



# February 2015 Turf Talk

Punxsutawney Phil, the world's most beloved and seasonal groundhog, saw his shadow on Monday morning, proclaiming six more weeks of winter.

It is hard to believe we are in our second month of the 2015 golf season. Going into February, we want to keep the momentum on every course on the right track with our over seeding and playing conditions for the residents. We have had incredible fluctuations in weather and temperatures which has challenged our maintenance contractors to continually supply quality playing conditions to date. They have completed this task with the utmost professionalism. We encourage all of you enjoying the facilities to assist us in our endeavors in maintenance by practicing proper "Golf Etiquette" and playing "Ready Golf" so everyone that plays has the best golf experience possible. Players cooperation in these two areas will greatly impact not only maintenance goals but enhance the over all customer experience for your fellow resident golfers. By repairing your ball marks, raking bunkers, keeping reasonable accommodation passes 15 feet from putting & tee surfaces, filling your divots and playing from the tees that commensurate with your ability all impact our courses. When performing some of these smallest of tasks, players on the course make a positive difference that affects everyone's enjoyment.

During Frost delays, remaining off of the playing surfaces is extremely important. Please be patient and wait for your starters to give the all clear before proceeding onto turf surfaces.



Silver Lake  
Hill Top  
De La Vista  
Chula Vista  
Mira Mesa  
El Diablo  
El Santiago  
Saddlebrook  
Hawks Bay  
Walnut Grove  
Briarwood  
Amberwood  
Oakleigh  
Pimlico  
Churchill  
Belmont

Yankee Clipper  
Southern Star  
Bonita Pass  
Red Fish Run  
Tarpon Boil  
Heron  
Pelican  
Bogart  
Bacall  
Sandhill  
Turtle Mound  
Truman  
Roosevelt  
Palmetto  
Sweetgum  
Mangrove

## ***TURF TIP:***

### *Frost Delay and turf-*

This is caused by micro climates at leaf level falling around 32 degrees.

These cold temperatures are enough to cause cell walls in plant tissue to become brittle and break. This kills the leaf by disturbing the natural flow of nutrients and photosynthesis process.

Frost Delays are used to stop traffic from breaking plant leaves until thawing can occur.