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## **BIRNAMWOOD SCORES BIG WITH GOLFERS AGAIN THIS YEAR**

*Golf Course Officially Closed for Season*

Results from an annual survey show that 100 percent of golfers ranked staff friendliness, cleanliness of the clubhouse and overall playing conditions at Birnamwood as “excellent” or “good” — proof positive that the care and work that goes into Birnamwood is seen and experienced by all.

Every year around November, Minnesota golfers have to put away their clubs and courses close for the season. That time is here, and Birnamwood Golf Course has officially closed and begun preparing for winter. Birnamwood would like to thank all of its patrons for a successful 2014 season.

### **2014 Birnamwood Golf Course Recap**

Birnamwood was off to a great start in 2014, opening 19 days earlier than last year. However, in June, a statewide average of 8.09 inches of rain set a new record for the wettest month in the history of Minnesota. Burnsville recorded a total of 16.37 inches of rain throughout June, July and August.

The summer rains may have dampened some golf outings, but were great for the perennial planting projects at the fifth and ninth tee, and at the new cart parking area near the clubhouse. Other 2014 course improvements included:

- Drainage projects on the first and fourth greens
- Rebuilding the eighth tee box
- New retaining wall on the sixth tee box

Environmentally friendly maintenance practices continued throughout the year along with educational presentations to local groups/organizations about Birnamwood’s Audubon International certification. Success of this program can be seen in the presence of butterflies, insects, small animals and “Birnie” (the red-tailed hawk that has become a regular visitor to the course). Next year, interpretive signs will be added to the tee boxes to provide information on enhancements and practices, which not only qualify the course for continued certification, but also enhance the course’s natural beauty.

Want to get ahead of the game for the 2015 season? If so, annual passes are already available for purchase.

To purchase passes call 952-641-1374 or email [dan.hill@ci.burnsville.mn.us](mailto:dan.hill@ci.burnsville.mn.us). For more information about Birnamwood Golf Course visit [www.birnamwoodgolfcourse.com](http://www.birnamwoodgolfcourse.com)

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