

Harbour Plaza Golf Club Grounds Maintenance Message January-February 2016

Happy New Year and Happy "Year of the Monkey"

On behalf of all of us in the Grounds Maintenance Department we appreciate all of your support for our golf club in 2015. The first half of 2016 promises to be a challenging year, however the works we completed in 2015 and the works we are currently doing along with the golf club rectification works will insure the best possible quality golf course that we can produce moving forward.

In addition to the rectification works we will complete the following works:

- Renovate and rebuild a total of 20 bunkers on the front nine and the middle nine.
- Replace all of the mutated grasses around the collars of each green and the approaches up to 80 yards from each green. This work will be done concurrently with the rectification project for each nine holes, so our green surrounds playability will be greatly improved without any negative affect to you.
- We will start our Irrigation System renovation and complete the middle and back nines in 2016. This renovation will make a huge improvement in our ability to manage our water which will also result in much improved turf conditions.
- With the temporary closing of each nine holes for the rectification works, we will also be able to do most if not all of our cultural works on each nine holes during the closed period. This means that our heavy coring, verticutting and topdressing will be done in such a time to minimally affect you. It will also result in stronger turf conditions.
- We are now beginning an extensive tree pruning program that will help our weak turf areas around greens, tees, fairways and roughs to begin to strengthen.

The goal for all of our projects is to create a high quality environmentally friendly, sustainable golf course for most of the year. We all understand the difficulties of growing high quality turf grass in Southern China but the works being competed this year will result in stronger turf conditions for a longer period throughout the year.

Once again, thanks for all of your support.

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