

**ALBERTA REPORT  
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**Alberta Superintendents Association News**

With August in Alberta comes the final AGSA meeting of the year at the Lynx Ridge Golf Club with host superintendent, Shawn Marjoram. This event happens to be the provincial superintendent's championship. The low net and low gross scores win a trip to the CGSA FFD National Superintendents Championship.

A congratulatory note must go out to the CGSA Superintendent of the Year, Mr. Keith Blayney from the Edmonton Petroleum Golf & C.C.

**Alberta Turf Trends**

The nice weather has continued for the most part since the last GreenMatter update. But wow has the province experienced some wild weather from tornados touching down, hail the size of golf balls to heavy rains from 1" to 5" lasting from 20 minutes to all day. It would be fair to report that even the wild weather events caused minor interruption to rounds played.

An exciting time for CGSA member Ken Mackenzie, AGS along with the entire Canyon Meadows team with hosting the Senior PGA Shaw Classic event. James Beebe was on hand to recognize Ken and his team for the role they play in hosting such events. Congrats Ken.

**CGSA Redesign Update**

At the time of writing this report, James Beebe and I have conducted two focus groups with superintendents in the Calgary area. Also lined up is a focus group with Calgary assistant superintendents. James is finalizing times for Edmonton and central area superintendents and equipment managers. These sessions have provided great feedback on many different topics related to the national association. It has been an exciting process to provide some knowledge to the attendees at these sessions and it's been more exciting to hear what people have to say about this knowledge and how the CGSA is perceived, on what's working and what's not and what could be. A friendly reminder to please fill out the survey that was sent out regarding the redesign of the CGSA. As much information that can be gathered will help steer the ship in the right direction going forward and for the long term.