

# Turf Talk

## The Villages® Community Development Districts Executive Golf

After a long summer, fall is finally here. In The Villages, that means cooler weather, shorter days, and busier golf courses! Golf maintenance teams are working hard to get the courses ready for the cold weather and increased play. Over the last month, cool season grass seed has been dropped on the tee boxes to hold up to the increased traffic as well as the cold days.

Pinestraw is also going down in all of the landscape beds to give them a fresh look for the winter. Pinestraw is a great mulch for our trees and landscape areas because as it starts to decay, it releases nutrients into the soil that the plants can absorb and continue to thrive.

We encourage those enjoying the facilities this winter to assist us in our endeavors of helping fellow golfers experience the high quality conditions you enjoy by following some simple maintenance practices like “Good Golf Etiquette” and playing “Ready Golf.”

The Mira Mesa revitalization process is still going strong and the course is really taking shape! Greens, tees and fairways are currently growing in and the last of the sod and landscape will be going down in the coming weeks. Thank you for your patience during this time — we promise the course will be worth the wait!

### Fun Fact:

It takes more than 52,000 bales a year to cover our 36 golf courses!



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Resident golfers can contribute to the success of the courses as well. Repairing ball marks impacts our maintenance goals while also enhancing the overall golfing experience for fellow golfers!