golf. Not one of them knew or even cared about the past, present or future of Ponkapoag Golf Course. I hope that after reading this at least now you do. ❖

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Thinking About It

By Don Hearn



I recently read that the Atlanta Athletic Club, Ken Mangum, Superintendent, and the PGA of America are being sued by GreensPerfection, LLC and Rodney Lingle. (Mr. Lingle has the patent to GreensPerfection Brushes.)

Plaintiffs, GreensPerfection and Mr. Lingle, have sued on the grounds that brushes they supplied were falsely reported by Ken Mangum as causing damage to the 14th and 17th greens during the PGA Championship held at Atlanta Athletic Club last month.

I watched some of the PGA Championship on television but missed the hoopla surrounding what turned into a big deal for some because of the attention created by the television commentators. Actually, it turned out to be a very minor, albeit unexpected, blip in the preparations for the championship.

What happened was very unusual. During mowing of the greens a small patch of turf was torn up on two of the greens. From what I can tell, each patch was somewhere around two or three square feet. For a period of time this six

square feet of turf dominated the telecast.

Because of where the damage took place a decision was made to replace the turf with the same type of grass from a practice green. Apparently, the nursery wasn't mature enough for the turf to be taken from it. The sod was replaced, tamped down and smoothed, and marked as ground under repair. No big deal. The championship went on without any problems related to the repaired areas.

We all know lawsuits can be filed for virtually anything, but this one has me baffled. Nowhere have I read that a particular brand of brush caused the damage. And what's wrong with stating a belief about what you think may have caused a problem? Maybe there's more going on behind the scenes than I'm aware of. It will be interesting to see how this suit ends.

Regardless, it sends a message to all of us that someone may be out there waiting to hear something they think is unkind, or possibly damaging, and then file a lawsuit. What a crazy world! ❖



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Charting a Return Course

By John Reitman

It isn't often that the Northeast is associated with catastrophic hurricane damage. Then again, Irene was no ordinary hurricane.

A day after making landfall on Aug. 27 near Cape Lookout, N.C., Irene rushed back out to sea and came ashore again near Egg Harbor, N.J. Hugging every last inch of New Jersey's 170 miles of coastline, Irene dealt New York City a direct hit before moving on to New England. It was the first hurricane since 1903 to make landfall in New Jersey, according to the National Weather Service. Although she was a mere tropical storm by the time her rain bands swept into New England, Irene's presence will be felt for a long time to come.

Located 100 miles from the Atlantic, the Quechee Club in east-central Vermont was in Irene's crosshairs only for a brief time. But a few hours was all that was needed to lay a course located in a floodplain and leave superintendent Ken Lallier, CGCS, with more questions than answers about when operations there will return to normal.

Massive amounts of rain on Aug. 28 led the Ottauquechee River, which bisects the Quechee Club, to run over its banks, causing severe erosion and leaving much of the 36-hole facility carpeted with silt.

Four holes on the club's Highland Course suffered mild to severe damage, but the upland layout should return to normal operations in short order. However, the low-lying Lakeland Course was decimated, and just when it will re-open and how much repairs will cost are unclear, said superintendent Ken Lallier.

"We don't know yet," Lallier said. "We're still evaluating that."

The swollen river swept away parts of the course and left other areas covered in several inches of muck, rock and debris. Among the items littering the course were commercial propane tanks, some as large as 2,000 gallons, that were swept away from a dealer 8 miles upstream in Woodstock. Agricultural runoff and material from two compromised sewage plants upstream have left the club's irrigation pond polluted with as much as 8 feet of silt and an unconfirmed fecal coliform level that Lallier said "must be off the charts."

"We have serious contamination in that lake," Lallier said.

"Right now, it smells like a farm field out there. Anything you can imagine being in floodwater is in this lake."

The manmade impoundment is lined, so getting equipment into the pond itself is not an option, Lallier said. He expects the state's Department of Environmental Conservation to consider the muck to be toxic, which means it cannot be dumped or returned to the river. Since the course is built in a floodplain, burying the sediment on site is impossible also. U.S. Aqua Vac, a nationwide firm with offices in eight states, will remove the silt, but where the company will take it is, like many things at Quechee right now, a question without an answer.

"Long term, we have to deal with that lake," he said. "That's a big issue."

"It will be a massive volume of material. What do I do with it? Is the liner compromised? If so, then what?"

Wide around her girth, Irene stretched more than 600 miles in diameter when she came shore in North Carolina and again in New Jersey. Her status as a tropical storm did little to soften her impact on an area unaccustomed to tropical weather.

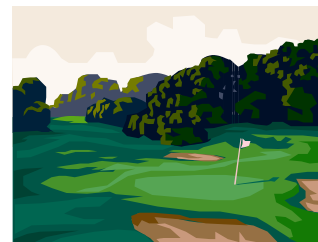
As much as 8 inches of rain fell at the club on Aug. 28. But more importantly, up to a foot of rain dumped at Killington Peak, a 4,500-foot-high mountain located some 20 miles upstream. All of that rain running down the side of the mountain was more than the Ottauquechee could handle as it picked up debris and deposited it along all points downstream. Irene's flooding rains were short-lived and within 24 hours the Ottauquechee was back within its banks. But by then the damage had been done.

