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The past couple of months have been a tease for many golfers and Superintendents weather wise. Finally with the majority of snow melted in Central and Southern Manitoba, many courses from Winnipeg and South are preparing to open within the next few days.

With the mild winter we had for most regions of the province, many courses have mentioned that the snow mold pressure was at its highest. You could definitely see the distinct line of where you sprayed your winter fungicides this spring. Many supers that I have talked with are happy with the way their courses came out of winter and are hoping for some warmer temperatures to get the turf growing.

In MGSA news, Chris Unrau from the Sandhill Golf & Country Club in Carberry Manitoba has become the newest member to join the Board of Directors after Jeff Anderson had stepped down. The MGSA has all the dates and courses set for their monthly meetings. The first meeting will be held at the Players Course with host Superintendent Garth Recksiedler. Before hitting the links a round table discussion will be held to get some valued input from our membership on some key topics that have been discussed at a board level. These topics include some By-Law questions, conference speaker ideas and a combined dues notice similar to what the BCGSA has in place now.

I hope everyone has a great start to the season and I look forward seeing many of you at the FFD at Royal Montreal Golf Club October 3-4th 2016. If you haven't registered yet make sure to do so quickly as there are limited spaces available.