## **555 GOLF ACADEMY** 'WHERE PASSION MEETS PERFORMANCE'

## **PUTTING DRILLS**

## SAND GREENS FIRST

Our very busy home course is very well tended! The greens are bladed once a month and punched on about ninety-day intervals or less. After they are 'Rough Treated', they are lightly sanded with a commercial tractor drawn power broadcaster. You will have seen a neighbour fertilize his lawn or may have done your own from time to time using a device that slings the seed, fertilizer or sand when you turn the handle? This commercial equipment works on the same mechanical principle. It broadcasts sand about ten to fifteen feet each side of the rotating slinger wheel. Thus the swath is about 30 feet or ten pace wide and very uniform.

The sand really just lightly dusts the **'Putting Surface'**. Then another greens keeping staff drags chain link followed by a heavy range matt across or around the green to brush the grains into the grass. After that, the sprinkler water it turned on and that washes the sand even further into the grain of the grass. Shortly thereafter we sand and drag a second time. This process makes the 'Putting Surface' very smooth and uniform in performance.

Here is the point other than to tell you about agronomy at its finest!

Just after the 'Sand Is Broadcast' over the entire green, the appearance it that is a closely cut lawn with a light dusting of snow. At this time you can 'Practise Your Putting' with a unique little twist! When you 'Roll The Ball', it makes a very small 'Rooster Tail' behind and thus removes the sand right underneath the ball as it rolls. This leaves a distinct green or sandless track precisely along the 'Ball Rolling Line or Path' ('BRL or BRP'). This is what we airline pilots might call Absolute Simulator Graphic Tracking' ('ASGT').

You can thus see precisely where you 'SET-UP', 'AIMED' and 'ROLLED Your Ball'. Make several 'Putts' from the same location and see if you can improve or repeat your last performance! If you have 'Putted Before The Early Morning Dew Comes Off The Green', you know what I am explaining. Not a common experience!

This is a rare but fabulous event. Don't miss the opportunity if you get it!

"Welcome Aboard!" "Enjoy The Ride!"

## SATISFACTION GUARANTEED

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