Only one bridge spans the Ottauquechee to connect the course, and one of its entrance ramps that was built upon a foundation of huge rocks and boulders was washed away like a handful of pebbles rendering the bridge temporarily impassible and throwing into question its safety for future use.

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Lallier's crew has rebuilt the ramp, and the rest of the bridge appears to be stable, but "getting an engineer to give it a stamp of approval is going to be an issue," he said.

Flooding is nothing new at the Quechee Club. Located in a floodplain, the course experiences flooding events on a regular basis. However, those events typically occur in winter when the snowmelt sends water rushing down the sides of Killington Peak and into the Ottauquechee.

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- Ken Lallier

Lallier rented four skid steers and the crew was dispatched to remove muck from the bentgrass/Poa turf using shovels, scoops and anything else they could find to tackle the daunting task. The club has retained Alan Dunklee Excavating to rebuild the riverbank along the course.

"There was 1 to 3 feet of silt on every tee, green and fairway of the Lakeland Course," Lallier said. "A normal flood here is in March with ice. Those events leave us with little silt, so they're not a big deal because the ground is frozen. In this event, you have 3 feet of silt on top of saturated growing turf. You have two to three days to get it off. And it's hard to get it off because it's so gooey, and the turf is soft, so no matter what you do it's going to scar the turf some. Any fair-

way turf we didn't get cleaned off within two days was dead."

Because of the damage a planned renovation of the Highland back nine, the only part of the 36-hole property that has been unaffected, has been put on hold.

"That's the only thing open right now," Lallier said. "If we closed it for renovation we wouldn't have anything to play on."

MacCurrach Golf Construction, which had completed a renovation of the Highland front nine last year, was to do the back nine restoration. Instead, the company now is focused on making repairs to four damaged holes on the front.

Damage is minor on Nos. 6 and 7 with less than an acre of turf affected. But problems on the first and eighth holes is more severe, with more than half the putting surface of No. 1 gone and most of the surrounds on 8.

"MacCurrach is restoring those four holes (Nos. 1, 6, 7, 8) so we can have 18 holes to play next spring," Lallier said. "We're still trying to determine what to do with the Lakeland Course; renovate it, or just open it."

The clock is ticking on the Lakeland layout as the window for reseeding, probably early to mid-October at the latest, is quickly closing.

"What my crew did in two weeks was amazing," Lallier said. "That's the good news. The bad news is there is still a lot to do and the window is closing, and we are less than certain about what we can do before winter sets in and what we can do before next summer." ♦

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Hotel rooms will be available for those who are traveling, please contact Mike Cornicelli Jr to **RSVP ASAP** and for more info @ 401-826-2584.

Thanks and we look forward to seeing everyone for a relaxed day of fun!

HOW ABOUT IT? How about freshening up your course for the Fall play by painting your out-of-bound stakes, tee markers, etc. again? How about planting plenty of nursery area for next year's plugs? Are you planting seed or stolons? Or both? Have you planned your Fali work? Do you use our advertisers as you should? Do you help make this NEWSLETTER a success? HOW ABOUT IT?

August 1930



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*The total savings over 5 Year period is up to 195% of purchase price

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*Return on investment will be reached within the first 18 months

*Will produce clean renewable energy for many years to come

*Cutting edge technology of our solar panels and controllers constantly provides power

*Maximum sunlight allows carts to operate at peak performance all the time

*Increase Battery Cycles by reducing the Depth of Discharge (longer battery life)

*Conservatively will offset 250 lbs of CO2 for Each Electric Cart each Year.

*Solar rather than Fossil Fuel Carts Reduces 452 Pounds CO2 Per Cart Per Year

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our condolences are extended to the Hastings family on the passing of James H. Hastings III, age 30, after a brief illness. James was the Golf Course Superintendent of Pine Meadows Golf Club, Lexington, MA.

Our condolences are extended to the Kelley family on the passing of Biff Kelley on September 28, 2011. Biff was a past president of the Massachusetts Golf Association and a long time member of the Milton Hoosic Club.

As in the past, *The Newsletter* continues to invite Affiliate members to submit a press release about new personnel, new products or a company bio. We will print each and every release **free of charge**. This is a great way to advertise for free. Who said nothing in this world is free? Free advertising to better your company, wow what an offer. Who could turn this down, you ask? I have the answer for you-ALL of the Friend and Affiliate members of GCSANE. There hasn't been one submission for years. I ask all Friend and Affiliate members to offer some advice to see how we can make a better offer.

Jeff Urquhart, Editor

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Applications are being reviewed as they arrive, and since seating is limited earlier applications have a higher probability of acceptance. Although the application deadline for international students has passed, applications from Canada may be submitted as late as September 30.

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CALENDAR

October 12:

GCSANE Member/Guest Tournament

Hopkinton Country Club

Hosts: John O'Donnell, Director of Agronomy and Ryan Gaffey, Superintendent

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

September 19, 2011 - Glen Ellen Country Club

Host: Jeffrey James

1st Net: David Stowe 73

2nd Net: Jeff James 75

1st Gross: Fred Murray 80

2nd Gross: Mike Turner 85

Closest to the pin 9 feet 7 inches - Joe Rybka 8th hole.



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For more information, please contact Jeff Urquhart at 781-828-2953 or jmartin101@gmail.com

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