

BLAIR KIRBY

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

Qualifications

- + Extensive knowledge of all aspects related to agronomics on a golf course, including much experience at large, multi-course facilities
- + Broad tournament preparation experience, specifically numerous PGA Tour events
- + Effective in preparing and managing maintenance budget that optimizes course conditions and cost efficiency
- + Considerable participation in construction, featuring both renovation and new course construction
- + Seasoned in the maintenance of many key grass species including Bentgrass, Kikuyu, Fescue, Perennial Ryegrass, 419, TifSport, Celebration, Champion and TifEagle Bermuda, and Sea Dwarf Paspalum

Professional Experience

THE CLUB AT ADMIRALS COVE
DIRECTOR OF AGRONOMY
EAST COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

JUPITER, FLORIDA
2015 - PRESENT
2010 - 2015

The Club at Admirals Cove offers first class facilities ranging from 45 holes of championship golf. Designed by Robert Von Hagge and Kipp Shulties, a deep water marina, tennis courts, luxurious spa & salon and full service fitness center. It is an award winning Platinum Private Club.

- + Direct and supervise all operations for large and complex operation with great success; provide innovative and practical ideas for capital improvements
- + Deliver consistent, quality playing surfaces through the superb conditioning of the golf course on a daily basis
- + Develop and continually improve the monitoring and scheduling of irrigation to ensure efficient water use, only providing water where required
- + Prepare a championship course for major club events and annual qualifying for 1st stage of US Open
- + Completed renovation of the 27 holes of the Golf Village course: converted the tee, fairway, approach and rough playing surfaces to Celebration, installed new USGA greens with Tif Eagle, New RainBird IC irrigation system installed with HDPE, Imported 68,000 cu yards of dirt for elevation, converted the tee, fairway, approach and rough playing surfaces to Celebration

PGA NATIONAL RESORT AND SPA
CHAMPION COURSE GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

PALM BEACH GARDENS, FLORIDA
AUGUST 2007 - OCTOBER 2010

Originally designed by Tom and George Fazio for major tournament play, The Champion course at PGA National Resort & Spa was redesigned by Jack Nicklaus in 1990 and now hosts the Honda Classic each March on the PGA Tour.

- + Directed and supervised all operations for the Champion Course
- + Actively coordinated with PGA Tour officials to ready the course for major PGA events
- + Integral in staff management for the course; interphased with over 90 total employees

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THE CLUB AT TWIN EAGLES

ASSISTANT GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT
EDUCATIONAL INTERNSHIP

NAPLES, FLORIDA

NOVEMBER 2003 - AUGUST 2007
OCTOBER 2002 - NOVEMBER 2003

Golfing community that features two courses, Talon and Aerie, designed by Jack Nicklaus and Gary Player, respectively. Twin Eagles has played host to a number of professional tournaments including the ACE Group Classic, a PGA Champions Tour event.

- + Performed as Acting Golf Course Superintendent during two seasons, 2004 and 2006, which in 2006 included managing the construction of the new Aerie course
- + Directly involved with the construction and grow-in of the Aerie course, including the grow-in of Sea Dwarf Paspalum
- + Prepared the course and participated in tournament conditioning for the ACE Group Classic event of the PGA Champions Tour

COG HILL GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

EDUCATIONAL INTERNSHIP

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

APRIL 2002 - OCTOBER 2002

NAROOMA GOLF CLUB

GREENKEEPER

NAROOMA, AUSTRALIA

JANUARY 1996 - JANUARY 2001

Education

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURE PROGRAM

COLUMBUS, OHIO

2002 - 2003

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION

AWARDED BACHELOR OF SCIENCE EQUIVALENT

UNITED STATES

2002

ILLAWARRA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN MANAGEMENT

N.S.W., AUSTRALIA

1997

CANBERRA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

CERTIFICATE III IN HORTICULTURE (TURF)

A.C.T., AUSTRALIA

1996

Professional Associations

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

Member since 2002

FLORIDA GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION

Member since 2004

PALM BEACH GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION

Member since 2007

UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION

Member since 2004

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