



**THE VERMONT
GOLF ASSOCIATION**



Dear Fall 4-Ball Participant,

The VGA and our teams at Stowe Country Club & the Mountain Course is looking forward to welcoming you as a competitor for the annual Fall 4-Ball event in Stowe.

You may have already heard that we were presented with the opportunity to renovate two of our greens and construction is now underway. We are excited to continue the long-term transformation of Stowe Country Club into one of the elite playing courses in Vermont. The first phases of our master plan occurred over the past several years with tree clearing, new tee boxes, more drainage and fescue grow-in. Now comes the next major phase of the plan, which will consist of a complete redesign/reconstruction of the #7 and #8 approach and green complexes.

Though this project will have some effect on the tournament experience at SCC, we have excellent plans in place to mitigate the impact and offer a fantastic 18 holes of golf as the new greens on holes #7 & #8 are built. As always, the Mountain Course is in wonderful shape and there will be no impact to your experience there. The overall adjustments to the SCC golf course for the tournament and remainder of 2021 will be as follows:

- We will play a temporary green on #7 in the fairway just below the existing green. The hole will still play as a par 4.
- The 8th hole would be close completely and traffic would be directed from #7 green to #9 tees
- The first hole would be cut into 2 holes
 - We will build a short par 4 off the existing tees with a temporary green in the fairway.
 - We will build a par 3 from a temporary tee box in the fairway up to the existing green.
 - There will be a gap between these two holes for construction traffic coming off Sinclair Drive
- Auto-two putts are permitted once inside the temporary green but you may attempt your first putt.

We secured Beau Welling Design to begin work on these two green complexes identified as the most critical to making the experience of our members and annual tournament participants better. This project came together very quickly when we discovered a highly reputable golf construction company was currently working in Burlington that could immediately transition to Stowe creating an opportunity we could not refuse. Following exhaustive discussions about timing, it was unanimously agreed that September is the perfect time of year to perform the work. This allows us to design, complete construction and start growing the new greens before winter sets in. Furthermore, mobilizing now versus spring is the difference between us opening next May versus next July or August and potentially missing the main part of next season.

As a Club we are excited about the project and know you will enjoy it in the future. We thank you in advance for your understanding and support as we strive to improve SCC. It will certainly make the course better generations to come and is a testament to our long-term commitment to our members, guests, and the future of our beautiful property.

We look forward to welcoming you to SCC,

Michael Harger, PGA
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